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## Young Litigator Oil & Gas Conference

HOUSTON CITYPLACE MARRIOTT  
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A conference designed for newer (0-10 year) attorneys and those looking to begin representing clients in energy litigation matters, in particular oil and gas matters.



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### Highlights:

- In the Courtroom: Making the Presentation to Win
- From Acquisition to Production: A Litigator's Role
- What an Energy Litigator Needs to Know About the Science and Technology of the Industry
- Oil and Gas Litigation Dockets: Royalties, Leases, JOA/JV/MSA's, Fracking/Environmental
- Advice from In-House and Law Firm Litigators on Managing Energy Litigation

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### 7:45 Registration

Breakfast Sponsor: **Bradley  
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### 8:20 Welcome, Overview and Introductions

### 8:30 What an Energy Litigator Needs to Know About the Science and Technology of the Industry (1 hr)

This session will provide an overview of the technical and operational aspects of oil and gas production that are helpful to understand as an energy litigator.

- **John A. Connor, P.E., P.G., BCEE**, President, GSI Environmental Inc., Houston, Texas
- **Danielle “Danny” Kingham, P.G.**, Senior Hydrogeologist, GSI Environmental Inc., Houston, Texas
- **Lisa J. Molofsky, P.G.**, Geologist, GSI Environmental Inc., Houston, Texas
- **Kenneth L. Walker, Jr. P.E.**, Environmental Engineer, GSI Environmental Inc., Houston, Texas

### 9:30 From Acquisition to Production: A Litigator’s Role (.75 hr)

An overview of the common agreements governing the oil and gas business—leases, division orders, surface use agreements, production sharing contracts, JOAs, gathering agreements, transaction structures—and how they give rise to litigation.

Moderator: **Brittany B. Salup**, Counsel, Chevron Upstream Law, Covington, Louisiana

#### Panelists:

- **Shannan E. Goss**, Counsel - Litigation, Exxon Mobil Corporation, Spring, Texas
- **Jana L. Grauberger**, Liskow & Lewis, Houston, Texas
- **Stephen Pesce**, Senior Counsel, Chevron North America Exploration & Production Company, Houston, Texas

### 10:15 Break >

### 10:30 Oil and Gas Litigation Dockets: An Overview and Update (Part One) (1 hr)

An overview and discussion of recent trends in a variety of traditional energy dockets.

- Royalty Litigation: **Robert D. Woods**, Yetter Coleman LLP, Houston, Texas
- Lease Disputes: **Christopher M. Hogan**, Reynolds Frizzell LLP, Houston, Texas

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### 11:30 Oil and Gas Litigation Dockets: An Overview and Update (Part Two) (1 hr)

An overview and discussion of recent trends in a variety of traditional energy dockets.

- JOA/JV/MSA Disputes: **Harold J. Flanagan**, Flanagan Partners LLP, New Orleans, Louisiana
- Fracking Litigation (Environmental): **Elizabeth Robertson Taber**, King & Spalding LLP, Houston, Texas

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### 12:30 Lunch >

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### 1:45 Practical Tips on Managing Energy Litigation: Advice from In-House and Law Firm Litigators and Litigation Managers (1.25 hr)

Using a case study, this session will provide advice and practical tips on managing energy litigation from inception to trial.

Moderator: **Katherine “Katie” S. Baker**, Bradley Murchison Kelly & Shea LLC, Shreveport, Louisiana

Panelists:

- **Thomas Neal Nobles**, Senior Counsel, Exxon Mobil Corporation, Spring, Texas
- **Shelbi M. McKee**, Land Team Lead, ExxonMobil Upstream Business Development Company, Spring, Texas
- **Joseph L. “Larry” Shea, Jr.**, Bradley Murchison Kelly & Shea LLC, Shreveport, Louisiana

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### 3:00 Litigating in the Age of Social Media (.75 hr)

This presentation will cover issues to consider when litigating in the age of social media.

- **Dan Jacks, Ph.D.**, EDGE Litigation Consulting LLC, Kingwood, Texas

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### 3:45 Break >

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### 4:00 In the Courtroom: Making the Presentation to Win (1.25 hr)

This session will feature a discussion on winning in the courtroom – knowing your audience, persuading your audience, and motivating them to side with your clients. Learn from our distinguished panelists, who have decades of experience trying and presiding over cases at the trial and appellate levels. We will also discuss mistakes that every litigator should avoid in the courtroom.

Moderator: **Louis “Louie” Layrisson**, Baker Botts L.L.P., Houston, Texas

Panelists:

- **Hon. Jane N. Bland**, Justice of the Supreme Court of Texas, Austin, Texas
- **Rebeca A. Huddle**, Former Justice on the Court of Appeals for the First District of Texas, Baker Botts L.L.P., Houston, Texas
- **Ayesha Najam**, Gibbs & Bruns LLP, Houston, Texas

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### 5:15 Adjourn >

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### 5:15-6:15 Reception >

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