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October 12, 2017

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## **Highlights**

- Presentation with Mark McCollum, CEO of Weatherford International plc on the oilfield services sector and expectations of legal counsel
- Oilfield Services A Market Update
- Cybersecurity: Latest Developments and the Impact on the Oilfield Services Sector
- What Oilfield Services Attorneys Need to Know About the Latest Oilfield Services Transactions Before the DOJ Antitrust Division
- How to Effectively Manage Disputes in a Brave New World
- Perspectives from the Boardroom

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## Conference Co-Chairs

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### 7:00 REGISTRATION OPENS

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## 7:30 PRE-CONFERENCE WORKSHOP ON NEW TECHNOLOGY - B.S.E.E. APPROVAL & IMPLEMENTATION OF BAST: TECHNOLOGY & LAW IMPLICATIONS FOR MANAGED PRESSURE DRILLING OPERATIONS (.5 hr)

- Crystal Cunniff, BHP Billiton, Houston, Texas
- John Kozicz, Technology Manager, Transocean, Houston, Texas
- Robert M. Pilko, Strategic Relationship Director, Blade Energy Partners, Houston, Texas
- Skyler Obregon, Regional Compliance Counsel U.S. and Canada, Weatherford International plc, Houston, Texas

### 8:30 BREAK & REGISTRATION

## 8:40 WELCOME, OVERVIEW AND INTRODUCTIONS

## 8:45 OILFIELD SERVICES – A MARKET UPDATE (0 hr)

While oilfield service activity in the U.S. increased meaningfully throughout 2017, the industry recovery has been affected by continued uncertainty regarding the outlook for commodity price normalization. The speakers will share their views on the macro oil and gas situation and outlook, discuss recent U.S. oilfield service sector trends, highlighting a few of the more favorable subsectors, and review how the above has affected recent M&A and capital market transactions and the prospects for further deal activity.

- Derek J. Anchondo, Shareholder, Greenberg Traurig, LLP, Houston, Texas
- Mike Scott, Managing Partner, Founder, Pelican Energy Partners L.P., Houston, Texas
- Paul R. Steier, Managing Director, Simmons & Company International®, Energy Specialists of Piper Jaffray®, Houston, Texas

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## 9:30 CYBERSECURITY: LATEST DEVELOPMENTS AND IMPACT ON THE OILFIELD SECTOR – INSIDER AND EXTERNAL THREAT ACTOR RISKS AND BEST PRACTICE TIPS FOR COUNSEL (.75 hr)

- Louis Bladel, Executive Director,
   Assurance Services, Fraud Investigation and Dispute Services, EY,
   Washington, D.C.
- Jennifer B. Seale, Baker McKenzie, Washington, D.C.

### 10:15 BREAK

# 10:30 ANTITRUST: WHAT OILFIELD SERVICES ATTORNEYS NEED TO KNOW ABOUT THE LATEST OILFIELD SERVICES TRANSACTIONS BEFORE THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE ANTITRUST DIVISION AND VIEWS ABOUT THE TRUMP ADMINISTRATION (1 hr)

The panel will provide an overview of the HSR Premerger Notification system, including pitfalls and how to avoid pratfalls. The panel will walk the audience through the merger review process, using recent oilfield services transactions as mini-case studies. The panel will also discuss antitrust enforcement under the Trump Administration and compare and contrast it with enforcement under the Obama Administration, and provide an update on trends and new developments in antitrust enforcement abroad.

- Thomas Fina, Baker Botts L.L.P., Washington, D.C.
- Michael G. Egge, Latham & Watkins LLP, Washington, D.C.

## 11:30 LITIGATION: HOW TO EFFECTIVELY MANAGE DISPUTES IN A BRAVE NEW WORLD (.75 hr)

The litigation paradigm has changed. Leading lawyers will address best practices regarding dispute avoidance, early case assessment and disposition, and cost-control alternatives to help control the bottom line.

- Eric Chenoweth, Investment Manager, Legal Counsel, Bentham IMF, Houston, Texas
- Brendan D. Cook, Baker McKenzie, Houston, Texas

- Cortlan H. Maddux, Senior Corporate
   Counsel Litigation, Diamond Offshore
   Drilling, Inc., Houston, Texas
- Nicola Young, Vice President Legal, Shawcor, Houston, Texas

## 12:15 KEYNOTE PRESENTATION (0 hr)

## Thoughts from the CEO

Weatherford's Mark McCollum sharing his thoughts on the oil field services sector today, assuming the helm at Weatherford and what he values in and expects of legal counsel.

 Mark McCollum, Chief Executive Officer, Weatherford International plc, Houston, Texas

### 12:45 LUNCHEON

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## 1:45 PERSPECTIVES FROM THE BOARDROOM (1 hr)

## Moderator

 Robert F. Gray, Jr., Mayer Brown, Houston, Texas

## **Panelists**

- Marcela E. Donadio, Member of the Board of Directors, Marathon Oil Company, National Oilwell Varco, Inc. and Norfolk Southern Corporation, Houston, Texas
- Barbara Duganier, Member of the Board of Directors, Buckeye Partners, L.P. and MRC Global, Houston, Texas

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# 2:45 HOT CONTRACTING ISSUES – WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW ABOUT MASTER SERVICE AGREEMENTS AND NEW CONTRACTING APPROACHES IN THIS CONTINUED LOW-PRICE ENVIRONMENT (1 hr)

The low-cost environment is putting pressures on not only price but negotiated terms in Master Service Agreements. This panel will explore how Master Service Agreement negotiations have changed in the past few years as a result of the economic environment as well as strategies to overcome objections. The discussion will also include hot topics such as indemnity, insurance, alternative dispute resolution and more.

- Sandy Cofer, Senior Counsel, Chevron North America Exploration and Production Company, Houston, Texas
- James A. Collura, Bradley Arant Boult Cummings LLP, Houston, Texas
- Michaelyn Gerdes, Legal Counsel, Forum Energy Technologies, Houston, Texas
- Emlyn Kerr, VP & Associate General Counsel, Edgen Group, Houston, Texas

## 3:45 BREAK

## 4:00 SPEED DATING WITH EMERGING RISKS FOR OILFIELD SERVICE COMPANIES (.5 hr)

A fast-paced overview discussion of emerging risks facing oilfield services companies, from the latest on earthquake litigation to maritime issues.

- John A. Connor, President,
   GSI Enviornmental, Inc., Houston, Texas
- Elana H. Evans, Senior Counsel –
   Downstream, WellChem Technologies,
   and Energy Services Compliance, NALCO
   Champion, an Ecolab Company, Sugarland,
   Texas
- Elizabeth Robertson Taber, King & Spalding, Houston, Texas
- Andrew M. Stakelum, King & Spalding, Houston, Texas

# 4:30 ETHICS: A JOURNEY FROM THE DARK-SIDE OF INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS AND WHAT BUSINESS LAWYERS NEED TO KNOW TO PROTECT THEIR ORGANIZATION REGARDING CORRUPTION AND ETHICS RISKS (1 hr Ethics)

 Richard Bistrong, FCPA, Anti-Bribery & Compliance Consultant, Writer and Speaker, Front-Line Anti-Bribery LLC, New York, New York

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