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**Twenty-Sixth Annual  
Oil and Gas Law  
Short Course**

**October 20-24, 2008  
Doubletree Hotel Downtown  
Houston, Texas**



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The Rocky Mountain Mineral Law Foundation, the Institute for Energy Law, and the Energy & Mineral Law Foundation are co-sponsoring the 26th Annual Oil and Gas Law Short Course in Houston, Texas. This one-week intensive program, developed in 1983 by a group of practicing attorneys, landmen, and experienced law school professors, is continually reviewed and updated to provide registrants with the fundamentals of, and practical training in, important areas of oil and gas law, leasing, contracting, conveyancing, regulation, and practice.

Course materials will be presented through lectures, drafting exercises, and workshops by eleven leading law professors and oil and gas practitioners. Topics covered include accumulation and ownership; conservation regulation; oil and gas leases; technology; royalties; implied covenants; drilling contracts; environmental regulation; drafting instruments; marketing agreements; farmout and joint operating agreements; conveyancing; local regulation; production payments and division orders; pooling and unitization; ethics; and taxation.

This course is essential for attorneys, landmen, paralegals, government employees, and others who are relatively inexperienced in the legal and/or land problems of the oil and gas industry. More experienced individuals often attend this course as a comprehensive review and update. The course provides approximately 30.5 hours of CLE/CPL credit, **including two hours of ethics.**

Because of the participatory formats of this course, enrollment is limited. Paid registrations will be accepted on a first-come, first-served basis. The registration fee includes substantial course materials, coffee breaks, and a hosted reception. Please note that course materials cannot be purchased separately. This course has sold out for the past five years. **Register early!**

For planning purposes, the co-sponsors alternate this course between Texas and Colorado. Next year's Oil and Gas Law Short Course, along with a companion course on Federal Oil and Gas Leasing (offered biennially), is scheduled for October 19-23, 2009, in Colorado.

# Oil and Gas Law

Chair

**Laura H. Burney**

Law Offices of Laura H. Burney  
San Antonio, Texas

**Continuing Education**  
30.5 hours of instruction,  
including 2.25 hours of ethics

## PROGRAM

*Program order and topics are subject to change.*

### Monday, October 20

7:30-8:30	Registration
8:30-8:40	Introductions & Opening Remarks
8:40-9:30	Petroleum Geology and Reservoir Mechanics ( <i>Ehrman</i> )
9:30-10:30	Ownership, Rule of Capture, and Correlative Rights ( <i>Lowe</i> )
10:30-10:45	Break
10:45-Noon	Conservation Regulation ( <i>Martin</i> )
Noon-1:30	Lunch – On Your Own
1:30-2:30	The Oil & Gas Lease: Function and Classification ( <i>Lowe</i> )
2:30-3:30	The Oil & Gas Lease: Defining What is Granted ( <i>Martin</i> )
3:30-3:45	Break
3:45-5:30	The Oil & Gas Lease: Defining the Duration of the Grant ( <i>Martin</i> )
5:30-6:30	Hosted Reception

### Tuesday, October 21

8:00-8:30	Technical Aspects of Oil & Gas Exploration, Production, and Marketing ( <i>Pierce</i> )
8:30-9:00	Common Interests Created in Oil & Gas ( <i>Pierce</i> )
9:00-9:20	Break
9:20-11:20	The Oil & Gas Lease: Defining the Royalty Obligation ( <i>Anderson</i> )
11:20-11:50	The Oil & Gas Lease: Implied Covenants ( <i>Pierce</i> )
11:50-1:00	Lunch – On Your Own
1:00-2:30	Drilling Contracts ( <i>Anderson</i> )
2:30-2:50	Break
2:50-4:20	Environmental Regulation of the Oil and Gas Industries ( <i>Pierce</i> )
4:20-5:00	Surface Access ( <i>Kramer</i> )

