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Ryan has been practicing law in Texas since 2003 and became Board Certified in Family Law by the Texas Board of Legal Specialization in 2012.

Ryan graduated from Baylor University in 1998 with degrees in Management Information Systems and International Business. He graduated law school in 2002 from Texas Wesleyan University School of Law (now Texas A&M University) and also attained a Master of Laws in Taxation from Southern Methodist University in 2005.

He has handled family law matters throughout Texas and is a fierce advocate for clients. He also represents clients in probate, guardianship, real estate and tax matters. His practice encompasses contested and uncontested matters, and those that are straight forward and simple to those that are more complex. His cases regularly involve substantial assets, and high net-worth clients.

With every case, Ryan seeks to understand and identify the issues to reach fair solutions. He is known for his advocacy in and out of the courtroom and treating clients with honesty, respect, empathy and compassion.

Ryan was named a Texas Rising Star from 2011-2014 and a Texas Super Lawyer (2015-2018, 2021-2025). He is a fellow of the National Association of Distinguished Counsel and a National Trial Lawyer Top 40-under-40.

PRINCIPAL PRACTICE AREAS

- Family Law
- Fiduciary Litigation
- Real Estate
- Trusts & Estates
- Tax

EDUCATION

- Texas A&M University School of Law, J. D., 2002
- Southern Methodist University, Master of Laws, Taxation, 2005

- Baylor University, B.B.A., 1998

EXPERIENCE

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BAR ADMISSIONS & CERTIFICATIONS

- State Bar of Texas, 2003
- United States Tax Court, 2003
- U.S. District Court for the Eastern and Northern Districts of Texas

PROFESSIONAL & COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

- Texas State Bar
- Texas Association of Family Law Specialists
- Board Certified – Family Law, Texas
- Texas Monthly Super Lawyer Rising Star 2011-2013
- Texas Monthly Super Lawyer 2014-2018, 2021-2025
- National Academy of Family Lawyers – National Ranked Top 10 Attorney Award 2016
- American Institute of Family Law Attorneys – 10 Best Attorneys in Texas – 2015-2017, 2019
- National Trial Lawyers Top 40 Under 40 – 2014
- Voted the best Family Law Attorney in McKinney for 2013 by the readers of the McKinney Courier Newspaper.

Professional Associations and Memberships:

- Board Certified by the Texas Board of Legal Specialization – Family Law, 2012

- State Bar of Texas, Member
- Texas Academy of Family Law Professionals, Member
- Dallas Bar Association, Member
- Collin County Bar Association, Member
- Planning & Zoning Committee, Prosper, Texas, 2004 – 2005

PUBLICATIONS & PRESENTATIONS

- Presenter: “Big City vs. Small City Divorce,” State Bar of Texas Family Law Section Pro Bono Seminar, June 6, 2025 (Midland, Texas)
- Co-Author: “Mastering the Art of Evidence,” American Academy of Matrimonial Lawyers National Family Law Conference, May 16, 2025 (Dallas, Texas)
- Co-Author: “Top 10 Mistakes Lawyers Make with MHPs,” State Bar of Texas Innovations Course, May 1, 2025 (San Antonio, Texas)
- Presenter: “Big City vs. Small City Divorce,” State Bar of Texas Family Law Section Pro Bono Seminar, May 1, 2025 (Tyler, Texas)
- Keeping up with Changing Practices, Laws and Strategies in Texas Family Law, Aspatore Books, Inside the Minds: Strategies for Family Law in Texas, 2011
- “The UDRP is an International Scam, Domain Names”