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61st Annual Rocky Mountain Mineral Law Institute



Anchorage is celebrating its 100th birthday this summer, and the Foundation will be there for our 61st Annual Institute to join the celebration. Among the northernmost cities on Earth, Anchorage features dozens of parks and 122 miles of paved bike paths. Warmed by a maritime climate and a summer sun that doesn't set until 11:00 pm, visitors can spend the day fishing Ship Creek downtown, hiking the nearby mountains, photographing glaciers, visiting museums and theaters, dining at fine restaurants, and enjoying a city with one of the highest concentrations of microbreweries per capita in the country. All with a backdrop of the salmon-rich waters of Cook Inlet and the towering peaks of Chugach State Park. Dozens of wilderness adventures are within a quick drive from downtown, and a short plane ride opens up endless adventures. That's one reason why Anchorage's Lake Hood is the world's busiest floatplane base.

The Annual Institute opens with the General Session on Thursday morning. That afternoon and for the remainder of the conference, attendees can choose among the Mining, Oil & Gas, Water, Public Lands, Environmental, International, and Landman's Sections. See the program inside for details.

Don't miss our hosted Dessert Reception from 8:00–10:00 pm on Wednesday night – this will be a very special event, as the entire Anchorage Museum will be ours for the evening. We are also planning our second Young Professionals Reception from 6:00–8:00 pm on Wednesday evening. The traditional Thursday evening reception will be held on the deck of the Dena'ina Convention Center and will offer food and drink for both you and your family, along with glorious views of the Chugach Range.

Although the Captain Cook Hotel and the Anchorage Marriott are both already full, we still have rooms at substantially discounted rates at several other properties. Book a room as soon as possible, since the entire city will be sold out by the time of our Institute. See inside for complete details.

For a great "Insider's Guide to Anchorage," put together by our own locals, visit www.rmmlf.org/Anchorage-ThingsToDo.pdf



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PROGRAM

AT A GLANCE

WEDNESDAY, JULY 15

9:00 am - 8:00 pm

REGISTRATION - Dena'ina Convention Center

THURSDAY, JULY 16

7:00 am

REGISTRATION OPENS

8:30 am - 12:10 pm

GENERAL SESSION

2:00 pm - 5:00 pm

OIL & GAS PART 1 *or* **PUBLIC LANDS**

FRIDAY, JULY 17

8:20 am - Noon

OIL & GAS PART 2 *or* **MINING**

2:00 pm - 5:00 pm

INTERNATIONAL *or* **WATER**

SATURDAY, JULY 18

9:00 am - 12:10 pm

ENVIRONMENTAL *or* **LANDMAN'S**

12:10 pm

ADJOURN

REGISTRATION
Dena'ina Convention Center, 600 W. 7th Ave., Anchorage
 Wednesday, July 15, 9:00 am – 8:00 pm
 Thursday, July 16 and Friday, July 17, 7:00 am – 5:00 pm
 Saturday, July 18, 7:00 am – Noon

General Session

THURSDAY MORNING, JULY 16

8:30 – 8:45 am - *Introductions and Special Recognitions*

8:45 – 9:00 am - *Welcome by Hilary Tompkins, Solicitor, U.S. Department of the Interior*

9:00 – 9:50 am

The Alaska LNG Project

The Alaska LNG Project has the potential to unlock Alaska’s vast North Slope gas resources, and in doing so would help shape Alaska’s future for decades to come. The proposed project will face technical challenges, commercial uncertainties, and complex regulatory regimes. Currently, ConocoPhillips, ExxonMobil, BP, TransCanada, and the State of Alaska are participating in the initial steps of this proposed project, which would encompass an LNG plant and marine terminal facility on the Kenai Peninsula in south central Alaska, an 800-mile-long 42-inch diameter gas pipeline, and a gas treatment plant and inlet transmission lines on the North Slope. The proposed project is currently anticipated to cost in the range of USD \$45-65 billion if constructed. This presentation will provide an overview of the proposed project and some of the numerous legal and regulatory issues that must be successfully addressed to make this project a reality.

MICHAEL W. BRITTON, The Alaska LNG Project (seconded from ConocoPhillips), Houston, TX

BARBARA F. FULLMER, ConocoPhillips Alaska, Inc., Anchorage, AK



Michael W. Britton



Barbara F. Fullmer

9:50 – 10:20 am - *Break*

10:20 – 11:10 am

Following the Yellow Brick Road: A Peek Behind the Curtain at Federal Agency Rulemaking

Oil and gas and mining companies increasingly find themselves subject to a dizzying array of new federal regulations, each of which may have a profound effect on business for decades to come. Other stakeholders, too, are affected by new agency regulations. The Administrative Procedure Act and the process for issuing regulations can be both mystifying and intimidating. This presentation will peel back the curtain of the federal bureaucracy and explain how agencies initiate, design, propose, review, finalize, and defend their regulatory initiatives. Topics will include differentiating between a binding regulation and a policy statement or agency guidance, the legal effect of a rule on both the agency and the regulated community, how agencies propose and finalize regulations, the public notice and comment process, limitations on ex parte communications, internal agency review practices, the roles of the Office of Management and Budget and the Congress in the rulemaking process, and standards governing challenges to agency rules.

