



## Robert E. Ryan

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Robert E. Ryan is Managing Partner of the Professional Liability Practice Group and a Senior Litigator at Connell Foley LLP. A four-time Certified Civil Trial Attorney as certified by the Supreme Court of New Jersey, Mr. Ryan has dedicated his professional practice for over 28 years to the litigation and trial of substantial matters.

His practice places particular emphasis on the representation of architects, engineers, attorneys and physicians in major professional malpractice litigation. In this regard, he has served as lead counsel in the representation of regional, national and international professional firms in significant litigation matters venued in both the State and Federal Courts. He has also represented parties in significant product liability litigation as well as large scale construction defect actions in all forums.

Mr. Ryan has litigated a wide variety of substantial and complex matters, including professional liability, general liability, product liability, catastrophic construction accidents, wrongful death, design and construction-related property damage and economic loss actions, declaratory judgments and environmental law matters in the State and Federal Courts. Furthermore, he has extensive experience in the representation of parties in mediation and other alternative dispute resolution forums. Mr. Ryan is available to serve as Mediator in substantial matters, particularly professional liability and product liability matters.

### Professional Activities

- Certified Civil Trial Attorney (1988, 1995, 2002, 2008).
- Member, Committee on Professional Malpractice Insurance – New Jersey State Bar Association
- Member, Trial Attorneys of New Jersey
- Member, Sections on Litigation, Professional Liability, Product Liability and Insurance Law – American Bar Association
- Member, Professional Liability Underwriting Society
- Member, Professional Liability Section – Defense Research Institute
- Member, Professional Liability Section – USLAW Organization
- Allied Member, New Jersey Society of Architects
- Continuing Education System Lecturer, The American Institute of Architects, Professional Liability and Risk Management
- Former Member, Health and Hospital Law Committee, Subcommittee on Education – New Jersey State Bar Association
- Former Member, New Jersey Supreme Court District VC Ethics Committee

### Representative Experience

Among his notable engagements, Mr. Ryan has provided representation to professionals in litigation and ADR forums:

- Professional malpractice litigation in State and Federal Courts in defense of international,

### Practice Areas:

Professional Liability  
Product Liability and Tort Law  
Business Litigation  
Construction Law  
Crisis Management and Catastrophic Loss  
Mass Tort and Toxic Tort Litigation  
Alternative Dispute Resolution  
Insurance Law

### Admitted to Practice:

State of New Jersey  
United States District Court for the District of New Jersey  
United States Supreme Court

### Education:

Saint Peter's College (B.A., History, 1976)  
Seton Hall University (J.D., *cum laude*, 1979)

### Affiliations:

American Bar Association  
New Jersey State Bar Association

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national and regional professional firms, including law firms, architectural firms and engineering firms;

- Professional malpractice litigation arising from the design and construction of a major wastewater treatment facility;
- Representation of attorneys in a wide range of malpractice actions involving commercial real estate transactions;
- Representation of physicians and hospital institutions in substantial medical malpractice matters;
- Professional malpractice litigation regarding design and contract administration of a large-scale centrifuge project at a major wastewater treatment facility;
- Professional malpractice litigation involving design and construction projects for several major bridges and roadways in the State of New Jersey;
- Professional malpractice litigation involving design and construction projects for several major bridges and roadways in the State of New Jersey;
- Substantial litigation involving alleged architectural, engineering and surveying errors in major New Jersey real estate developments;
- Substantial litigation arising from allegations of defective construction materials used in large condominium development and construction projects;
- Substantial litigation arising from allegations of security breaches at commercial establishments; and
- Litigation involving defective design and manufacture of products, including automobiles, athletic equipment, and product containers.

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