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Advance registration (prior to May 13) is \$150.00. Late registration (May 13 or later) is \$200.00. Registration includes icebreaker on Thursday evening and lunch on Friday. Make check payable to Mississippi Oil & Gas Law Seminar and mail to:

Mississippi Oil & Gas Law Seminar  
Post Office Box 907  
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## Sixteenth Triennial Mississippi Oil & Gas Law Seminar

Friday, May 19, 2017  
HILTON JACKSON  
1001 East County Line Road  
Jackson, Mississippi 39211

### SEMINAR PROGRAM & SCHEDULE

7:45 - 8:30 a.m. REGISTRATION (refreshments provided)

8:30 - 8:45 a.m. WELCOME AND OPENING REMARKS  
**Alex Bondurant** Seminar Co-Chair -- Representing Mississippi Oil & Gas Lawyers Association  
**George Weathersby** Seminar Co-Chair -- Representing Mississippi Association of Petroleum Landmen

8:45 - 9:30 a.m. **Recent Developments in Mississippi Oil and Gas Law**

**Stan Ingram** Stan is a partner in the Jackson, Mississippi law firm of Biggs, Ingram & Solop, PLLC. He concentrates his practice in the areas of Oil and Gas/Exploration and Regulatory Matters, with specific emphasis in oil and gas title examination (Preliminary, Supplemental and Division Order Title Opinions); review and preparation of joint operating, farmout and exploration agreements; title abstracting, field and mineral acquisitions, 16th Section leasing; acquisition of receivership mineral leases; Geophysical trespass issues and others.

9:30 - 10:15 a.m. **Recent Developments in Alabama Oil and Gas Law**

**John Tyra** John practices oil and gas law in Tuscaloosa, Ala. He is a graduate of the University of Alabama (B.S. 1975; J.D. 1980). His practice includes all aspects of oil, gas and energy law including conducting record title searches, rendering drilling and division order title opinions, litigation, and regulatory proceedings before the Alabama State Oil and Gas Board. John is admitted to practice in Alabama and Mississippi. He is a member of the Alabama, Mississippi and Tuscaloosa County Bar Associations, and has served as Chairman of the Oil, Gas and Mineral Law Section of the Alabama State Bar. John is a frequent speaker at oil and gas law seminars.

10:15 - 10:30 a.m. MORNING BREAK (refreshments provided)

10:30 - 11:30 a.m. **The Impact of MDEQ and the Miss. Oil and Gas Board on Your Oil and Gas Practice**

**Howard Leach** Howard is the Attorney for the Mississippi State Oil & Gas Board. He graduated from Ole Miss with a B. A. Degree in English and a law degree from the University of Mississippi Law School. He served as a Law Clerk to Presiding Justice Robert G. Gillespie and Associate Justice Thomas P. Brady, Jr. of the Mississippi Supreme Court. He worked in the Legal Department of Shell Oil Company for 18 years, where he specialized in both administrative law and legislative matters. He served as a partner in the law firm of Armstrong, Thomas, Leach, Lampton & Arledge for 21 years.

**Mark Williams** Mark earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Industrial Engineering from Mississippi State University and is a registered Professional Engineer. He is a Board Certified Environmental Engineer with specialty certification in solid waste management from the American Academy of Environmental Engineers. He also has specialty certification in municipal solid waste management from the Solid Waste Association of North America. Mark currently directs the state's newly formed Waste Division that will incorporate the Solid and Hazardous Waste program areas along with other associated waste programs into one single media waste division. He has served at MDEQ in the waste programs for almost 30 years.

11:30 - 12:00 noon **Intestate Succession: Navigating Mississippi's Descent and Distribution Laws**

**Ian Austin** Ian is an attorney with the oil and gas practice at Copeland, Cook, Taylor & Bush. Ian earned his Juris Doctor, magna cum laude, graduating in the top ten of his class from Mississippi College School of Law, where he won several competitions and other accolades as a member of the Moot Court Board. His law practice is largely focused on oil and gas administrative, litigation and transactional matters, but also includes construction law, probate matters, business law and commercial litigation, among other things. Ian has rendered numerous title opinions, and has successfully represented clients in mineral title disputes, estate-related matters, and various other property- and contract-related cases. He serves as a Director of the Mississippi Association of Petroleum Landmen, and is a member of the Mississippi Oil and Gas Lawyers Association.

12:00 - 1:00 p.m. LUNCH (provided)

1:00 - 1:30 p.m. **Keynote Speaker -- Energy Prospects for Mississippi**

**Patrick Sullivan** Patrick is President of the Mississippi Energy Institute, a private, non-profit business created to support research and energy policy to foster economic growth in Mississippi. Prior to his work at the Mississippi Energy Institute, Patrick served both as Policy Advisor and as Executive Director of Recovery and Renewal for Governor Barbour. He had oversight of issues pertaining to energy, transportation, environment, agriculture, natural resources, and economic development. In 2010, he was named Executive Director of the Governor's Office of Recovery and Renewal. Patrick is a graduate of Mississippi State University with a Master of Agribusiness Management.

1:30 - 2:30 p.m. **Petroleum Geology for Landmen and Attorneys**

**David W. Miller** David is the owner of Miller Land Professionals, LLC, a full-service land company located in Jackson, Mississippi. He is a Certified Professional Landman and a Registered Professional Geologist. Mr. Miller has generated, sold, and drilled oil and gas prospects, conducted drainage studies, operated wells, performed mineral and estate appraisals, and has served as a consultant on well site geology. In addition, Mr. Miller has supervised large crews of landmen working on oil and gas lease acquisition and due diligence projects for major and independent oil companies. Mr. Miller is currently serving as First Vice President of AAPL and is a member of AAPG.