STACY R. LINDEN, American Petroleum Institute, Washington, DC
 PETER J. SCHAUMBERG, Beveridge & Diamond, P.C., Washington, DC



Stacy R. Linden



Peter J. Schaumberg

11:10 am – 12:10 pm

The Dangerous Dance: Ethics and Impacts of Suing Opposing Counsel

Cases in which lawyers have sued opposing counsel seeking to recover damages for wrongful behavior are gaining increasing attention. Such actions have raised allegations ranging from abusive tactics in discovery and litigation to participation in misrepresentation and fraud. These claims leave lawyers open to unforeseen liability, and could also place them in the difficult position of having interests in conflict with those of their clients. Moreover, the traditional defenses protecting lawyers against such claims appear to be under challenge. This session will examine the litigation privilege and the immunity it provides to lawyers. It will highlight challenges to complete immunity and review the states that have permitted parties to sue opposing lawyers. This presentation will also address developments in the law and the application of ethical rules, provide guidance as to how to avoid such lawsuits, and briefly examine the new trend of lawyers using ethics counsel for legal advice on how to address difficult situations.

JOHN S. DZIENKOWSKI, University of Texas School of Law, Austin, TX



John S. Dzienkowski

12:10 – 2:00 pm - ***Lunch - On Your Own, or In-House Counsel Lunch, or Natural Resources Law Teachers Lunch, or International Lunch***
 (See p. 27 and Registration Form)

Oil & Gas Section -

THURSDAY AFTERNOON, JULY 16 - CONCURRENT WITH PUBLIC LANDS SECTION

Thursday Afternoon



Shelley C. Spiecker

2:00 – 2:50 pm

Drilling Down into Fact Finder Perceptions in Energy Litigation: New Trends in Effective Persuasion

What are the new trends in decision making in energy litigation, and how can you most effectively persuade in today's litigation landscape? Specific topics that will be covered in this presentation include the role of media, government, and the economy in decision making, nationwide responses to catastrophic events in the energy industry, how to motivate fact finders to process scientific evidence, how graphic presentations have changed in response to the media revolution, how the ABA's Opinion 466 affects the use of social media, juror research, and the ethical line between proper investigation and improper communication in Social Media Analysis. Video clips of fact finders discussing issues in energy litigation and case examples illustrating the application of persuasive strategies will make this presentation entertaining as well as informative.

SHELLEY C. SPIECKER, Persuasion Strategies, Denver, CO

2:50 – 3:20 pm - *Break*



Keith B. Hall

3:20 – 4:10 pm

Induced Seismicity: An Energy Lawyer's Guide to Legal Issues and the Causes of Man-Made Earthquakes

For several decades, scientists have been convinced that earthquakes are sometimes triggered by human activities. Such "induced seismicity" has received greater attention in recent years. The number of low magnitude earthquakes has increased in certain areas of the U.S., and many geologists believe that injection disposal wells, many of which are used by the oil and gas industry, may be responsible. This presentation will provide an overview of what energy industry lawyers should know about induced seismicity. What is an earthquake? How is the intensity of an earthquake measured? When an earthquake occurs, how do scientists evaluate whether it was induced by humans? Which activities related to the oil and gas industry, and what other human activities, do scientists believe can sometimes trigger earthquakes? How often are earthquakes triggered by injection disposal, and how can the likelihood of such events be lessened? Can hydraulic fracturing itself cause earthquakes? Are governments regulating this issue, and if so, how? What are the other legal issues relating to induced seismicity?

KEITH B. HALL, Louisiana State University Paul M. Hebert Law Center, Baton Rouge, LA

4:10 – 5:00 pm

That Other Royalty: Calculating and Allocating the Burden of Non-Participating Royalty Interests

Non-participating royalty interests (NPRIs) are nothing new, and yet decades after they were created they continue to confound oil and gas operators, mineral and NPRI owners, and title attorneys alike. Many states lack definitive guidance in the form of published opinions, title standards, or treatises to help guide practitioners in their treatment of NPRIs. This presentation will focus on how NPRIs should be properly analyzed, credited, and apportioned among the applicable mineral owners, and identify who is responsible for bearing an NPRI in a number of different example situations. To help analyze the major issues of allocating and apportioning NPRIs, a historical review of NPRIs will be given, with a more thorough discussion of NPRIs on a state-by-state basis, noting any applicable title standards. The presentation will also provide suggestions on how best to advise operators, working interest partners, and mineral owners to understand the proper allocation and apportionment of NPRIs and their effects on mineral and working interests.

RANDALL J. FEUERSTEIN , Dufford & Brown, P.C., Denver, CO

KRISTI E. DORR, Dufford & Brown, P.C., Denver, CO




Randall J. Feuerstein



Kristi E. Dorr

5:00 – 7:00 pm - **Hosted Reception – For Registrants and Families**



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PUBLIC LANDS SECTION

THURSDAY AFTERNOON, JULY 16 - CONCURRENT WITH OIL & GAS SECTION



James D. Linxwiler



Joseph J. Perkins

2:00 – 2:50 pm

A Primer on Alaska Lands

For unique geographic and historical reasons, Alaska has generated its own extensive federal and state public land laws, Native laws, and natural resources laws that differ significantly from those found in the other western states. The State of Alaska received 104 million acres under the Statehood Act and has enacted its own comprehensive suite of public land and mineral laws applicable to its lands. Alaska Native corporations received 44 million acres under the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act (ANCSA), all of which are essentially private lands held by unique entities. Over 150 million acres have been placed into various federal conservation withdrawals under the Alaska National Interest Lands Conservation Act (ANILCA). The Statehood Act, ANCSA, and ANILCA are lengthy, complex, and interrelated statutes. The speakers will present a comprehensive overview of these laws, how they interrelate with each other, and how they (together with the public land and mineral laws enacted by the state) enable exploration and development of resource projects in Alaska.

