



ADVENT

An Intellectual Property Law Firm

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OVERVIEW

Ryan is a Patent Attorney whose practice spans all areas of Intellectual Property, Innovation and Technology. Ryan started his practice on the West Coast and is a founding partner of Advent. Shortly after Advent's formation, Ryan helped manage Advent to become one of the largest intellectual property law firms in Nebraska. Along with the Midwest, a few markets where Ryan helped develop Advent's brand include Silicon Valley, Las Vegas, Oregon, Washington, New York, Canada, and London.

Ryan's practice is principally devoted to management, procurement and protection of intellectual property rights for some of the largest companies in the world. Services associated with Ryan's practice include patent and trademark drafting, US and international patent and trademark prosecution, technology/trademark searching, technology/trademark monitoring, freedom to operate analysis, due diligence, IP portfolio planning and management, IP licenses and agreements, and intellectual property support for dispute resolution.

Ryan services clients in a wide variety of technology areas. Ryan is currently managing a range of clients from independent businesses to national and international Fortune 500 companies. Ryan has been published in several national and local legal journals. He has spoken at multiple intellectual property seminars and he is an inventor on around 30 patents and patent applications. Ryan is a prior adjunct professor of intellectual property law at Creighton Law School. Ryan is also a Great Plains Super Lawyer in the area of Intellectual Property.

In addition to Ryan's legal practice, he sits on the boards of several companies, is the General Partner of a commercial real estate development company, is a partner in a technology development company that owns several patents and is actively involved with several community foundations and organizations.

EXPERIENCE

ADVENT, LLP › Owner/Partner

ADVENT, LLP is a law firm specializing in intellectual property, innovation, and technology law. (2010 – Present)

RESER Ventures, LLC → President

Property holding and development company. RESER Ventures hold interests in office, residential, and industrial development properties. (2013 – Present)

TEAN Development – General Partner – Office Development

TEAN development is the general partner of Burke Street Ventures which owns and developed The Advent Building at 17838 Burke St, Omaha, NE 68118. (2015 - Present)

ALTECH Business Park – Board of Directors and Trustee

ALTECH Business Park is a 100-acre mixed-use development that includes commercial, office, and industrial space. (2011- Present)

GRACE Angling Technologies – Manager

Technology development and monetization company that held over 20 patents and patent applications having Ryan Grace and Ted Grace as inventors. Grace Angling Technologies, LLC sold its portfolio to Garmin in one of the largest patent transactions in the marine electronics field. (2015 – 2017)

Merchant & Gould – Partner

Ryan began his partnership with Merchant & Gould shortly after moving from the firm's Seattle Office. He developed a business plan and market analysis for moving Merchant's brand into the Omaha market. Shortly after moving, Ryan opened a regional office for Merchant, grew the office by several attorneys and expanded his client base to include several companies from the region. (2007 – 2010)

LICENSES

- » United States Patent and Trademark Office, Registered Patent Attorney, No. 52,956, Admitted January 28, 2003
- » State Bar of Nebraska, Bar No. 22,656, Admitted September 19, 2003
- » U.S. Supreme Court of the State of Nebraska, 2003
- » U.S. District Court for the District of Nebraska, 2003
- » U.S. Court of Appeals, Eight Circuit and Federal Circuit, 2003

HONORS AND PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

- » Great Plains Super Lawyers – Intellectual Property
- » Strategic Business Partner – ConAgra Foods, Inc
- » Former Vice Chairman – Intellectual Property Law Committee
- » Former Officer - Intellectual Property Law Committee
- » Former Legislative Liaison – Intellectual Property Law Committee
- » American Intellectual Property Law Association
- » Nebraska State Bar Association

