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OIL, GAS AND MINERAL LAW

We preserve and protect your rights.



Pennsylvania law allows properties to be divided into surface and subsurface entities, opening the way for investments in rich reserves of oil, gas and minerals located below the surface. We help you understand your options with respect to the leasing of these reserves.

Oil, Gas and Mineral Law involves more than a knowledge of contracts and real estate transactions. It requires experienced attorneys who understand the impact that these reserves can have on the property's long-term value and its environmental implications.

For those public entities that are ready to proceed, we help you set up the legal framework for an oil, gas or mineral excavation operation. We counsel you on permitting and licensing issues and special considerations, ensuring that the project complies with local, state, and federal laws, including environmental protection and workplace safety. We work to limit your potential liability at every step.

As with any project, challenges can occur. We counsel you on property damage or bodily injury resulting from gas operations, disputes over ownership of surface and subsurface estates in real property. When needed, we are prepared to aggressively defend your position, ensuring that your district or municipality is protected.

We know the oil, gas and mineral industry. Let us put our experience to work for you.

OUR SERVICES

Contracts

- Agreements of sale or lease for oil, gas and mineral rights
- Right of way agreements
- Surface use agreements
- Royalty agreements

Environmental Guidance

- Impact assessments
- Staging areas and well pads
- Pipeline easements
- Water impoundments
- Water testing
- Regulatory compliance

Dispute Resolution & Litigation

- State and federal eminent domain matters
- Property damage
- Bodily Injury

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