2:30 - 2:45 p.m. AFTERNOON BREAK (refreshments provided)

2:45 - 3:30 p.m. **Joint Operations in Mississippi's Oil and Gas Industry**

**Eric Patterson** Eric is a partner in the law firm of Blair & Bondurant, P.A. He focuses his practice on the areas of energy, oil and gas, real estate, environmental, and commercial litigation and transactions. Eric earned his bachelor's degree from Delta State University in 2001, and his juris doctorate, summa cum laude, from the University of Mississippi in 2007. Eric has tried cases in the federal and state courtrooms throughout Mississippi, rendered title opinions, and practices before the Mississippi Oil and Gas Board. Eric has held an AV Rating (Preeminent) by Martindale-Hubbell for the past five years. In addition, Eric has served as a Barrister in the Charles Clark American Inn of Court, on the Board of Directors for the Mississippi Bar Young Lawyers Division, on the Board of Directors of the Mississippi Association of Petroleum Landmen, and as President of the Mississippi Oil and Gas Lawyers Association.

3:30 - 4:30 p.m. **Legal Ethics in the Oil & Gas Industry**

**Donald Campbell** Donald is an assistant professor of law at Miss. College School of Law, where he teaches Property; Land Use and Planning; Ethics and Professional Responsibility; Environmental Law; and Construction Law. He received his undergraduate degree from University of Southern Miss., and his J.D. from Miss. College. He is author of several articles and co-author of two treatises on legal and judicial ethics in Miss. (with Jeffrey Jackson) entitled *Professional Responsibility for Mississippi Lawyers and Commentary on Judicial Ethics in Mississippi*. Professor Campbell has served as a clerk for Judge Leslie Southwick on the U.S. Court of Appeals (5th Circuit). He has served as a member of the Committee on Common Interest Communities for the Real Property Section of the Miss. Bar and the Reporter for the Miss. Code of Judicial Conduct Study Committee.

4:30 p.m. CLOSING REMARKS AND ADJOURNMENT

**MISSISSIPPI OIL & GAS LAW SEMINAR  
46 YEARS OF TRADITION**

The Mississippi Oil & Gas Law Seminar is a triennial event jointly sponsored by the Mississippi Oil & Gas Lawyers Association and the Mississippi Association of Petroleum Landmen. The seminar was first presented in 1971. This 2017 seminar is the sixteenth such program the two organizations have planned and produced together. The papers presented at these seminars have proven to be valuable resource tools for the oil and gas lawyer and landman alike.

**MISSISSIPPI OIL & GAS  
LAWYERS ASSOCIATION**

The Mississippi Oil & Gas Lawyers Association is comprised of Mississippi attorneys engaged in the practice of oil and gas law. It was organized in 1959 for the purpose of continuing education in the field of oil and gas law and practice. Luncheon meetings are held monthly with programs relating to oil and gas law or the oil and gas industry. The Association has co-sponsored or supported previous oil and gas seminars and institutes.

**MISSISSIPPI ASSOCIATION  
OF PETROLEUM LANDMEN**

The Mississippi Association of Petroleum Landmen was organized in 1944 and is America's oldest active landmen's association. The Association was organized for the purpose of improving the profession of petroleum landmen. Among its activities are monthly meetings with programs of interest to the industry, a continuing education series of industry seminars, and annual publication of a personnel directory. Also, in 1994 the Association raised funds to move a ninety-two foot derrick, pumping unit and engine from Tinsley Field in Yazoo County to the Mississippi Agriculture and Forestry Museum in Jackson where the exhibit is now displayed in commemoration of the Association's 50th anniversary and the importance of the oil industry to the State of Mississippi. The Internet website of the association is [www.mslandmen.com](http://www.mslandmen.com).

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**George Weathersby  
Co-Chair -- Landmen**

**Alex Bondurant  
Co-Chair -- Lawyers**

**COMMITTEE MEMBERS**

**Ian Austin  
Bert Green  
Elizabeth Miller  
Jim Nix**

**ICEBREAKER**

There will be an icebreaker for seminar speakers and participants in the Penthouse of the Hilton Jackson from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. on Thursday, May 18, 2017. There will be hors d'oeuvres and an open bar.

**HOTEL ROOMS**

A block of rooms have been reserved at the Hilton Jackson. Be sure to mention the seminar when you make your reservations.

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**OIL, GAS AND MINERAL LEASE**

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(whether one or more), whose address is: \_\_\_\_\_  
and \_\_\_\_\_, lessee,  
WITNESSETH:

1. Lessor, in consideration of \_\_\_\_\_ Dollars, receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, and of the covenants and agreements of lessee hereinafter contained, does hereby grant, lease and let unto lessee the land covered hereby for the purposes and with the exclusive right of exploring, drilling, mining and operating for, producing and owning oil, gas, sulphur and all other minerals (whether or not similar to those mentioned), together with the right to make surveys on said land, lay pipe lines, establish and utilize facilities for surface or subsurface disposal of salt water, construct roads and bridges, dig canals, build tanks, power stations, power lines, telephone lines, employee houses and other structures on said land, necessary or useful in lessee's operations in exploring, drilling for, producing, treating, storing and transporting minerals produced from the land covered hereby or any other land adjacent thereto. The land covered hereby, herein called "said land", is located in the County of \_\_\_\_\_, State of \_\_\_\_\_, and is described as follows:

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**MAY 19, 2017**

This lease also covers and includes, in addition to that above described, all land, if any, contiguous or adjacent to or adjoining the land above described and (a) owned or claimed by lessor by limitation, prescription, possession, reversion or unrecorded instrument or (b) as to which lessor has a preference right of acquisition. Lessor agrees to execute any supplemental instrument requested by lessee for a more complete or accurate description of said land.