EDUCATION

Creighton University School of Law, Omaha, Nebraska

» Juris Doctor, magna cum laude, May 2003, Top 8%

University of Nebraska at Lincoln, Lincoln, Nebraska

» Bachelors of Science, Civil Engineering, May 2000

INVENTORSHIP

US Patent 8,082,100	Anchoring a fishing boat with a trolling device
US Patent 8,260,726	Transport scheduling for low microbial bulk products
US Patent 8,266,070	Transport scheduling for low microbial bulk products
US Patent 8,412,642	Transport scheduling for low microbial bulk products
US Patent 8,515,660	Storing current fishing data with an anchor point
US Patent 8,510,028	Obtaining prior fishing data of an anchor point
US Patent 8,515,661	Providing a predictive suggestion for fishing
US Patent 8,527,192	Automatically navigating an aquatic tour
US Patent 8,543,324	Anchoring a fishing boat and storing fishing data
US Patent 8,577,490	Transport scheduling for low microbial bulk products
US Patent 8,577,491	Transport scheduling for low microbial bulk products
US Patent 8,577,492	Transport scheduling for low microbial bulk products
US Patent 8,831,868	Data encoded fishing lure
US Patent 9,162,743	Automated control of a trolling device by marine electronic computer
US Patent 9,394,040	Automated control of a trolling device during a tour
US Patent 9,266,589	Collecting and crowd sourcing sonar map data of a lake
US Patent 9,463,860	Crowd sourcing fishing activity
US Patent 9,446,831	Crowd sourcing fishing activity
US Patent 9,505,477	Collecting and crowd sourcing sonar map data of a lake
US Patent 9,522,721	Obtaining a predictive suggestion based on weather
US Patent 9,758,222	Controlling a trolling device to follow a water depth
US Patent 9,708,042	Collecting and crowd sourcing sonar map data of a lake
US Patent 9,944,365	Using a watch device to control the marine computer and trolling device
US Patent 10,155,602	Magnetron control system and associated methodology
US Patent 10,322,780	Controlling a trolling device for entry and exit of boat
US Design 673031	Fence Clip
CA Patent 2,641,186	Watercraft automation and aquatic effort data utilization
CA Patent 2,952,593	Watercraft automation and aquatic effort data utilization
MX Patent 299,946	Watercraft automation and aquatic effort data utilization

PROFESSORSHIP

Creighton University School of Law

FAMILY COMMUNITY
INVOLVEMENT

Ambassadors, Omaha, Nebraska
» Member

Aksarben Men's Floor Committee,
Omaha, Nebraska
» Member emeritus

Aksarben Foundation, Omaha, Nebraska
» Ball Committee

Creighton Law School, Omaha, Nebraska
» Legal Mentorship Program emeritus

Fire Ridge Elementary, Omaha Nebraska
» Chair, Committee and Coach emeritus

Fontenelle Forest, Omaha Nebraska
» Community Support

The Garage by Aviture, Omaha, Nebraska
» Start-up Mentor Program emeritus

Lauritzen Gardens, Omaha, Nebraska
» Host

Memories for Kids, Omaha, Nebraska
» Executive, Chair and Sponsor emeritus

Nebraska Athletic Foundation, Lincoln,
Nebraska
» Directors Club

Omaha Henry Doorly Zoo, Omaha, Nebraska
» Patron

Rainbow Connection Guild,
Omaha, Nebraska
» President, Chair, Committee and Sponsor
emeritus

The Rose Theater, Omaha, Nebraska
» President, Chair, Committee and Sponsor

PUBLICATIONS

Ryan Thomas Grace, *Entrepreneurs: Get to Know Pending Design Patent Laws*, Silicon Prairie News

Ryan Thomas Grace et al., *The World of Prior Art Under the America Invents Act*, The Nebraska Lawyer

Ryan Thomas Grace, *The Race has Begun: First-to-File under the America Invents Act is Here*, Silicon Prairie News

Ryan Thomas Grace, *The Jabberwalk and the Jubjub Bird – First-to-File Under the America Invents Act*, Nebraska Lawyer Magazine

Ryan Thomas Grace, *The Jabberwalk and the Jubjub Bird – First-to-File Under the America Invents Act*, The E-Counsel Newsletter of Nebraska State Bar Association

Ryan Thomas Grace, *Patent Law Updates*, B2B – Omaha Magazine

Ryan Thomas Grace, *Shifting From the "Eureka Moment"*, Omaha World Herald

Ryan Thomas Grace, *All Inventors! The Race is About to Begin. On Your Marks! Get Set! Go...*, Nebraska Lawyer Magazine

Ryan Thomas Grace et al., *Strategies in the War against Obviousness*, IP Law 360

Ryan Thomas Grace et al., *The War Against Obviousness*, The Nebraska Lawyer

Ryan Thomas Grace et al., *Patent Experts & Claim Construction after Phillips*, Nebraska Lawyer Magazine

Ryan Thomas Grace et al., *Potholes in the Road Ahead: The Courts are Reconstructing the Road for Procuring, Marketing and Enforcing Patents*, Nebraska Lawyer Magazine

Ryan Thomas Grace, *Losing the Forest Among the Trees – Rationalizing the Doctrine of Equivalents and Prosecution History Estoppel in view of the Historical Justifications for Patent Protection*, 11 J. Intell. Prop. L. No. 2

Ryan Thomas Grace, *Note, Defining the Sprawling Arms of Conspiracy: The United States Court of Appeals for the Eighth Circuit Correctly Addressed the "Clean Breast" Doctrine as it Affects Withdrawal From a Conspiracy in United States v. Grimmer*, 35 Creighton L. Rev. 433.

SPEAKING
ENGAGEMENTS

IP Issues in International Operations, ConAgra Foods, Inc., Omaha, Nebraska.

Competitive Intelligence and Trade Secrets, ConAgra Foods, Inc., Omaha, Nebraska.

Enhancing Innovation Processes to Obtain Valuable Patent Protection, ConAgra Foods, Inc., Omaha, Nebraska.

1st Annual Entrepreneurship Conference, Omaha, Nebraska.

Ryan T. Grace et al, *Winning Strategies for Creating and Profiting from IP Assets*, Omaha, Nebraska.