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### Practice Areas

Appellate

Energy

Insurance & Reinsurance

Litigation

Products Liability & Torts

Real Estate & Construction

### Admissions

Wisconsin

### Education

Juris Doctor, University of Wisconsin Law School, *summa cum laude*, Order of the Coif

Bachelor of Arts, University of Wisconsin-Madison, philosophy and history

Bryan is a shareholder in Godfrey & Kahn's Litigation practice, with a strong focus on utility, energy, and real estate litigation. Bryan advises and represents clients in all phases of litigation, from pre-suit investigation through trial and appeals. In addition to appearing in state and federal trial and appellate courts, Bryan also represents renewable energy developers and utility clients in contested administrative proceedings before the Public Service Commission of Wisconsin.

Bryan's trial practice encompasses a variety of commercial litigation, with a heavy emphasis on eminent domain and land-use disputes, as well as municipal disputes arising from zoning law and land-use ordinance violations.

Before joining the firm, Bryan served as the law clerk to the Honorable David T. Prosser at the Wisconsin Supreme Court.

### Representative Litigation Experience

*JT Properties of Mt. Horeb, LLC v. American Transmission Company LLC*, Wisconsin Court of Appeals 2023AP2322 (affirming the trial court's decision denying a right-to-take challenge on uneconomic remnant and necessity grounds after a three-day bench trial).

*Hanson Revocable Trust v. American Transmission Company LLC*, Wisconsin Court of Appeals 2023AP1327 (affirming in part trial court's order granting summary judgment on interpretation and validity of easement).

*CCH Investments LLC v. American Transmission Company LLC*, Wisconsin Court of Appeals 2023AP896 (affirming jury verdict and judgment arising out of three-day just compensation trial).

*Zastrow v. American Transmission Company LLC*, Wisconsin Court of Appeals 2017AP1848 (affirming summary judgment decision dismissing claim asserting failure to negotiate in good faith as part of right-to-take challenge).

*Garza v. American Transmission Company LLC*, Wisconsin Supreme Court 2014AP2278 (interpreting easement and affirming summary judgment decision dismissing inverse condemnation action).

*Larson v. Wisconsin Physicians Service Insurance Corporation*, W.D. Wisconsin No. 14CV215 (granting motion to dismiss plaintiff's putative class action challenging health insurer's use of copayments for chiropractic care).

*Moran v. IOD Incorporated*, Massachusetts Superior Court (defended a medical records release-of-information company against a class action alleging overcharging and violations of state deceptive trade practices statute, obtaining a favorable, early settlement on a class-wide basis).

*Stolen Farms, Inc. v. American Transmission Company LLC*, Wisconsin Court of Appeals 2010AP1427 (affirming the trial court's summary judgment decision confirming the electric transmission utility's right to exercise its eminent domain power for purposes of upgrading a high voltage transmission line).

*Oaks v. Settlers Life Insurance Company*, Wisconsin Court of Appeals 2009AP2061, (reversing the trial court's summary judgment decision and granting the life insurer summary judgment, holding that the life insurance beneficiary could not recover because the policy was void ab initio).

*Westphal v. Smelser, et al.*, Wisconsin Court of Appeals 2007AP827 (reversing the trial court's denial of summary judgment resulting in dismissal of conspiracy and tort claims against executive by former management employee).

*Singer v. Pneumo-Abex LLC*, Wisconsin Court of Appeals 2010AP2614 (January 18, 2012: Reversing trial court's denial of brake lining manufacturer's motion for summary judgment in wrongful death mesothelioma case and vacating \$1.5 million jury verdict).

*Simonson v. Morbark, Inc.*, Jackson County Circuit Court Case No. 07-CV-96 (alleged defective design of commercial wood chipper in wrongful death products liability case: Defense Verdict on October 8, 2010).

## Representative Administrative Experience

Village of Pulaski – PSC Docket No. 4890-CW-102 – The Commission issued the certificate of authority approving the construction of a new water main, pumping station, and related infrastructure to allow the Village to convert its municipal water supply from groundwater to surface water in January 2025.

Wood County Solar Project – PSC Docket No. 9816-CE-100. The Commission issued the certificate of public convenience and necessity (CPCN) approving this 150-MW solar generation project in May 2023.

Onion River Solar – PSC Docket No. 9805-CE-100. The Commission issued the CPCN approving this 150-MW solar generation project in June 2021.

Saratoga Solar Project – PSC Docket No. 9803-CE-100. The Commission issued the CPCN approving this 150-MW solar generation project in March 2021.

Badger State Solar – PSC Docket No. 9800-CE-100. The Commission issued the CPCN approving this 149-MW solar generation project in February 2020.

## Court Admissions

United States Court of Appeals for the Seventh District  
United States District Court, Eastern District of Wisconsin  
United States District Court, Western District of Wisconsin

## Professional Association Memberships

Dane County Bar Association  
International Right of Way Association

## Honors

Listed in *Best Lawyers in America* (Litigation - Real Estate, 2017 - present; Litigation - Land Use and Zoning, 2023)  
Recognized as a Wisconsin Rising Star (2011 - 2012, 2014 - 2019)  
Recognized by Benchmark Litigation as a Local Future Star (2018 - present)