



# Ryan Young

LEGAL FELLOW



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## Why does Ryan love FGA?

*“For too long, the opportunity for people to leverage their talents and work for themselves has been denied. FGA helps free people from government dependency. This encourages expanded access to work as well as the dignity and opportunities work provides. Success at FGA means every person in the country benefits.”*

Ryan Young is the Legal Fellow at the Foundation for Government Accountability.

Prior to joining FGA, he was Legislative Director for Congressman Pete Sessions. He also previously served as a Deputy Director of Grassroots Operations for Americans for Prosperity in Texas. He holds a Bachelor of Arts in Business Economics and Government from Wofford College and a Juris Doctorate from the Charleston School of Law.

Ryan first experienced the value of work in the subfreezing temperatures of a meat distributor’s warehouse. There was only one way to get that type of work done—effort. Showing up to work from high school to stack and move pallets helped him learn the accomplishment that comes from hard, honest work.

To him, work means creating access to the ladder of opportunity for yourself and others by doing the right thing and bringing your best effort every day. He has seen firsthand the positive impact hard work has through his family’s small business, which has operated and employed others for more than 100 years.

Ryan is a licensed attorney in Texas, the District of Columbia, and South Carolina.

When he is not working, Ryan loves to read, smoke brisket, hike with his dogs, and spend time with his wonderful wife, Stephanie. A fan of college football, Ryan, Stephanie, and their rescue dogs and cats live near Washington, D.C.