



### 8th Law of Shale Plays Conference



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**September 6 - 7, 2017** 

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#### Highlights Include

- The Appalachian Storage Hub: Why It's Important to You
- Going Global A North American Gas Update
- Security and Cybersecurity Issues in the Shale Plays: How Will You Respond?
- Litigation Update Hot Topics and Future Disputes
- Insights and Advice from General Counsel from ExxonMobil, Range Resources, Pennsylvania General Energy, and Rex Energy
- What Infrastructure Does the Gas Industry Need?
   What Infrastructure Will the Opposition Allow?
- Let's Get to Work! (Without Making the Same Hiring Mistakes)
- Update on Royalty Litigation
- Regime Change and Rollback Federal Environmental Regulatory Update

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#### 7:30 REGISTRATION

#### 8:30 WELCOME, OVERVIEW AND INTRODUCTIONS

#### **CONFERENCE CO-CHAIRS**

- Bridget D. Furbee, Steptoe & Johnson PLLC, Bridgeport, West Virginia
- Jennifer L. McDonough, Senior Vice President, General Counsel and Corporate Secretary, Rex Energy Corporation, State College, Pennsylvania

#### 8:45 GOING GLOBAL - A NORTH AMERICAN GAS UPDATE (0 hr)

- **Dragos Neacsu**, BP North America Gas & Power, Houston, Texas

### 9:30 LET'S GET TO WORK! (WITHOUT MAKING THE SAME HIRING MISTAKES) (.75 hr)

As we begin to see an uptick in business, it's time to think about adding workers. Hiring and onboarding correctly is less expensive than the alternative. This session reviews common problems, legal and practical, in the hiring and onboarding process, with compliance tips for adding workers when ready without adding unnecessary headaches and costs.

- James F. Glunt, Reed Smith LLP, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

#### 10:15 BREAK

### 10:35 EMERGING CAPITAL SOURCES AND OPPORTUNITIES IN THE OIL & GAS SPACE (1 hr)

With the oil and gas industry slowly recovering from recent sharp declines in commodity prices, many traditional sources of capital have backed away from providing additional funding. This economic trend has led to the rise of alternative and differentiated approaches to providing the capital necessary for the development of oil and gas assets, as well as the liquidity needs of the midstream, downstream and oilfield service sectors that are associated with upstream development. Companies across the spectrum of the oil and gas life cycle need to understand the new opportunities available to them to finance their operations.

#### **MODERATOR**

Ryan T. Purpura, McGuireWoods LLP, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

#### **PANELISTS**

- Mark Friedland, Managing Director, Chief Legal and Compliance Officer, Orion Energy Partners, New York, New York
- I. Bobby Majumder, Perkins Coie LLP, Dallas, Texas
- Petter Stensland, CIO, Energy Opportunities, AllianceBernstein, New York, New York

## 11:35 WHAT INFRASTRUCTURE DOES THE GAS INDUSTRY NEED? WHAT INFRASTRUCTURE WILL THE OPPOSITION ALLOW? (.75 hr)

A primer on natural gas gathering, processing, fractionation, NGLs and transportation, as well as tactics and strategies being used to oppose infrastructure projects.

- Marc Halbritter, Senior Vice President, Business
   Development, Blue Racer Midstream, Dallas, Texas
- Curtis Stambaugh, Assistant General Counsel for Projects, Energy Transfer Partners, L.P., Harrisburg, Pennsylvania

#### 12:20 LUNCH

### 12:50 THE APPALACHIAN STORAGE HUB: WHY IT'S IMPORTANT TO YOU (0 hr)

 Steven B. Hedrick, President and CEO, Mid-Atlantic Technology, Research & Innovation
 Center (MATRIC), South Charleston, West Virginia

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#### 1:30 BREAK

### 1:45 OIL & GAS HEDGING – AN INTRODUCTION TO THE HOW, THE WHY AND THE LEGAL ASPECTS (.5 hr)

This session will be an interactive discussion of the "how", the "why" and the legal aspects of oil and gas hedging. Producers often use hedging as a risk management tool to protect against price movements of oil and gas, but it is a market that is commonly misunderstood. Join us for a discussion of the basics with legal and business experts who work in this area on a daily basis who will help to demystify the hedging process.

