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Practice Focus

- Business Litigation
- Intellectual Property
- Plaintiffs and Class Actions
- Pro Bono
- White Collar Defense

Education

- Stanford Law School, J.D., Pro Bono Distinction, 2020
 - Senior Editor, *Stanford Law and Policy Review*
 - John Hart Ely Prize (Legal Ethics)
- University of St Andrews, School of International Relations, MLitt in Political Theory, 2017
 - Bobby Jones Fellow
- Emory University, B.A., *summa cum laude*, 2016

Bryan Reines focuses his practice on complex civil litigation, criminal defense, and investigations. He has experience representing individuals and entities in a broad array of matters, including those involving breach of contract, false advertising, fraud, intellectual property, professional malpractice, and employment. He also has an active sports practice, in which he represents Major League Baseball players and agencies.

Clients and colleagues have praised Bryan for crafting persuasive briefs, and he excels in court, where he has presented arguments at the trial and appellate levels.

Before joining the firm, Bryan was a law clerk to the Honorable Jill A. Pryor of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Eleventh Circuit. He graduated from Stanford Law School, where he co-authored multiple briefs filed in the U.S. Supreme Court as a member of the Supreme Court Litigation Clinic.

Experience

- Represents retirees in four groundbreaking class actions brought in federal district courts in New York, Massachusetts, Maryland, and Pennsylvania. The retirees allege that their former employers, large corporate sponsors of defined-benefit pension plans, violated the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA) by transferring the responsibility to pay billions of dollars' worth of pension benefits to an unsafe insurer.
- Represents a sports agency in multiple cases concerning restrictive covenants in the Major League Baseball Players Association's arbitral forum.
- Represented on appeal a former employee alleging race discrimination and retaliation in his workplace. After Bryan was appointed to handle the appeal by the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Eleventh Circuit, he briefed and argued the

case, winning a reversal from the Eleventh Circuit, which issued a precedential opinion reviving the former employee's lawsuit.

- Represented an internationally renowned psychiatrist and owner of neuropsychiatric instruments used in the diagnosis and treatment of serious mental health disorders in litigation regarding the licensing of the rights to develop and commercialize digital versions of the instruments. Zuckerman Spaeder secured a favorable settlement that clarified the parties' respective rights under the license, while avoiding any payment to the plaintiff.
- Represented on appeal a former college athlete who alleged concussion-induced brain injury in a challenge to personal jurisdiction. Bryan briefed and argued the case on appeal, winning a reversal from the Appellate Court of Maryland, which issued a precedential opinion allowing the case to proceed.
- Represented a Taft-Hartley pension plan in litigation filed in California state court against the plan's former actuarial service provider for professional negligence and breach of contract.
- Represented a company defrauded of tens of millions of dollars in federal and state courts in New York and Florida to recover the stolen funds.
- Advised a multibillion-dollar investment management firm on litigation between third parties that affected its business interests.
- Represented a Washington D.C. homeowner in a foreclosure action brought against her by one of the country's largest banks.
- Authored an amicus brief on behalf of the National Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers "NACDL" filed in the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit. The NACDL brief argued that a former public official did not waive his Fifth Amendment privilege against self-incrimination at a civil trial by testifying at an earlier deposition in the same case; the Sixth Circuit agreed and vacated the District Court's order.
- Authored an amicus brief on behalf of the Georgia Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers "GACDL" filed in the United States Supreme Court. The GACDL brief argued that the Georgia Supreme Court has routinely misapplied *Batson v. Kentucky*, 479 U.S. 79, (1986), the case establishing the standard for assessing whether a prosecutor's use of peremptory strikes violated the Constitution. The GACDL brief was cited as a supporting authority in a two-Justice dissent from the denial of *certiorari*.

Bar Admissions

- California
- District of Columbia

Court admissions

- U.S. Court of Appeals, Eleventh Circuit
- U.S. Court of Appeals, Fourth Circuit
- U.S. Court of Appeals, Second Circuit
- U.S. District Court, Central District of California
- U.S. District Court, District of Columbia
- U.S. District Court, Northern District of California

Clerkships

- U.S. Court of Appeals for the Eleventh Circuit
 - Hon. Jill A. Pryor