### Wednesday, October 22

8:00-8:30	Local Regulation of Oil & Gas Operations ( <i>Kramer</i> )
8:30-10:00	Pooling and Unitization ( <i>Kramer</i> )
10:00-10:15	Break
10:15-11:30	Administration of Production Payments and Division Orders ( <i>Kramer</i> )
11:30-1:00	Lunch – On Your Own
1:00-3:00	Oil & Gas Conveyancing ( <i>Burney</i> )
3:00-3:15	Break
3:15-4:00	Oil & Gas Conveyancing ( <i>Burney</i> )

### Thursday, October 23

8:00-10:00	Joint Operating Agreements ( <i>Barber</i> )
10:00-10:15	Break
10:15-11:30	Farmout Agreements ( <i>Barber</i> )
11:30-1:00	Lunch – On Your Own
1:00-3:00	Marketing Agreements ( <i>Matlock</i> )
3:00-3:15	Break
3:15-5:30	Ethics for Oil and Gas Lawyers and Landmen ( <i>Dzienkowski &amp; Peroni</i> )

### Friday, October 24

8:00-9:30	Red Flags in Oil and Gas Tax Issues for Lawyers and Landmen ( <i>Dzienkowski &amp; Peroni</i> )
9:30-9:45	Break
9:45-11:30	Red Flags in Oil and Gas Tax Issues for Lawyers and Landmen ( <i>continued</i> )
11:30	Adjournment

## Faculty

**Owen L. Anderson**, University of Oklahoma College of Law, Norman, Oklahoma

**Phillip D. Barber**, Attorney-at-Law, Denver, Colorado

**Laura H. Burney**, Law Offices of Laura H. Burney, San Antonio, Texas

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## GENERAL INFORMATION

**Room Reservations:** The Doubletree Hotel Downtown, 400 Dallas Street, Houston, Texas 77002 has blocked rooms for this course until October 1 at the rate of \$145 single/double per night. A limited number of government rate rooms also are available. Ask for the special rates for Oil and Gas Law registrants. For reservations, contact the Doubletree at:

- ◆ Direct 713-759-0202
- ◆ Toll Free 800-222-8733
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Questions or Problems: e-mail [info@rmmlf.org](mailto:info@rmmlf.org)

**Car Rental:** Hertz is offering special discounts by referencing Meeting CV#03NJ0003 and Rocky Mountain Mineral Law Foundation. Make reservations at [www.hertz.com](http://www.hertz.com) or call 800-654-2240 (U.S.); 800-263-0600 (Canada); or 405-749-4434 (International).

**Registration Fees:** Include substantial course materials, refreshments, and hosted functions as listed in this brochure. These fees do not include hotel costs or transportation. Registrations will be accepted only when accompanied by a check, money order, government purchase order or training form, credit card information, or wiring information. No registrations can be processed without payment.

**Registration Cancellations:** Refunds, less a \$50 administrative fee, will be given for cancellations received by 3:00PM on Friday, October 3, 2008. No refunds will be given thereafter, although substitution of attendees may be made by contacting RMMLF. A written request must follow a telephone cancellation. Registrants not entitled to a refund will receive a copy of the written materials. For questions on refunds, complaints, and/or program cancellations, please contact our office at 303-321-8100.

**Course Materials:** The classroom presentations will be supplemented by extensive written materials that will be distributed at the start of the program.

**CLE Credit:** Foundation Institutes are typically accredited by all mandatory CLE states, the AAPL, NADOA and NALTA, and other professional organizations. Attorneys from certain states may be required to pay an additional fee. The course consists of approximately 30.5 hours of continuing education, including 135 minutes of ethics. You must let us know at least 30 days in advance of the conference the states or organizations for which you will need credit (see registration form). RMMLF is a State Bar of California MCLE-approved provider.

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**Tape Recording:** Tape recording of this course is not permitted, except with the express permission of the Foundation.

**Special Needs:** If you have special needs addressed by the ADA, please notify us at least two weeks before the program.

**Tax Deduction:** Education expenses (including registration fees and travel costs) are deductible in the U.S. if they improve or maintain professional skills. Treas. Reg. § 1.162-5.

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