JAMES D. LINXWILER, Guess & Rudd P.C., Anchorage, AK

JOSEPH J. PERKINS, Stoel Rives LLP, Anchorage, AK

2:50 – 3:20 pm - **Break**

3:20 – 4:10 pm

Surface Access Rights to Develop Severed Federal Minerals

An oil and gas lessee's right to use the surface of a severed mineral interest within a federal exploratory unit has historically been limited to the land directly overlying the subjuring minerals; use of the surface of one parcel to benefit or access the minerals of a separate, adjoining parcel, was prohibited. The Tenth Circuit's 2014 decision in *Entek GRB, LLC v. Stull Ranches, LLC* potentially expands the mineral lessee's rights of surface use. Focusing on the United States' rights of disposal under the Stock-Raising Homestead Act of 1916, the court upheld a mineral lessee's use of the surface to access adjoining land validly contributed to a unit pursuant to Section 226 of the



Tara K. Righetti

Mineral Leasing Act. This session will examine the *Entek* decision and the effect of unitization under the Mineral Leasing Act on surface development of field-wide infrastructure for oil and gas production, gathering, and wastewater disposal.

TARA K. RIGHETTI, University of Wyoming College of Law, Laramie, WY

4:10 – 5:00 pm

Public Land Withdrawals: The Age-Old Struggle over Federal Land Management Policy Continues

In the past several years, millions of acres of public land have become unavailable for oil and gas leasing and mining claim locations. The BLM and Forest Service are reshaping land management priorities throughout the West in a manner that might be characterized as the de facto withdrawal of land. These include initiatives intended to avoid the listing of the Greater Sage-Grouse under the Endangered Species Act, as well as planning efforts to establish special land use designations (areas of critical environmental concern, national monuments, etc.), predetermined utility corridors, travel management regulations, and restrictions on road development. Several court decisions have addressed the legality of federal withdrawals and de facto withdrawal arguments, including *Yount v. Salazar*. Other cases, such as the pending *Utah County v. Jewell* litigation, raise similar de facto withdrawal arguments. The speakers will discuss the authority for federal land withdrawals, the relevant court decisions, and the federal land use planning efforts that are prompting this litigation.

JOHN F. SHEPHERD, Holland & Hart LLP, Denver, CO

SHAWN T. WELCH, Holland & Hart LLP, Salt Lake City, UT



John F. Shepherd



Shawn T. Welch

5:00 – 7:00 pm - **Hosted Reception – For Registrants and Families**

Oil & Gas Section -

FRIDAY MORNING, JULY 17 - CONCURRENT WITH MINING SECTION



Jason Newman

8:20 – 8:50 am

U.S. Oil and Gas Law Update

The Annual Oil and Gas Law Update will provide a summary of new and significant statutory, regulatory, and common law developments applicable to upstream oil and gas exploration and production in the U.S. that have occurred since the 2014 Annual Institute.

JASON NEWMAN, Baker Botts LLP, Houston TX



Allison A. Davis

8:50 – 9:50 am

GHG Regulations and the Politics of Climate Change in the Oil and Gas Industry

In 2007, the Supreme Court upheld the Environmental Protection Agency's authority to regulate greenhouse gases (GHG) if the Agency determined "that such emissions contribute to climate change." With this new-found authority, EPA has embarked on a course of regulation resulting in "the single largest expansion in the scope of the [Clean Air Act] in its history." Whether we like it or not, the regulation of emissions that contribute to climate change is likely here to stay, and recent actions by EPA and other federal and state agencies indicate that the oil and gas industry must be prepared to deal with new and potentially costly regulations. This panel will explore recent and proposed GHG regulation of the oil and gas industry, discuss various state and regional permitting issues, and review how these rules affect oil and gas companies and their operations.

ALLISON A. DAVIS, Davis Wright Tremaine L.L.P., San Francisco, CA

BENJAMIN R. RHEM, Jackson Walker L.L.P., Austin, TX

EMILY C. SCHILLING, Holland & Hart LLP, Salt Lake City, UT

RONALD I. SCHINDLER, Pioneer Natural Resources USA, Inc., Irving, TX



Benjamin R. Rhem



Emily C. Schilling

9:50 – 10:20 am - **Break**

10:20 – 11:10 am

When the Horizontal and Vertical Collide: Frac Hits and Operator Quest for Détente in the Common Reservoir

“Frac hits” is a term used to describe communication between wells completed in the same geologic formation that is manifested during a fracture treatment. This session will examine the scenario in which fracture treatment of a new horizontal well impacts a nearby vertical well, including associated operator responses, litigation theories, and agency action and responses. The speakers will analyze the ad coelum doctrine, rule of capture, correlative rights doctrine, and conservation regulation, together with a new “reservoir community analysis.” They will also discuss an alternative analysis for dealing with frac hits by marshalling rights in the common reservoir.

MARK D. CHRISTIANSEN, McAfee & Taft, Oklahoma City, OK

DAVID E. PIERCE, Washburn University School of Law, Topeka, KS



Mark D.
Christiansen



David E. Pierce

11:10 am – Noon

Constitutional Protections for Mineral Interest Holders: Oil and Gas Regulation and the Takings Clause

With the expansion of domestic oil and gas development over the last decade, federal, state, and local governments have struggled with whether to permit development within their communities and, if development is to be permitted, what conditions should be applied to producers’ operations. The result is an inevitable tension between regulators who wish to limit the impacts of oil and gas development on communities – either through restrictions on where and how operations are conducted or through outright bans on production – and individual property holders who hope to capitalize on the economic opportunity oil and gas development affords mineral interest owners. This presentation will explore how the Fifth Amendment and analogous provisions in state constitutions delineate the proper boundary between development conditions that represent a valid exercise of regulatory authority and conditions that result in an uncompensated taking of a property interest in oil and gas.

