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Jim Russell focuses his practice in the areas of natural resources (coal, oil, and gas), commercial transactions, and commercial litigation. Additionally, Mr. Russell has acted as counsel for various syndications involving the development of real estate.

REPRESENTATIVE EXPERIENCE

- Counseled lenders to coal mining and natural gas production enterprises, enabling the lenders to better understand the risks involved in financing mining operations, as well as the remedies available to mitigate those risks.
- Negotiated the disposition of thousands of acres of coal and surface properties owned by a national conservation organization in Ohio and Illinois, and assisted the client organization to convert donated assets into funds for its conservation projects.
- Represented a large energy company in connection with the transfer of its oil, natural gas and coal bed methane assets and reserves located in several states to a subsidiary entity, and assisted the subsidiary in raising invested capital.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

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PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS / AWARDS

- Energy & Mineral Law Foundation
- Chambers USA America's Leading Lawyers for Business
- The Best Lawyers in America®
- Bronze Star
- Vietnamese Cross of Gallantry

INDUSTRY / CIVIC MEMBERSHIPS

- Vision 20/20 Riverfront Development Committee
- Morgantown Chamber of Commerce

PUBLICATIONS / SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS

- Mr. Russell is the author of three published articles and has made presentations on various commercial and mining law topics at CLE seminars in West Virginia, Ohio, and Florida.

