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Ryan M. Garrett is a Partner in the Tallahassee office. His practice is focused on Construction, Trucking, and Third-Party Liability Defense. Ryan has tried cases in administrative, civil, and securities arbitration, as well as administrative licensing issues, automobile negligence, contractor liability claims, construction defects, products liability, professional negligence, toxic mold, and challenges to administrative rule making by professional boards.

Ryan joined Butler in 2004, bringing with him more than a decade of investigative and hands-on experience. Ryan was part of the Hillsborough County Sheriff's Office from 1981 to 1992. There, he worked in the Homicide Unit of the Special Investigations Division and specialized in major case/inter-agency investigations, forensic anthropology, and homicide investigations, as well as sex crimes and boating accidents, before leaving to go to law school. Ryan earned his law degree from Florida State University in 1994.

Ryan is very active in the legal community. He has served as a board member and President of the Tallahassee Bar Association's Young Lawyers Section and with the Young Lawyers Section of the Defense Research Institute's Marketing Subcommittee. Ryan has also appeared as a guest speaker on trial techniques, law enforcement liability, and search and seizure. He has given lectures at Florida State University, at Barry University, and before a variety of civic organizations in Tallahassee. Ryan is state certified as an instructor in general liability and adjuster optional courses as well.

## ADMISSIONS

- FLORIDA

## EDUCATION

- SAINT LEO COLLEGE  
BACHELOR OF ARTS
- FLORIDA STATE UNIVERSITY  
DOCTOR OF JURISPRUDENCE

## MEMBERSHIPS

- DEFENSE RESEARCH INSTITUTE (DRI)

## KEY POINTS

### PRACTICES

- PRODUCT LIABILITY
- CASUALTY DEFENSE LITIGATION
- CONSTRUCTION
- PROFESSIONAL MALPRACTICE LIABILITY
- TRUCKING

- TALLAHASSEE BAR ASSOCIATION
- THE FLORIDA BAR

## **COURTS**

- FLORIDA COURTS (MIDDLE DISTRICT)
- FLORIDA COURTS (NORTHERN DISTRICT)
- FLORIDA COURTS (SOUTHERN DISTRICT)
- FLORIDA FEDERAL COURTS
- FLORIDA STATE COURTS