MARK S. BARRON, BakerHostetler, Denver, CO



Mark S. Barron

Noon – 2:00 pm - **Lunch - On Your Own, or Portia’s Lunch, or IPAA Lunch**
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Mining Section

FRIDAY MORNING, JULY 17 - CONCURRENT WITH OIL & GAS SECTION



Michael T. Jewell

8:20 – 9:00 am

Annual Mining and Public Land Law Update

The Annual Mining and Public Land Law Update will summarize the key legislative, administrative, and judicial developments in mining and public land law since the 2014 Annual Institute. The Update will separately address the *Tsilhqot'in Nation v. B.C.* decision of the Supreme Court of Canada in which the Court, for the first time ever, granted a declaration of Aboriginal title to an indigenous group, thereby granting the group an ownership interest over approximately 1,700 square kilometres of land in central British Columbia. This part of the Update will consider the implications of Aboriginal title for project development.

MICHAEL T. JEWELL, Burns Figa & Will, Greenwood Village, CO

KEITH B. BERGNER, Lawson Lundell LLP, Vancouver, BC – *Tsilhqot'in* decision



Keith B. Bergner

9:00 – 9:50 am

Is It Still Possible to Permit a Major New Mining Project in the United States?

At a time when the opponents of new mining projects are better organized, better funded, and in some cases supported by the present Administration, is it still possible to permit a major new mining project in the U.S.? Just as in the words of real estate salespeople and developers, the answer depends on “location, location, location.” While the registrants for the 61st Annual Institute are gathered in the great state of Alaska, the topic immediately brings to mind the Pebble Project, but there are many more cases to review in the Lower 48 as well. This presentation will explore the significant difficulties facing mining companies as they try to replace their ever-depleting reserves by expanding or opening new mines in the U.S. The impacts of social media, stakeholder demands for transparency, and preemptive governmental actions will be explored. While the answer to the question at hand might seem to be an obvious “no,” the reality might be surprising, and certain recent success stories will be reviewed.

DONALD C. EWIGLEBEN, Holland & Hart LLP, Denver, CO



Donald C. Ewigleben

9:50 – 10:20 am - **Break**

10:20 – 11:00 am

NI 43-101 Standards for Disclosure for Mineral Projects: Core Principles, Pitfalls, Problems, and Practical Guidance

The Canadian securities rule National Instrument 43-101, Standards of Disclosure for Mineral Projects, sets out standards for public disclosure made in Canada by issuers concerning scientific and technical information

about mineral projects. NI 43-101 has become an international industry disclosure standard, looked to as providing technical information that is balanced, understandable, consistent in use of terms and definitions, unbiased, and in a standard format that allows for comparison of similar projects. In 2013, the Ontario Securities Commission and the British Columbia Securities Commission separately published results of their reviews of certain disclosures made in Canada for compliance with NI 43-101. The results were not encouraging, and since then mining issuers, geologists, accountants, and lawyers have been discussing common deficiencies and how to better comply with NI 43-101. This presentation will address the core principles of NI 43-101, identify disclosure problems and pitfalls, and provide practical guidance for making disclosure in Canada about mineral projects that complies with NI 43-101.

LAUREL M. PETRYK, McMillan, LLP, Vancouver, BC

CORY KENT, McMillan, LLP, Vancouver, BC



Laurel M. Petryk



Cory Kent

11:00 am – Noon

Indigenous Rights and Mineral Development: Challenges and Opportunities

Indigenous rights play an ever-increasing role in the successful development and operation of mining projects. While discussion of this issue often occurs in the context of Aboriginal groups' opposition to mining projects, there is, in fact, much more to the matter. This panel will explore some of the challenges and opportunities that exist in successfully integrating indigenous rights and title into mineral development, through both legal structures and negotiated arrangements. More specifically, it will consider the legal context of exploration and development on lands owned by Alaska Native Corporations as well as consultation requirements for Alaska's tribes, developments in Canadian law following a historic 2014 Supreme Court of Canada decision on Aboriginal title, and Chile's recent experience in aiming to harmonize the implementation of indigenous consultation with cooperation agreements.

AARON SCHUTT, Doyon, Ltd., Fairbanks, AK – Alaskan perspective

ROBIN M. JUNGER, McMillan LLP, Vancouver, BC – Canadian Perspective

SEBASTIÁN DONOSO, Barros y Errázuriz, Santiago, Chile – South American Perspective



Aaron Schutt



Robin M. Junger



Sebastián Donoso

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INTERNATIONAL SECTION

FRIDAY AFTERNOON, JULY 17 - CONCURRENT WITH WATER SECTION



Marie H. Buchinski



Mark R. Haskell

2:00 – 2:50 pm

U.S. and Canadian Crude Oil and Product Exports: New World and New Issues

The landscape for crude oil and products exports, including the cross-border trade between the U.S. and Canada, is changing rapidly. In the U.S., due to substantial capital investments expended for the purpose of reconfiguring refineries to efficiently process heavier crude oil, refineries now have limited ability to efficiently process light tight oil at a time when its production is reaching historic levels. Thus, easing crude oil export restrictions has emerged as a national policy discussion. Historically, Canada has imposed relatively less restriction on crude oil exports, but recent challenges have focused the debate on the energy infrastructure required to facilitate those exports. This panel will examine U.S. and Canadian regulatory restrictions and recent changes, including the Export Administration Act, U.S. Department of Commerce regulations, and recent developments regarding condensate exports. It will also address issues faced by exporters unfamiliar with international exports, including licensing, sanctions issues, etc., and will explore some of the issues and complexities embedded in the crude oil export policy debate in both countries.

