

Energy - Oil & Gas

From the geology to the refinery, we understand the oil and gas business. Our knowledge and deep experience allow us to provide insightful advice and counsel to our clients in this sector. Whether exploration and production, midstream, downstream, land rights, or pipeline safety, we have handled consequential oil and gas cases successfully for our clients.

Bailey Glasser is and has successfully handled litigation regarding Joint Operating Agreements (JOAs), Working Interest disputes, oil and gas drilling rights, lease disputes, coalbed methane and coal mine methane rights, enhanced oil recovery (EOR), farm-ins and farm-outs, production sharing contracts, downstream marketing agreements, gas transportation contracts, covenants to develop, drilled and retained acreage.

Like our mining lawyers, our oil and gas lawyers understand the regulatory environment in which our clients operate. We know the ins and outs of the permitting, compliance, and enforcement regimes surrounding oil and gas activities.

Experience

- Representing oil and gas operator in multi-party dispute over intricate and high-dollar lease acquisition, development, and Joint Operating Agreements (JOAs) agreements for shale gas reserves in West Virginia
- Representing pipeline operators in cases related to allegations that they are responsible for property damage occurring as a result of pipeline leaks or explosions
- Representing major oil and gas operators in litigation alleging trespass to minerals in Central Appalachia
- Represented large landowning company in lease dispute centered on intentional breaches of anti-assignment provision in oil and gas lease, including investigating and litigating potential of Enhanced Oil Recovery (EOR) operation to impinge upon reserve area; used innovative damages theories, which were approved by the trial court, to force a favorable settlement
- Represented roughly 50 independent oil and gas producers in complex commercial litigation regarding firm-price transportation agreements; after our position survived a motion to dismiss, we successfully concluded multilateral negotiations regarding those agreements
- Represented large landowning company in arbitration in which our strategy yielded recovery of hundreds of thousands of dollars in damages, including our client's attorneys' fees, within a year

of initiating the action

- Represented Petco Petroleum in a series of cases relating to hydraulic fracturing and the migration of NGPL's storage gas into Petco's oil and gas reservoirs in a 48-square mile former Exxon oil field; the firm held NGPL's \$3.4 million damages claim to \$420,000 in one case, and vindicated Petco's development rights to a substantial shale gas formation in the other case on summary judgment
- Represented clients sued by plaintiff in state court for control of an oil and gas company; the firm caused the case to be transferred to an arbitration in Florida and the case resulted in arbitrator's denial of relief for plaintiff and award in favor of defendant in excess of \$300,000 including attorney's fees
- Defended an electric utility company against a rural electric cooperative's attempt to take over electric service to a large oil field formerly known as the Texaco Salem Unit; case involved testimony from expert petroleum and electrical engineers retained by Bailey Glasser

News & Insights

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08.20.2020

Bailey Glasser Announces Promotions for 2020
02.04.2020

Energy Litigator Brian Swiger Joins Bailey Glasser
05.31.2019

Landowners To Face Increasing Pressure From Pipeline Companies
01.26.2017

Will A Gas Pipeline Be Passing Through Your Land?
12.22.2016