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EDUCATION J.D. University of Denver

Charles Goodin started his legal career as an in-house landman for Exxon in Midland, Texas. He researched title in various courthouses in West Texas and performed curative and negotiated the purchase of leases directly from landowners. He managed brokers buying leases in West Texas and Arkansas. He has a broad base of oil and gas experience having worked the legal aspects of leasing and drilling wells in many prolific basins throughout the country for independent and major oil companies. He also wrote Drilling and Division Order Title Opinions for a Denver-based law firm. His most recent assignment as Vice President, Legal for EnerVest was to defend EnerVest's title to recently acquired producing properties in Ohio in the heart of the Utica Shale play. His primary focus is in energy law with an emphasis on writing Oil and Gas Title Opinions.

REPRESENTATIVE EXPERIENCE

- Performed due diligence reviews of title to oil and gas assets in West Virginia, Pennsylvania, Louisiana, Texas, Wyoming, Colorado, and California
- Defended energy company from hundreds of lessors trying to break oil and gas leases
- Assisted in preparation of title opinions for various clients in Wyoming, Colorado, and Montana
- Defended acquiring company in litigation over the failure of seller to disclose all of its material lease operating expenses
- Drafted numerous purchase and sale agreements for the sale of oil and gas assets in the Jonah Field in Wyoming and properties in Garfield and Los Animas Counties in Colorado
- Responsible for oil and gas title work and landowner negotiations for drilling hundreds of wells over 36 years in Texas, Arkansas, Louisiana, Oklahoma, New Mexico, Colorado, North Dakota, Wyoming, California, West Virginia, Pennsylvania, and Ohio

WORK EXPERIENCE

- 2013 Steptoe & Johnson PLLC
- 2009-2013 Vice President - Legal, EnerVest Operating LLC, Charleston, WV
- 2004-2009 Director of Land & General Counsel, Petrogulf Corporation, Denver, CO
- 2001-2004 Poulson, Odell & Peterson, LLC, Denver, CO

1991-2001 Vice President, Eastern American Energy Corporation, Charleston, WV
1979-1991 District Land Manager & Staff Landman, BP Exploration Inc., Denver, CO; Dallas & Houston, TX
1978 Oil & Gas Attorney, Kenai Oil & Gas, Denver, CO
1977-1978 Landman, Exxon Company USA, Midland, TX
1973 Landman, Bob Puckett, Broker, Williston, ND

MEMBERSHIPS AND AWARDS

INDUSTRY/CIVIC

American Association of Professional Landmen

Founder & Past President, The New Denver Petroleum Club

Past Member, Board of Directors, Junior Achievement

Past Chairman, Ethics Committee, Denver Association of Petroleum Landmen

Volunteer, Gulf Coast Medical Center Hospital