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About Ryan

A dynamic litigator, Ryan represents Fortune 500 companies, insurers, and their insureds in bodily injury and property damage lawsuits. He defends clients in cases involving wrongful death, catastrophic bodily injury, and property damage arising from automobile, premises, product, and general liability claims, as well as uninsured and underinsured motorist claims, and insurance contract disputes.

He also pursues subrogation claims on behalf of insurers, litigating large-loss property damage cases involving residential and commercial buildings affected by fire, water intrusion, faulty mechanical equipment, and defective products.

In every matter, Ryan develops and executes strategies aimed at achieving the best possible outcome for his clients.

Ryan's Affiliations

- The Florida Bar

Areas of Focus

Industries: Construction; Insurance; Transportation & Mobility

Services: Complex Tort & General Casualty; Litigation & Trial

Experience

- Obtained summary judgment in favor of an individual alleged to have negligently operated his motor vehicle and caused injury to his passenger while traveling to a work event.
- Persuaded a prominent Fort Lauderdale bodily injury law firm to dismiss an uninsured motorist claim brought against an insurer for lack of coverage under the policy.
- Secured a complete defense verdict in a bodily injury case involving multiple surgeries and admitted liability based upon lack of causation.
- Resolved a subrogation claim on behalf of a major insurer for a pest control company's liability policy limits. The company damaged a house located in a "historic district" in West Palm Beach, Florida.
- Obtained a favorable settlement in a wrongful death lawsuit alleging the defendant negligently operated his motor vehicle in the express lanes of I-95, causing it to strike the vehicle driven by the decedent.

Credentials

Education

University of Miami School of Law, JD

University of Florida, BS

Bar Admissions

Florida

Court Admissions

US District Court for the Middle District of Florida

US District Court for the Southern District of Florida

Interests

Did you know...

Ryan has traveled to 23 states and 22 countries. His ideal vacation now involves exploring a new city with his wife and two sons, taking in the sights, trying local food, and attending a sports event.