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RYAN BOLAND

Principal, Philadelphia

PRACTICE AREAS

- Commercial Litigation
- Restrictive Covenants and Trade Secret Protection

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

- Philadelphia Bar Association, Investigative Division of Commission on Judicial Selection and Retention
- IRS Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA), Volunteer

PRACTICE FOCUS

Ryan Boland is a principal attorney who represents companies and individuals in the areas of complex commercial litigation, corporate litigation, real estate litigation and zoning law. He has extensive experience in litigation involving unfair competition and employment litigation (including prosecuting and defending restrictive covenants).

Ryan represents companies in diverse industries, including real estate, medical, manufacturing and legal. He also serves as outside general counsel to owner-managed businesses, including helping companies grow from one-person start-ups to having 100+ employees and eight figures per year in revenue.

Additionally, Ryan represents real estate developers with their real estate and corporate needs. He also handles intellectual property law cases, including preparing, filing and prosecuting federal trademark applications and arbitrating Uniform Domain-Name Dispute Resolution Policy (UDRP) disputes.

Ryan has volunteered through Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA), where he assisted low-income individuals with preparing income tax returns.

Ryan has practiced law for over fifteen years, four of which were spent as an associate with a large national law firm practicing commercial litigation, banking law, class actions and professional liability. He also spent five years practicing at a Philadelphia commercial litigation and boutique law firm.

While pursuing his J.D. from The Pennsylvania State University, Dickinson School of Law, Ryan served as a law clerk to the Honorable Kevin A. Hess in the Cumberland County Court of Common Pleas. After graduating, he was a law clerk to the Honorable Arnold L. New in the Philadelphia County Court of Common Pleas.

REPRESENTATIVE MATTERS

- Represented multi-state commercial and industrial HVAC company in the company litigation filed by a competitor who lost HVAC territory and obtained dismissal of nearly every claim at the summary judgment stage
- Represented a pharmaceutical company in litigation against a contract manufacturer involving failure to obtain cGMP approval of pharmaceuticals
- Represented private educational provider in breach of contract and fraud litigation against the school district
- Represented developers, Registered Community Organizations, and neighbors before the Philadelphia Zoning Board of Adjustment (ZBA) and on appeal
- Represented business owners in hearings and appeals before various city, county, state, and federal administrative agencies
- Represented commercial and residential property owners in real estate tax appeals
- Represented a financial institution in defending unfair competition and trade secrets claims
- Represented lenders and borrowers in the workout and recovery phases of multi-million-dollar commercial financing transactions
- Represented law firms in online defamation claims against former employees, involving defamatory
 postings on google.com, facebook.com, yelp.com, and AVVO.com, including unmasking online
 defamers cowardly hiding behind VPNs
- Represented medical providers, including physicians, home care, and pharmacists, in litigation with their practices and against the country's largest insurance companies
- Defended claims for failure to disclose in connection with sales of real estate
- Represented financial institution in the sale of a failed large condominium complex
- Represented financial institution in the prosecution of fraud and breach of contract claims against one of the world's largest oil conglomerates and obtained successful resolution of claims
- Defended wage and hour collective action claims asserted against a Norwegian company.
- Defeated a petition for a preliminary injunction seeking the enforcement of a non-compete and non-solicitation clause and obtained dismissal of the complaint
- Obtained a temporary restraining order on behalf of a franchisor enforcing a non-compete and non-solicitation clause

- Obtained voluntary dismissal of a securities fraud action against a broker
- Successfully obtained voluntary dismissal of fraud and unjust enrichment claims against a financial institution
- Represented individuals in litigation involving asset purchase agreements
- Defended the founder of a company in litigation filed by a venture capital firm that purchased the business and tried to remove the founder from the board of directors
- Successfully executed on and obtained title to commercial and residential real property to enforce judgments on behalf of successful litigants

Recent Published Appellate Opinions

- Obtained affirmance of trial court opinion granting partial summary judgment in mandamus and for accounting and money damages *NHS Youth Servs., Inc. v. Shamokin Area Sch. Dist.,* 272 A.2d. 922 (Pa. Commw. Ct. 2022)
- Obtained reversal of trial court and Philadelphia Zoning Board of Adjustment of developer's dimensional zoning variance involving ten parcels - 4th & Bainbridge Assocs. v. Zoning Bd. of Adjustment, 238 A.3d 550 (Pa. Commw. Ct. 2020)

RECOGNITIONS

- Rising Star, Super Lawyers Pennsylvania, 2016 and 2018-2021
- Appointed by the chancellor of the Philadelphia Bar Association to serve as a member of the Investigative Division of the Association's Commission on Judicial Selection and Retention.

EDUCATION

- The Pennsylvania State University, Dickinson School of Law, J.D.
- Franklin & Marshall College, B.A.

ADMISSIONS

- Pennsylvania
- New Jersey
- United States Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit
- United States District Court for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania
- United States District Court for the District of New Jersey
- United States District Court for the Western District of Michigan
- Arizona (pro hac vice)

AWARDS