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7:45-8:15	Registration & Breakfast
8:15-8:30	Presentation of Colors & Welcoming Remarks
8:30 – 9:00	Opening – Jim Hund
9:05 – 10:50	Panel 1: Texas v. New Mexico: Drew Darby, Gregg Fulfer, Chris Hosek, and Carol Leach
10:50 – 11:05	Morning Break
11:05-12:25	Panel 2: Air Quality: Colin Leyden, Chris Pepper, and Keith Sheedy
12:25 – 12:45	Break for Lunch
12:45 – 1:45	Luncheon Speaker (Keynote) – Tracee Bentley
1:50 – 3:35	Panel 3: Pipelines: Amanda Hanks, Brent Hamilton, James Mann, and Mitch Murphy
3:35 – 3:50	Afternoon Break
3:50 – 5:10	Panel 4: Managing Produced Water: Dalton DeWinne, Zac Hildenbrand, and Ron Schindler
5:10 – 6:00	Closing Reception



Registration Information

All event attendees must register for the Energy Law Symposium through the Texas Tech Law Review website <http://texastechlawreview.org/energy-law-symposium/>. Then click on the phrase "REGISTER NOW."

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General Public: \$250

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Texas Tech Law Students, Staff, and Faculty: FREE

Livestream Webcast option: \$150

Please note that The Overton Hotel has a limited number of rooms blocked off for attendees from out of town. Please see the "Lodging" information noted on the registration link for details.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the Texas Tech Law Review Symposium Editor Cat Baldo, catherine.baldo@ttu.edu



SPEAKER BIOS



Opening Speaker

Jim Hund

Jim Hund is a named partner at Hund, Krier, Wilkerson & Wright in Lubbock, Texas. He received his JD from Baylor Law School in 1983. In 1988, he became Board Certified in Civil Trial Law by the Texas Board of Specialization. Now, Jim primarily practices in the oil and gas sector.



Panel 1: TX vs. New Mexico

State Representative

Drew Darby

State Representative Drew Darby represents nine counties in West Texas spanning the Concho Valley and Permian Basin, an area larger than seven states. Drew is a product of San Angelo schools and received a business degree and a juris doctorate from the University of Texas at Austin. He also attended the Darden School for Emerging Leaders at the University of Virginia. Drew was elected to the Texas House of Representatives in 2006. Drew is currently serving as Chairman of the Energy Resources Committee, Chairman of the Select Committee on State and Federal Power and Responsibility Committee, and as a member of the Ways and Means Committee and Redistricting Committee. Drew is also the owner of Surety Title with offices throughout West Texas, and is Of Counsel to the Energy and Real Estate practice group at Jackson Walker, LLP.



Panel 1: TX vs. New Mexico

Gregg Fulfer

Gregg Fulfer is a Republican member of the New Mexico State Senate, representing District 41. He was appointed to the seat on December 21, 2018, and sworn into office on December 26, 2018. Prior to his Senate appointment, Gregg served two terms as a Lea County commissioner in New, Mexico.



Panel 1: TX vs. New Mexico

Chris Hosek

Chris Hosek is a principal of Texas Star Alliance, specializing in direct lobbying and state agency relations. Chris has experience with a broad range of legislative issues and policy initiatives including a specific expertise in the energy sector. Chris served as the chief of staff for 5 years to the Chair of the Railroad Commission of Texas, Elizabeth Ames Jones. The Railroad Commission is the regulatory body that oversees Texas' energy industries including all levels of the oil and gas industry, pipeline safety, gas utility rates and the permitting and reclamation of coal and uranium mines.



Panel 1: TX vs. New Mexico

Carol Leach

Carol Leach is an in-house lobbyist for Concho Resources, Inc. in Santa Fe, New Mexico. Carol Leach obtained her JD from Texas Tech University School of Law in 1978.



Panel 2: Air Quality

Colin Leyden

Colin Leyden is Senior Manager of Regulatory & Legislative Affairs at the Environmental Defense Fund in Austin Texas. His areas of expertise are oil and gas, energy policy, ground-level ozone, and air quality. Colin oversees EDF's efforts to improve environmental performance and oversight of oil and gas production activities in Texas. He manages technical experts and policy advocates, and works with state officials, industry partners and NGOs.



Panel 2: Air Quality

Chris Pepper

Chris Pepper is a Shareholder at Winstead PC in Austin, Texas. He is a member of Winstead's Energy & Environmental Practice Group. Chris' practice focuses on air quality and environmental matters relating to laws and regulatory programs established by the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) and US Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). Chris is recognized throughout Texas for his experience in guiding clients through all stages of the environmental permitting process, including the initial application, technical review, and public notice and meeting procedures. He also represents clients in contested proceedings before the State Office of Administrative Hearings (SOAH). A registered patent attorney, Chris holds a Master of Science in Environmental Toxicology and brings a unique technical perspective to client matters. Prior to his private practice, Chris served as an in-house attorney at the Air and Water Quality Sections of the Offices of Legal Services at the TCEQ. He also worked as a senior research associate at the Institute of Environmental and Human Health in Lubbock, Texas, where he was a member of the Vector-borne Zoonoses Laboratory.



