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BIOGRAPHY

Ryan Cooke represents sophisticated clients in complex civil disputes across a range of industries and practice areas. Prior to joining WTO, he worked as a litigation associate at a prominent international law firm in New York City, where he represented clients in civil and white collar matters, including business transactions, complex commercial and contractual disputes, professional liability litigation, and securities actions.

Ryan has developed valuable experience, from drafting pleadings and motions to preparing depositions, expert witnesses, and oral arguments. He served as a judicial law clerk to the Honorable John M. Rogers of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit. He maintains an active pro bono practice and was honored by the New York Bar for more than 50 hours of pro bono counsel in 2017.

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

Legal Intern, Department of Justice, Office of International Affairs

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

OTHER EXPERIENCE

Davis Polk & Wardwell LLP, Litigation Associate

ADMISSIONS

New York
Colorado

PRACTICE AREAS

- Commercial Litigation
- Appellate
- Professional Liability
- Employment
- Investigations & Compliance
- COVID-19

CASES

- Representing 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.
- 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.

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

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