MARIE H. BUCHINSKI, Bennett Jones LLP, Calgary, AB

MARK R. HASKELL, Morgan Lewis & Bockius LLP, Washington, DC

2:50 – 3:20 pm - **Break**

3:20 – 4:10 pm

In-Bound Mining Investment into the United States: What Does the Foreign Investor Face?

In the context of ever-increasing cross-border investment, this presentation will examine some of the practical considerations that foreign investors face when seeking to acquire mining assets in the U.S. The presentation will begin by discussing some of the steps taken in the initial planning stage, including due diligence and acquisition structuring considerations (including form of consideration) and, where the target is a U.S. public company, the fiduciary responsibilities of the board of directors, as well as public disclosure obligations of both the acquirer and target. The presentation will continue with key “deal points” for the foreign investor in mining projects, taking into consideration that a successful mining joint venture must be based on a realistic understanding of the unique regulatory framework for mining



I. Daniel Colton



George Karafotias

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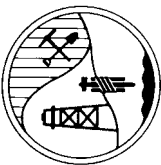
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When calling any hotels, you must refer to Rocky Mountain Mineral Law Foundation and the 61st Annual Institute to receive our special discounted pricing. Government rate rooms are available at the Hilton. Please let us know if you need the special online booking code.

Please contact us at info@rmmlf.org if you have any questions or if you encounter any problems when making your room reservations. We look forward to seeing you in Anchorage.

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Reservations: 907-277-9501

International Section

(Continued)

in the U.S., as well as the time and cost required to move a mining project from an early exploration stage, through design and permitting, to construction and operation of a mine. The presentation will also address certain corporate form prerequisites to owning mineral rights or interests in the U.S. and their associated tax implications, as well as the possibility of additional reviews by the Committee on Foreign Investment in the United States (CFIUS) and the Hart-Scott-Rodino Improvement Act.

I. DANIEL COLTON, Dorsey & Whitney LLP, Minneapolis, MN
GEORGE KARAFOTIAS, Shearman & Sterling LLP, New York, NY and London, UK

4:10 – 5:00 pm

South of the Border – Down Mexico Way: The Past, Present, and Future of Petroleum Development in Mexico

The biggest positive petroleum story of 2014 was Mexico's decision to open its upstream petroleum sector to direct private investment. Petroleum exploration by foreign investors began in the first decade of the 20th century based upon the U.S. model of private mineral ownership. In the 1910s, Mexico became a major producer contemporaneously with the Mexican Revolution. In 1917, as a result of the revolution, a new constitutional provision reasserted government sovereignty and title over petroleum. Production peaked in 1921 and then fell dramatically. In 1938, as a result of labor unrest in the petroleum sector, the government expropriated the holdings of private petroleum companies. From then until the 21st century, PEMEX, Mexico's national oil company, controlled development. In 2003-2004, PEMEX was permitted to enter into "multiple services contracts," and in 2010 into "integrated services contracts" with private companies. In 2013, constitutional reform paved the way for broader private investment in the petroleum sector. In 2014, implementing legislation authorized private investment in exploration and development and authorized PEMEX to enter into joint ventures with private companies, with the first bid rounds to be held in 2015. The presentation will discuss this progression and analyze the evolving new petroleum regime and prospects for its success.

OWEN L. ANDERSON, University of Oklahoma College of Law, Norman, OK

J. JAY PARK, Park Energy Law, Calgary, AB

NICOLAS BORDA, Greenberg Traurig, S.C., Mexico City – Moderator



Owen L. Anderson



J. Jay Park



Nicolas Borda

Water Section

FRIDAY AFTERNOON, JULY 17 - CONCURRENT WITH INTERNATIONAL SECTION



Scott C. Miller

2:00 – 2:50 pm

Water Law 101: A Primer for Resource Developers and Landmen

The critical elements of the various states' water laws may be infrequently encountered by resource developers and landmen. However, when they become a factor in the acquisition of development rights or the launch of a project, a working knowledge of water law is essential. This presentation will cover the basic elements of the riparian water rights regime, the prior appropriation regime, the jurisdictional mixture of the two, and the management of groundwater as a part of, or independent from, these regimes. It will focus primarily on western water law and the evolving water issues facing the West, and will cover topics such as: acquisition of water rights; administration and enforcement of priorities; changes of water rights; underground, storage, and conjunctive use rights; methods and tools for securing reliable future water supply; ditch and pipeline easement law; federal reserved and Indian water rights; and other fundamental legal concepts in the field of water resources.

SCOTT C. MILLER, Patrick, Miller, Noto PC, Aspen, CO

2:50 – 3:20 pm - **Break**

3:20 – 4:10 pm

Instream Flow: Innovative Approaches Across the West

In the 1970s, western states began to adopt legislative provisions that allowed for water rights to be established for non-consumptive, instream flow use. We now have several decades of experience implementing and evaluating the successes and challenges of these instream flow programs. This presentation will review and analyze instream flow legislation and programs in the western states and selected Canadian provinces. Various states have adopted different approaches that demonstrate innovative and creative ways to approach instream flow protection, including, for example, Alaska House Bill 77 and the approach taken in Alaska's water code. As instream flow programs have developed in the West, certain themes have emerged that focus on: (1) definitional issues involving how the water code defines non-consumptive beneficial use; (2) structural issues involving priority dates, conversion of diversion based right to instream flow, and questions of control and enforcement of instream flow; (3) administrative issues involving funding and staffing for instream flow programs; and (4) political realities for instream flow programs involving the tough question of



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how discretionary authority is exercised with regard to instream flow. This session will offer up a comparative analysis of how different states and programs address these issues.

