

## Overview

The Steptoe & Johnson DOTO Team is made up of attorneys and professional staff dedicated to drafting DOTOs for some of the industry's largest producers nationwide. The Steptoe & Johnson DOTO Team has extensive experience encompassing several of the most active basins, including Appalachia, the Mid-Continent, and the Rockies.

- Completion of more than 700 DOTOs
- Ability to tailor DOTOs to client specifications
- Experienced DOTO Team with the ability to meet client needs regardless of project size and scope
- Extensive involvement in the National Association of Division Order Analysts keeps our DOTO Team connected to the latest industry trends

## Advantages of DOTOs

- Comprehensive unitized vestments for oil and gas owners, overriding royalty owners, and operators
- The ability to rectify inconsistent vestments contained in drilling title opinions
- Analysis of curative actions undertaken to resolve drilling opinion clouds on title
- Certification of title, which reduces risk for the operator
- Analysis of specific lease provisions prior to payment of royalties

## What do our Clients Say About DOTOs?

*“The big advantage of a DOTO is actually knowing the total working interest in a lease, well, or allocation area. I like to know all of the unleased interests, leases by third parties, and an accurate calculation of our position from a gross working interest and net revenue interest position. To me, it is money well spent!”*

*“Drilling title opinions with multiple production requirements are not beneficial because multiple requirements leave owners in suspense, which, in return, creates a burden on the operator who pays the production taxes. A DOTO removes the confusion and allows a well to be set up for proper payments.”*



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