



## RYAN W. COOKE

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**Ryan Cooke is a commercial trial lawyer who represents sophisticated clients in complex civil disputes across a range of industries and practice areas. When clients face their most difficult, high-stakes disputes, they depend on Ryan for his advocacy in the courtroom and counsel at every turn. He is passionate about telling the stories of his clients—both plaintiffs and defendants—to judges and juries.**

### EDUCATION

Georgetown University Law Center, J.D., 2016, *magna cum laude*, Order of the Coif, Georgetown Law Journal, Executive Notes Editor

University of Richmond, B.A., 2013, Philosophy, Politics, Economics, and Law

### GOVERNMENT SERVICE

Law Clerk to The Honorable John M. Rogers, U.S. Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit

Judicial Intern to the Honorable Richard J. Leon, U.S. District Court for the District of Columbia

Legal Intern, Department of Justice, Office of International Affairs

### OTHER EXPERIENCE

Davis Polk & Wardwell LLP, Litigation Associate

### ADMISSIONS

Colorado  
New York

### HIGHLIGHTS

- Won a jury verdict for DISH Wireless in a 9-figure contract dispute.
- Representing a leading U.S. telecom provider in a multibillion-dollar commercial dispute.
- As lead litigation counsel, assisted a healthcare technology company navigate and resolve an existential threat before litigation, resulting in a \$35+ million business transaction.
- Successfully represented a major U.S. wireless carrier in confidential arbitration proceedings to secure its rights in blockchain related intellectual property. Client was awarded its attorney fees.
- Represented a major European telecom provider in successfully obtaining discovery under Section 1782 for use in a foreign proceeding.
- Obtained a favorable settlement for a major North American resort owner and operator in multiple consumer class actions seeking refunds following the company's closure of its ski resorts during the COVID-19 pandemic.
- Obtained immediate relief for Michelin in a trade secrets misappropriation case against a former employee and competitor in federal court in South Carolina.

### INDUSTRIES

- Telecommunications
- Financial Services
- Professional Services
- Consumer Products & Services
- Cannabis

### PRACTICE AREAS

- Commercial Litigation
- Intellectual Property
- Appellate
- Antitrust & Competition
- Professional Liability
- Employment
- Investigations & Compliance

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## BIOGRAPHY

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Ryan has represented clients in civil and white collar matters, including complex commercial and contractual disputes, intellectual property fights, professional liability litigation, and securities and other class actions. Prior to joining WTO, Ryan was a litigation associate at a preeminent law firm in New York City.

## CASES

- Won a jury verdict for DISH Wireless in a cell tower contract dispute worth hundreds of millions of dollars.
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- Obtained favorable settlement for a nation-leading cable operator in a high-stakes and high-profile antitrust dispute brought by a regional content provider.
- Represented an international law firm in connection with legal-malpractice and breach-of-fiduciary-duty claims arising out of the firm's work on a real estate deal.
- Represented an Am Law 50 law firm in connection with legal-malpractice and fraud claims arising out of the firm's work on a complex tax matter.

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- Represented the board of directors of a bankrupt alternative energy company in connection with its reorganization and defense of several securities, breach-of-fiduciary-duty, and whistleblower claims.
- Represented a real estate company pre-suit in connection with an ongoing contractual dispute arising out of a major New York City development project.
- Authored a federal *habeas* petition for an incarcerated pro bono client asserting claims of ineffective assistance of counsel.
- Assisted U.S. military veterans in service-connected disability claims before the VA.
- Assisted in briefing and oral argument prep as a student attorney in a federal habeas appeal before the full panel of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit.

## BAR & COURT ADMISSIONS

- Colorado  
New York  
U.S. Court of Appeals, 6th Circuit  
U.S. District Court, D. Colorado  
U.S. District Court, S.D. New York

## LEGAL MEMBERSHIPS, ACTIVITIES & HONORS

- Colorado Super Lawyers  
"Rising Star" - Business Litigation, 2022-2024  
The Best Lawyers in America  
Ones to Watch - Commercial Litigation, 2023-2024  
International Academy of Trial Lawyers  
2016 Student Advocacy Award  
Empire State Counsel  
2017 Honoree

## ARTICLES & PRESENTATIONS

### Articles

- *Down with Legislative-Standing Myopia: Why Congressional Suits to Police the Separation of Powers Fail Under Article I*, 105 Geo. L.J. 1055, (2017).

## PERSONAL INTERESTS

- Reading, boxing, and Liverpool Football Club