ADELL L. AMOS, University of Oregon School of Law, Eugene, OR

4:10 – 5:00 pm

Don't Let the Well Run Dry: Management and Use of Groundwater in Times of Scarcity

Appropriate management of groundwater is essential to addressing short- and long-term water supply needs. This presentation will address the myriad challenges and opportunities related to the regulation and use of groundwater in times of increasing scarcity. Within the context of prolonged and widespread drought, groundwater presents complex issues for regulators and users as a mined resource, as a resource that must be conjunctively managed with surface water, and as a receptacle for underground storage. The speaker will review the development of groundwater use and regulation across a variety of jurisdictions in light of hydrologic issues, historic legal constructs, and increasing drought. As groundwater supplies decline, many jurisdictions are regulating this important resource in new ways. While challenges abound, regulators and users alike are exploring ways to manage and use groundwater to ensure availability for both the short and long term.

MARIA O'BRIEN, Modrall Sperling, Albuquerque, NM



Maria O'Brien

UPCOMING PROGRAMS

Mining Agreements: Contracting for Goods and Services

September 22-25, 2015 in Vancouver, British Columbia

International Oil & Gas Law, Contracts, and Negotiations

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Endangered Species Act: Current & Emerging Issues Affecting Resource Development

November 4-5, 2015 in Denver, Colorado

Human Rights and the Extractive Industries

February 18-19, 2016 in Panama City, Panama

Environmental Section

SATURDAY MORNING, JULY 18 - CONCURRENT WITH LANDMAN'S SECTION



Craig D. Galli



Gregory E. Goldberg

9:00 – 10:00 am

Methodology and Ethics of Internal Investigations of Environmental Crimes

The initiation of a government investigation or the discovery of a serious compliance issue typically triggers the need to conduct an internal investigation. Various ethical issues arise before, during, and after the investigation. Failure to conduct an effective investigation can compromise a company's ability to negotiate an appropriate resolution or defend subsequent civil and/or criminal enforcement. An internal investigation raises complex issues including: who conducts the investigation; what entity is the client; how to conduct the investigation parallel to an ongoing government investigation; how to use technical experts; how to manage whistleblowers; when and how to disclose the results to regulators and prosecutors; when and how to provide counsel to employees; and how to reduce the risks of suspension and debarment. The presentation will provide the perspectives of a seasoned environmental litigator, a white collar criminal defense attorney, and the federal government's chief prosecutor of environmental crimes.

CRAIG D. GALLI, Holland & Hart LLP, Salt Lake City, UT

GREGORY E. GOLDBERG, Holland & Hart LLP, Denver, CO

DEBORAH L. HARRIS, Environmental Crimes Section, U.S. Department of Justice, Washington, DC

10:00 – 10:20 am - *Break*

10:20 – 10:40 am

What's Happening? An Environmental Law Update

Environmental laws have wide-reaching impacts and are constantly changing. The Environmental Law Update will bring you up-to-date on the key legislative, administrative, and judicial developments in environmental law since the 2014 Annual Institute. Topics will include the status of the Environmental Protection Agency's review of Clean Water Act §404 permits, the Clean Power Plan, a new Clean Air Act ruling, and the latest impacts to the industry from threatened and endangered species listings.

SUSAN M. RAINEY, Locke Lord LLP, Dallas, TX



Susan M. Rainey

10:40 – 11:30 am

"Be Afraid. Be Very Afraid." Dealing with Public Perceptions of Risk in Oil & Gas Development

As the shale boom moves into heavily populated areas, the oil and gas industry has tried to inform the public that oil and gas development is heavily regulated to protect health and the environment. The industry argues that the benefits of development far outweigh the risks, and that



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the risks are acceptable. Nevertheless, there is a public perception that oil and gas development in populated areas poses unacceptable risks. Public concerns increasingly drive the issue of when and where to conduct operations. This panel will examine the various factors that create public fear and cause many in the public to oppose any development, no matter how much science is available to demonstrate the relative safety of oil and gas operations or how much the public relies day-to-day on the energy made possible by the industry. The panel will explore why the public fear is understandable given emotional factors, common misperceptions about what is truly risky in our lives, and media coverage. The industry has often responded with a strategy of providing more and more information to the public to assuage the fear and demonstrate the benefits of development. The panel will discuss whether this is still the best approach, and will address possible alternatives including successful innovative approaches to community engagement. The panelists include an expert in human health risk assessment, the recent president of a state oil and gas association, and a lawyer specializing in regulatory compliance and litigation for upstream, midstream, and downstream operators.

COLIN G. HARRIS, Bryan Cave LLP, Denver, CO

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TISHA SCHULLER, Rocky Mountain Energy Summit, Denver, CO

IVAN LONDON, Bryan Cave LLP, Denver, CO – Moderator



Denise Hill



Tisha Schuller



Ivan London

11:30 am – 12:10 pm

New Realities: Ozone and the Western United States

The regulation of ozone under the Clean Air Act is nothing new – the Environmental Protection Agency regulation of ozone dates to the early 1970s. Yet, ozone has been of little concern to much of the undeveloped western U.S. – particularly the non-urban areas of the Intermountain West that are home to oil and gas production facilities and mining operations – because ozone is typically viewed as an urban air quality problem. But as EPA proposes to tighten the National Ambient Air Quality Standards for ozone again, a new dilemma for the western U.S. is emerging: how do you cut concentrations of ozone when the region's background levels of ozone are at or above the proposed standards? Significant concentrations of ozone in the rural West are not the result of locally generated emissions but come instead from sources beyond the control of the western states, including international transport, stratospheric intrusion, and wildfires.

