

# Ryan Hansen

## Partner

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### Practices

FOCUS: Financial Markets and Funds

Corporate

Corporate Governance

Entrepreneurial Ventures

International

Investment Management and Funds

Mergers and Acquisitions

### Industries

Energy

### Education

LLM, London School of Economics and Political Science, *with merit*

JD, The University of Iowa College of Law, *with distinction*

BBA, The University of Iowa

### Bar Admissions

New York

### Court Admissions

US Court of Appeals, Eighth Circuit

### Community Involvements

New York State Bar Association

With deep cross-border experience, Ryan Hansen is a trusted adviser to international investment and private fund managers, venture capital firms, sovereign wealth funds, family offices and high-net-worth individuals. His work spans fund formation, corporate governance and marketing, equity and debt financings, mergers and acquisitions, strategic partnerships, and reorganizations and restructuring. He helps clients navigate the myriad commercial and regulatory issues that arise in connection with international investment and fundraising activities.

### Delivering counsel with cross-border vision and a client-centric approach

Within the investment management industry, Ryan provides regular guidance to private fund managers on various topics, including the formation of domestic and offshore funds, the offering of fund interests, investment screening and due diligence, portfolio investment acquisitions and dispositions, and ongoing compliance with US regulatory requirements. He is well-respected in this space, with clients noting that he is “responsive, thorough and approachable.” (*Legal 500 UK, 2024*)

Ryan focuses his corporate practice on advising institutional investors, family offices and high-net-worth individuals on their venture capital investments and related financings. He understands the unique needs of emerging companies and helps them achieve their goals through equity and debt financings, mergers and acquisitions, joint ventures and strategic partnerships, reorganizations and restructurings, and commercial contracts with key customers, suppliers and service providers. Additionally, he provides guidance to public and private companies, sovereign entities and private investors on matters relating to US securities laws, including securities offerings under Regulation D, Regulation S, Rule 144A and other private placement exemptions, as well as compliance with reporting and disclosure requirements from the Securities and Exchange Commission

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**"Ryan Hansen has been exceptional in servicing our firm. He is prompt in his response, always on a timely basis, and works with a sense of urgency which we appreciate very much."**

*- Legal 500 UK 2023  
(Investment Fund Formation and Management – Private Funds) survey response*

(SEC) and other self-regulatory organizations (SROs).

Ryan also has particular experience in infrastructure development and the energy and natural resources sector, advising oil and gas, commodities, transportation and tourism clients on their large-scale energy, mining and infrastructure projects. Additionally, he regularly assists governments and state-owned entities with natural resource sector laws, regulations and agreements, including the preparation, administration and oversight of production-sharing contracts and related project agreements. He is a trusted adviser on public bid tenders for oil, gas and mineral reserves, cross-border unitization and joint development agreements.

## Representative Experience

- Represented a UK-based venture capital fund and family office on their venture capital investments.\*
- Represented a US private equity fund sponsor in the formation and marketing of various US and offshore feeder funds.\*
- Represented a US hedge fund sponsor in the formation and marketing of various US and offshore funds.\*
- Represented a US venture capital adviser on various secondary transactions in startups and early-stage companies.\*
- Represented various Middle East-based sovereign wealth funds and pension funds in investments in private equity funds, venture capital funds, and co-investment vehicles and joint ventures.\*
- Represented a Middle East-based family office in various corporate and commercial transactions, including acquisitions, dispositions, investments and corporate structuring matters.\*
- Represented a Middle Eastern special economic zone, its investment fund and affiliates in venture capital investments and strategic commercial arrangements.\*
- Represented a US registered investment adviser and affiliated private funds on various transactional, governance and compliance matters, including direct portfolio investments, regulatory filings and disclosures.\*
- Represented a US-based family office in various private fund investments.\*
- Represented a Middle East-based industrial manufacturer and its

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