



Ryan Tang

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Ryan Tang is developing a broad commercial chancery practice across Chambers' core practice areas, with a particular focus on company and insolvency, commercial litigation, intellectual property and charity law. In parallel to his English practice, he is also developing an active practice in the Middle East.

Before joining Chambers in October 2023, Ryan was an associate in Slaughter and May's competition team after completing his training contract at the firm. Ryan therefore has significant experience of large-scale commercial disputes at all stages of the litigation process.

Expertise

Commercial Litigation

Ryan is developing a broad commercial practice, with a particular emphasis on civil fraud litigation. He has particular experience of advising on asset recovery and is regularly instructed by liquidators and litigation financing companies to recover company assets for the benefit of creditors.

Recent Cases

- *Município de Mariana & Others v BHP Group Plc & BHP Group Ltd* (2026) – Following the claimants' success in a Phase 1 trial on liability issues, Ryan continues to act for c. 700,000 Brazilian claimants (including municipalities, individuals, businesses, religious institutions, indigenous peoples and utilities) in Phase 2 of the largest group action litigation in English legal history following the collapse of the Fundão dam in 2015 (instructed by Pogust Goodhead).
- *Gilbert v Broadoak Private Finance Ltd* [2026] EWHC 153 (KB); [2024] EWHC 2046 (Comm) – In a recent judgment, David

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Quest KC (sitting as a Deputy High Court Judge) provided an important analysis of the Court's jurisdiction to grant a worldwide freezing injunction under the *Chabra* jurisdiction against respondents outside of the jurisdiction. In earlier stages of these proceedings, Ryan acted for the successful claimants on a c. £4 million debt claim and obtained worldwide freezing orders against the defendant company and its controlling director. As sole counsel, he successfully obtained a non-party costs order against the defendant company's human alter ego. Led by Max Marenbon and instructed by Keidan Harrison.

- *Del Bosque Limited v Shafie & Others* (2026) – Ryan acts as sole counsel for the Second to Fourth Defendants in High Court proceedings involving breach of fiduciary duties and unlawful means conspiracy. The case is listed for trial in the High Court in Birmingham in 2026.
- *Re PTS International Solutions Ltd* (2025) – Ryan acts as sole counsel for the claimant in a claim under the Insolvency Act 1986 against the directors of an insolvent company for unauthorised payments out of the company. The case is listed for trial in the High Court in 2026.
- *Commission Recovery Limited v Marks & Clerk LLP* – Acted for the Defendants (led by **John Machell KC**) in a group litigation claim against a firm of intellectual property attorneys in a claim involving breach of fiduciary duty and secret commissions (instructed by Clifford Chance and Cooke, Young & Keidan).
- *Khan v Mahal & Others* – Ryan was instructed as sole counsel, acting for the First Defendant, in an unfair prejudice petition with a stated value of over £1 million in the High Court, and successfully varied a freezing injunction obtained against his client prior to his instruction (instructed by Keidan Harrison).

Intellectual Property

Ryan is developing a broad practice in all aspects of “soft” IP. Such cases often originate in a commercial or chancery context, but involve an intellectual property element. Ryan regularly appears as sole counsel in the UK IPO, on appeals before the Appointed Person, and in the IPEC.

Recent Cases

- *Adidas v AdiDrip* (2025) – Ryan acted for Adidas on a successful cancellation application against the trade mark registrations for “Adidrip”. Instructed by JA Kemp.
- *Gelato Gusto CPK v Gelato Gusto* (2025) – Ryan acts as sole counsel for an award-winning gelato maker against an operator of gelato stores in a passing off claim. Instructed by Knights.
- *Easygroup v Easy Live (Services)* [2024] EWHC 2282 (Ch) – Assisting **Michael Edenborough KC** and **Stephanie Wickenden** in a claim for trade mark infringement brought by easyGroup against an online auction site, where permission to appeal has recently been granted.
- *Aldi v Jellycat* (2024) – Ryan acted for Aldi in a claim for registered design infringement brought by Jellycat involving soft toys, which has been extensively reported in national media.
- *EasyGroup Limited v Nuclei Limited & Others* [2022] EWHC 901 (Ch) – Assisted **Stephanie Wickenden** in the ongoing appeal to the Court of Appeal in a claim for trade mark infringement brought by easyGroup.
- *EasyGroup Limited v EasyLive (Services) Limited & Others* [2022] EWHC 3327 (Ch) – Assisted **Michael Edenborough KC** and **Stephanie Wickenden** in successfully resisting an application for permission to appeal in a trade mark and passing off dispute.

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International

Ryan is developing a Middle East practice, focussing on the DIFC and ADGM. He is regularly instructed on commercial disputes in both jurisdictions, whether as sole counsel or as part of a larger legal team. In 2025, he assisted **Max Marenbon** in *Arabyads v Alam* [2025] ADGMCFI 0032, where the ADGM imposed a wasted costs order against his client's former lawyers for the inappropriate use of AI in drafting a Defence.

Ryan is regularly instructed by solicitors on offshore disputes in Jersey, Guernsey and the BVI, particularly in the context of company disputes and unfair prejudice petitions.

Charities

Ryan is developing a wide-ranging charity practice.

Recent Cases

- *Miller v Charity Commission and Ealing Council* (2025) – Ryan successfully defended Ealing Council, acting as trustee, in an appeal brought by two local residents against the Charity Commission's cy-pres scheme authorising the redevelopment of Ealing Victoria Hall.
- *Re Jesus Fellowship Community Trust* (2025) – Ryan acts for the trustees of a trust that is winding up the affairs of a religious organisation. Led by **Paul Adams**.
- *Re UK Afghanistan Veterans Community* (2024) – Advising the founding trustees of the first charity established to serve British veterans who served in Afghanistan between 2001 and 2021.

Appointments

- Solicitor (2021)

Publications

- *"Directors' duties: where does an executive director stand in relation to their duties while on garden leave"*, Practical Law, 30 November 2022. Co-authored with **Matthew Morrison**.
- *"Unjust enrichment, what's liquidated"*, New Law Journal, Vol. 173, January 2023. Co-authored with **Wilson Leung**.

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Education, Qualifications and Awards

- LPC (Distinction), BPP University
- GDL (Distinction), BPP University
- MA History & Politics, University of Oxford
- Joan Thirsk Prize (for the best thesis in pre-modern history), University of Oxford
- Gibbs Prize in History, University of Oxford
- Academic Scholar, Pembroke College, Oxford

BSB Registration

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