JACOB A. SANTINI, Parsons Behle & Latimer, Salt Lake City, UT

MICHAEL J. TOMKO, Parsons Behle & Latimer, Salt Lake City, UT



Jacob A. Santini



Michael J. Tomko

12:10 pm - **Adjournment**

Landman's Section

SATURDAY MORNING, JULY 18 - CONCURRENT WITH ENVIRONMENTAL SECTION



Robert C. Mathes

9:00 – 10:00 am

Staying Alive: Navigating the Complexities of Federal Oil and Gas Lease Extensions, Terminations, Cancellations, and Suspensions

As oil and gas operators return to historically producing oil and gas regions such as the Powder River Basin in Wyoming and the Williston Basin in North Dakota, operators are routinely experiencing significant risks associated with the termination and extension of oil and gas leases. This presentation will provide a general overview of federal oil and gas lease extension, suspension, cancellation, and termination issues so that operators may properly understand the risks associated with new development on producing leases. Unlike fee and most state leases, federal oil and gas leases can be extended, terminated, or cancelled in a number of ways. It is imperative that landmen and lawyers alike understand these intricacies when working on federal lands. In particular, the speakers will discuss conflicts between the BLM regulations regarding lease termination and the Mineral Leasing Act of 1920. The session will also address the various means by which federal oil and gas leases may be placed in a suspended status – an emerging issue of importance given recent unstable commodity prices.

ROBERT C. MATHES, Bjork Lindley Little PC, Denver CO

TIMOTHY R. CANON II, Bjork Lindley Little PC, Denver CO



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Canon II

10:00 – 10:20 am - **Break**



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McArthur

10:20 – 11:10 am

“As Much a Part of the Contract – As Effectually One of Its Terms – As if Plainly Expressed”: U.S. Oil and Gas Implied Covenants Explained

Some of the most important rights in the oilfield are governed by unwritten implied covenants. For instance: How much development is required? When must a lessee offset drainage? Do lessees have to test multiple reservoirs? What kind of price is acceptable and what deductions are allowed? How much must a lessee accommodate the landowner's uses, and vice versa? Most leases do not address these issues, and most disputes in these areas therefore are decided by the implied covenants. Yet few understand that the covenants are as much a part of the contract as the written terms, even though this point was made by the leading implied covenant case decided back in 1906. This talk will discuss the covenants, explain when express terms preempt covenants, and discuss how and where the covenants accommodate the new intersection of fracking and horizontal drilling and resulting shale production. It will provide a basic understanding of each core covenant and explore three areas where new covenants might be warranted: (1) an implied duty to

restore the lease; (2) an implied duty to disclose information; and (3) an implied duty to charge no more than actual (as well as reasonable) cost.

JOHN BURRITT MCARTHUR, Law Offices of John Burritt McArthur, Berkeley, CA

11:10 – 12:10 pm

Title Aspects of Purchase and Sale Agreements: Defects, Adjustment Mechanisms, and Remedies

Title defect provisions are among the most intensely negotiated aspects of purchase and sale agreements and exchange agreements for oil and gas properties. This presentation will discuss issues that typically arise in such negotiations and common resolutions: the appropriate title standard; the types of defects that will be accepted as permitted encumbrances (including different standards for producing properties compared to undeveloped properties); mechanisms for handling asserted defects including exclusion of affected properties; purchase price adjustments; determination of defect value including nonlinear defects (such as disproportionate impacts on the net revenue interest compared to the working interest); use of individual and aggregate defect thresholds and deductibles; and the interplay of title defect provisions with other purchase price adjustments (such as those dealing with environmental issues, “walk” provisions for termination of the agreement if defects exceed a specified threshold, and defect waivers, partial waivers, and potential gaming of such provisions). The presentation will also discuss pre- and post-closing title curative issues, including substitute acreage and indemnification provisions; waiver provisions; and dispute resolution alternatives for disputed defects and defect values (including expert determination and arbitration, selection of experts, the use of “baseball” clauses, and other considerations). The presentation will finish with a discussion of the post-closing interplay of the title defect provisions with a special warranty of title in the assignment of the properties.

STEVEN B. RICHARDSON, Bryan Cave LLP, Denver, CO



Steven B. Richardson

12:10 pm - *Adjournment*

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SPECIAL FUNCTIONS

WEDNESDAY, JULY 15

Young Professionals Reception

(6:00 – 8:00 pm - Location to be announced)

This gathering offers young professionals and their significant others an opportunity to meet young lawyers, landmen, and other professionals from around the country and around the world. Meet and network over drinks and hearty hors d'oeuvres, learn more about the Foundation, and discuss how the Foundation can better serve professionals in the first decade of their career. A nominal charge for attendees. Afterwards you can bring the whole family to the hosted dessert reception.

Dessert Reception

(8:00 – 10:00 pm at the Anchorage Museum)

Join us for a special evening at the Anchorage Museum. Sweet treats for the entire family, and the Museum is all ours. Visit the outstanding Smithsonian Collection of Native art and cultural objects, which includes hundreds of historical and cultural treasures on loan from the Smithsonian Institution, as well as the Alaska Gallery, Art of the North, and the Imaginarium Discovery Center for the kids. Fun for everyone! This event is free to all registrants and families, but please note the number of guests on the registration form. Everyone must have a ticket to attend.

