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Ryan Wedell is a senior associate in the Entertainment, Technology and Advertising Practice Group in the firm's Century City office.

Areas of Practice

Ryan's practice focuses on transactional entertainment matters in connection with television, film and new media content, including deep expertise in the following areas: development and production of scripted television; Hollywood guild regulations; independent film finance; podcasts and audio series; advertiser/branded content; co-development and co-production models.

Ryan began his career as production counsel for the hit television series *Yellowstone*, and since then has become a go-to production counsel for a number of successful projects, including: *The Summer I Turned Pretty*, *Tiger King*, *Mayor of Kingstown*, *George & Tammy*, *Y1883*, *Mosquito Coast*, *The Power*, *Pachinko*, *Dickinson*, *Little Wing*.

Ryan's development and production expertise is buttressed by his strong command over the SAG-AFTRA, WGA and DGA Agreements, including the recently negotiated 2023 Agreements as well as the SAG-AFTRA Commercials Contract. From signatory applications to legal/commercial guidance on complicated guild rules, Ryan advises producers on all aspects of the major Hollywood guilds. Ryan's penchant for labor issues also extends to guidance on the engagement of minors in various jurisdictions across the United States.

Ryan rounds out his practice with extensive experience in the following areas: (i) advising debt and equity financiers in connection with bridge and production loans for independent films throughout the world; (ii) advising brands and advertisers in connection with the creation of scripted and unscripted content.

Ryan is passionate about pro bono work and currently serves as the Chair of the Associate Advisory Board for Legal Aid Foundation of Los Angeles.

Honors

"Hollywood's New Leaders," *Variety*, 2023

Events

3rd Annual Ad Law Symposium
Webinar, 05.16.2023

Hollywood and the Guilds
Webinar, 07.25.2022

Podcasts & Webinars

Third Annual Ad Law Symposium
05.16.2023

Practices

Entertainment, Technology and Advertising

Industries

Entertainment, Technology and Advertising

Education

J.D., University of California, Los Angeles, 2017
B.A., University of California, Berkeley, 2012, High Distinction

Admissions

California