



## Ryan N. Burns

### Principal

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Clients call on Ryan for counsel on broad scope of legal and business issues.

Ryan represents businesses and individuals in state, federal and international litigation. He handles all manner of contractual disputes, whether related to business/partnership issues, real estate, or intellectual property. He frequently advises clients with franchise-based businesses, whether franchisee or franchisor. He also has experience with class action products and director liability issues, and broker-dealer and securities arbitrations. Ryan retains a strong familiarity with corporate and transactional issues from his earliest days in practice.

A growing proportion of Ryan's work is in the California appellate law arena. He has authored numerous briefs relating to complex appellate legal issues and successfully argued before the Second and Fourth Appellate Districts.

Prior to joining Much, Ryan managed a business litigation firm with cofounder Isaac Zfaty. Their firm, Zfaty Burns, consolidated with Much in July 2020.

## Education

University of California, Hastings, College of the Law  
J.D., 2001

University of California, Los Angeles  
B.A., 1998

## Bar Admissions

California

## Court Admissions

U.S. District Court for the Central District of California

U.S. District Court for the Southern District of California

U.S. District Court for the Northern District of California

## Professional Organizations

- Orange County Bar Association

## Services

Litigation & Dispute Resolution

Business & Finance

Real Estate

Intellectual Property & Technology

## Areas of Focus

Appellate

Business Disputes

Contract Enforcement & Defense

Business Law & Structuring

Securities Litigation

Intellectual Property Litigation

Product Liability Litigation