THURSDAY, JULY 16

Newcomers Breakfast *(7:15 – 8:15 am)*

For newcomers to the Foundation who would like to learn more about participating in Foundation activities, committees, and programs.

International Lunch *(12:10 – 2:00 pm)*

For registrants working in the international arena who would like to network with other professionals and learn more about the Foundation's international programs and outreach efforts. Stan Foo, General Manager for Donlin Gold LLC, will present "Earning a Social License: Donlin Gold, an Example in Alaska."

In-House Counsel Lunch *(12:10 – 2:00 pm)*

Limited to in-house counsel. This is an opportunity to meet your peers, socialize, and network. Randal G. Buckendorf, Managing Counsel for BP – Alaska Region will discuss the oil and gas legal practice in the setting of North Slope fields.

Natural Resources Law

Teachers Lunch *(12:10 – 2:00 pm)*

For full- and part-time academic faculty who would like to network with new and old friends. Professor Betsy Baker, with Vermont Law School and the University of Washington School of Law - Anchorage Program, will discuss Law of the Sea, with a continental shelf focus.

Hosted Reception *(5:00 – 7:00 pm)*

For registrants, guests, and families, to be held on the terrace of the Dena'ina Convention Center, with spectacular views of the Chugach Range. Bring the kids – fun food and drink for the smaller people in your family also.

FRIDAY, JULY 17

Portia's Lunch *(Noon – 2:00 pm)*

For professional women from different generations, cities, and practices, Portia's lunch is an opportunity to meet, network, share experiences, and enjoy a presentation by Judge Morgan Christen, Circuit Judge of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit.

IPAA Law Committee

Meeting Lunch *(Noon – 2:00 pm)*

For IPAA members and interested professionals, speakers will present Current Legal Issues for Producers.

- Professor Emeritus Patrick Martin will discuss recent Louisiana oil and gas legal developments and dormant minerals issues.
- Professor Emeritus Bruce Kramer, Of Counsel at McGinnis, Lochridge & Kilgore, LLP, Houston, will discuss current royalty litigation with an emphasis on recent Texas decisions.
- Jonathan Airey, IPAA Law Committee Chairman, and John Keller from Vorys Sater Seymour and Pease LLP, Columbus, will discuss the recent Ohio Supreme Court preemption decision and compare it with other decisions impacting local regulation of oil and gas.

THINGS TO DO

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- Spot a jumping salmon at the Anchorage Sportfish Hatchery. Watch many of Alaska’s famed king and silver salmon leap high above churning water with the inner drive to spawn during annual “runs” at this 134,000 square foot facility over Ship Creek. www.alaska.org/detail/william-jack-hernandez-fish-hatchery
- Go back in time at the Alaska Native Heritage Center, with centuries-old dances and shows by volunteers from Alaska’s diverse Native groups. Take a tour of the authentic Native dwellings along the shores of Lake Tuilana and be introduced to the traditional life ways of the Athabascan, Inupiaq/St. Lawrence Island Yupik, Yup’ik/Cup’ik, Aleut, Alutiiq, Eyak, Tlingit, Haida, and Tsimshian peoples. www.alaskanative.net
- Visit the largest concentration of glaciers in Alaska aboard the 26 Glacier Cruise, which can be done in a single day. Short on time? Check out the Glacier Quest Cruise. www.26glaciers.com or call 907-276-8023 (code ROCKY15 for a discount)
- Visit with a bear at the Alaska Wildlife Conservation Center, home to brown and black bears that, for various reasons, can no longer survive in the wild. Investigate their habits and habitats at this spacious facility in Portage. www.alaskawildlife.org
- Ride the rails aboard the Alaska Railroad Glacier Discovery train along the Spencer Whistle Stop route, where a unique Diesel Multiple Unit (DMU) will chug down scenic Turnagain Arm straight to the flanks of Spencer Glacier. A rafting or canoeing day trip will bring kids up close and personal with a natural wonder. www.alaskarailroad.com/OurTrains/GlacierDiscovery/tabid/101/Default.aspx
- Play golf, with tee times between 5am and 10pm (22 hours of functional daylight). www.anchoragegolfcourse.com
- Dig for dinosaur bones. Well, you can’t really dig for them, but the Alaska Museum of Natural History in Mountainview has skeletal remains from many of Alaska’s early creatures, some of whom would fill an entire house with their bulk! Don’t miss the Dig Pit, scavenger hunts, and the Wild and Wooly Mammoth. www.alaskamuseum.org

Moondogs – The Band

Join our own Susan Miller Bisong and Stuart Butzier and their fabulous band, Moondogs, at the ICE BAR at World Famous Chilkoot Charlie’s on Friday night, July 17, from 8:00pm-midnight. Chilkoot’s is a local institution, having won many Best of Bar awards with its unique Alaskan theme and its wide variety of entertainment. It features a rustic Alaska atmosphere with sawdust-covered floors, 3 stages, 3 dance floors, and 10 bars. The ICE BAR features a bar top constructed out of 25 feet of solid ice. Literally filled to the rafters with famous band photos and autographs, huge beer can collections, and tons of Alaska memorabilia, a person could wander around Chilkoot Charlie’s for days and still not see everything. Voted one of this year’s top bars by the Nightclub and Bar Association. Not to be missed!

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The Tinnah is the symbol of wealth among the Tlingit.

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