- Ryan Kelly, Senior Portfolio Manager, Asset Risk Management, LLC, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania
- Travis J. Wahl, Vorys, Sater, Seymour and Pease LLP, Columbus, Ohio
- Nancy Nicole "Nici" Workman, Vorys, Sater, Seymour and Pease, LLP, Columbus, Ohio

### 2:15 SECURITY AND CYBERSECURITY ISSUES IN THE SHALE PLAYS: HOW WILL YOU RESPOND? (1 hr)

This presentation will explore security and cybersecurity issues in the shale plays and the need for robust planning to prevent, thwart, and respond to threats and incidents. Attendees will consider recent analyses of industry threats and corporate compliance efforts, then review steps needed to maximize efforts, in order to assess their company's level of preparedness.

 Shawn A. Morgan, Steptoe & Johnson PLLC, Bridgeport, West Virginia

#### 3:15 BREAK

### 3:30 LITIGATION UPDATE – HOT TOPICS AND FUTURE DISPUTES (1.5 hr)

The oil and gas industry's rapid growth over the past decade has required courts across the United States to consistently address novel legal issues impacting oil and gas development. This panel of seasoned trial attorneys will present and discuss important judicial developments in oil and gas law from multiple jurisdictions, including current litigation trends.

#### MODERATOR

 Cole T. DeLancey, Counsel – North Region, Cabot Oil & Gas Corporation, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

#### **PANELISTS**

- David K. Hendrickson, Hendrickson & Long, PLLC, Charleston, West Virginia
- Kara S. Eaton, Frost Brown Todd LLC, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania
- Stephan D. Selinidis, Reed Smith LLP, Houston, Texas
- Matt W. Warnock, Bricker & Eckler LLP, Columbus, Ohio

### 5:00 - NETWORKING RECEPTION 6:30

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#### 8:25 INTRODUCTION

- Conference Co-Chairs

### 8:30 INSIGHTS AND ADVICE FROM GENERAL COUNSEL (1.25 hr)

This panel of senior industry lawyers will address the concerns of general counsel in operating and developing shale plays given the current price and industry challenges.

#### **MODERATOR**

Jennifer L. McDonough, Senior Vice President,
 General Counsel and Corporate Secretary, Rex
 Energy Corporation, State College, Pennsylvania

#### **PANELISTS**

- Randall M. Ebner, Vice President and General Counsel, Exxon Mobil Corporation, Irving, Texas
- Lisa McManus, Vice President, Legal & General Counsel, Pennsylvania General Energy Company, LLC, Warren, Pennsylvania
- David P. Poole, Sr. Vice President General Counsel & Corporate Secretary, Range Resources Corporation, Fort Worth, Texas

#### 9:45 UPDATE ON ROYALTY LITIGATION (.5 hr)

Class action and individual royalty litigation continues to be filed throughout the country, including the Appalachian Basin. The speaker will provide an overview of the applicable standards regarding royalty calculations, with an emphasis on an update and review of recent cases of interest in the Appalachian Basin.

 Timothy M. Miller, Babst Calland, Charleston, West Virginia

#### 10:15 BREAK

### 10:30 REGIME CHANGE AND ROLLBACK – FEDERAL ENVIRONMENTAL REGULATORY UPDATE (.75 hr)

The arrival of the Trump Administration is having ground-shifting effects on the federal regulatory regime. With some aiming to ensure the "deconstruction of the administrative state," the regulated community is looking to seize opportunities for reform, but uncertainty abounds. This presentation will provide an overview and update on potential and realized changes to federal environmental regulations in the Trump Administration, focusing on those of greatest interest to the upstream and midstream natural gas sectors.

- Avi Garbow, Gibson, Dunn & Crutcher LLP, Washington, DC
- Kirsten Nathanson, Crowell & Moring LLP, Washington, DC

### 11:15 FROM COMPLAINT TO CLOSING, ETHICAL ISSUES FROM THE *ELY V. CABOT* CASE (1 hr ethics)

Ethical considerations arise throughout all aspects of a litigation, from the filing of a complaint to closing arguments. During this session, we will address some of the myriad ethical issues that arose during the highly-publicized litigation involving residents in Dimock, Pennsylvania against Cabot Oil & Gas, which has been ongoing since November 2009, and how those issues were addressed by the Court or impacted the litigation.

- Amy L. Barrette, Blank Rome LLP,
   Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania
- Jeremy A. Mercer, Blank Rome LLP,
   Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

#### 12:15 ADJOURN

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