Panel 2: Air Quality

Keith Sheedy

Keith is a technical advisor to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality's (TCEQ's) deputy director of the Office of Air, where he provides advice on technical and policy matters. Currently, Keith is the agency's project coordinator on oil and gas issues. Keith received a Bachelor of Science degree in Mechanical Engineering from Texas Tech University in 1987. He joined the Monitoring Operations Division of the Texas Air Control Board in 1988. In 1991, he moved to the Engineering Services Section, where he developed air regulations and rule interpretations, along with addressing technical enforcement matters between regulated companies and the agency. From 2003 to 2012, Keith served as a technical advisor to the TCEQ's Chief Engineer.



Keynote Speaker **Tracee Bentley**

Tracee is the CEO of Permian Strategic Partnership, a coalition of leading Permian Basin energy companies who address challenges to the development of oil and natural gas resources of the Permian Basin. Bentley was most recently the executive director of the Colorado Petroleum Council, a division of the American Petroleum Institute, where she focused on all segments of the oil and natural gas industry in Colorado — including hydraulic fracturing and energy infrastructure — as the state seeks to create jobs, generate more state and local government revenue, and produce more domestic energy.



Panel 3: Pipelines

Amanda Hanks

Amanda Hanks is general counsel for Plains All-American Pipeline in Houston, Texas. Amanda's responsibilities include providing legal advice regarding pipeline operation, including FERC, PHMSA and EPA regulations and compliance, land and real estate matters, state and federal permitting, tariffs, tax, supply chain management, crude-by-rail matters, tugs and barges, trucking, handling of minor litigation, and general legal support. Responsible for drafting and negotiating various contracts, including Master Service Agreements, Crude Purchase Contracts, Connection Agreements, Throughput and Deficiency Agreements, Purchase and Sale Agreements, Joint Tariff Agreements, NAESBs, Easements, Leases, and other agreements related to the construction, ownership and operation of crude oil and natural gas transportation and storage assets. Amanda obtained her JD from Texas Tech University School of Law in 2008.



Panel 3: Pipelines

Brent Hamilton

Brent Hamilton is a named partner at Brady & Hamilton, LLP in Lubbock, Texas. Brent received his BA in Petroleum Land Management from Texas Tech University, and returned there for law school after working in the oil and gas industry. Brent was admitted to the Texas Bar in 1996, and is licensed to practice in all Texas State Courts, and the Federal Courts of Texas and Colorado. Brent has a general civil litigation and energy practice, which focuses on serving the needs of business and land owners. Brent has years of trial experience, and has successfully served as lead trial counsel in numerous cases which have been cited by the State and Federal Courts of Appeal, and the Texas Supreme Court. Brent's energy practice focuses on lease issues, royalty litigation, eminent domain, and wind energy transactions, representing both land owners and energy companies. Brent is a member of the Lubbock County Bar Association, Texas State Bar and American Bar Associations. He has served twice as President of the Hale County Bar Association, and has been appointed to serve on committees for the Seventh Court of Appeals, and the Supreme Court of Texas.



Panel 3: Pipelines

James Mann

James Mann is a partner in Duggins Wren Mann & Romero, LLP in Austin, Texas. Mr. Mann represents most of the major intrastate natural gas pipeline companies in the state of Texas. His practice consists of representing pipeline companies, LNG facilities, gas gathering and processing companies, and gas marketers before regulatory agencies. He also advises those types of companies with respect to regulatory compliance and acquisition and restructuring issues. Mr. Mann has been a legal adviser for members of the Texas Pipeline Association for 25 years. He works closely with company personnel and their legislative representatives on legislative issues in Texas. He has been doing this type of work for over 30 years.



Panel 3: Pipelines

Mitchell Murphy

Mitchell Murphy is Of Counsel at K&L Gates in Houston, Texas. He is a member of the oil, gas and resources practice group in the firm's Houston's office. For over fifteen years, Mr. Murphy has represented exploration and production companies, midstream energy clients and oilfield service providers in a broad spectrum of legal matters, ranging from complex litigation to the negotiation of master service agreements. Mr. Murphy is a key member of the firm's eminent domain practice group, assisting pipeline and utility companies in acquisition and construction projects. Mr. Murphy also retains a significant trial practice, representing energy companies in title disputes, surface use conflicts, and operational disagreements with working interest owners. Mr. Murphy also has a comprehensive oilfield services practice, advising providers and suppliers in contract negotiations and representing them in coverage disputes and collection efforts.



Panel 4: Managing Produced Water

Dalton DeWinne

Dalton DeWinne is a Water Resource Engineer at CrownQuest Operating, LLC in Midland, Texas. Dalton graduated from Texas Tech University in 2015 with a Bachelor's Degree in mechanical engineering. He also obtained a MBA from Texas Tech University's Rawls College of Business in 2016.



Panel 4: Managing Produced Water

Zachariah Hildenbrand

Zachariah is the Chief Technical Officer at Inform Environmental, LLC in Dallas, Texas. Zac graduated from The University of Texas at El Paso with a Bachelor of Science in Biology and Chemistry. He received his PhD in Biochemistry in 2010 and obtained a Post-Doctoral Fellowship at UT Southwestern Medical Center in 2011-2012.



Panel 4: Managing Produced Water

Ronald Schindler

Ronald Schindler is the Vice President and Legal and Chief Compliance Officer of Pioneer Natural Resources in Irving, Texas. Ron has a history of working in the oil & energy industry. He is a strong legal professional skilled in Oil and Gas, Natural Resources, Environment, Compliance, Contract Management, and Strategic Planning.