

Transactions involving natural resources assets require an organized and well thought out approach to effectively produce maximum efficiencies.

Babst Calland has a seasoned business services group representing clients in transactional matters pertaining to the natural gas, coal, oil and aggregate industries.

We have a comprehensive knowledge of the multitude of codes, regulations and laws that impact the energy business in the Appalachian Basin.

We handle federal and state enforcement matters and acquisitions and divestitures of both producing and nonproducing oil, gas and mining assets. With our energy and natural resources attorneys and the broader group of experienced corporate, construction, environmental, land use and litigation attorneys, Babst Calland offers strong multi-disciplinary energy counsel. Babst Calland represents a multitude of clients from Fortune 500 companies to startups. Our attorneys possess extensive hands-on experience dealing with mergers, acquisitions and divestitures, including the structuring, drafting, review and negotiation of purchase and sale agreements and all components of the deal through post-closing integration.

Babst Calland also covers all aspects of the title process, including title examination and title due diligence. We assist in the seller's preparation for a sale, the buyer's preparation for an acquisition, the negotiation of the purchase and sale agreement, the due diligence process, and the pre-closing, closing and post-closing.

Our oil and gas attorneys regularly structure, draft, review and negotiate contracts relating to exploration and production projects, including preparation of farmout agreements, development agreements and joint operating agreements. We also have extensive experience dealing with federal and

state lands, including federal exploratory and secondary recovery units and a wide variety of issues dealing with access and development rights.

Babst Calland can assist clients in the following transaction and title services:

- Structuring transactions
- Negotiating and drafting purchase and sale agreements
- Negotiating and preparing contracts, such as operating agreements, farmout agreements and surface damage agreements
- Lease purchasing and administration
- Coordinating and conducting due diligence that includes title and environmental reviews
- Structuring and preparing documentation for oil and gas limited partnerships
- Preparing all other land-related agreements (rights-of-way, surface easements, subsurface easements, well participation agreements and others)

In addition, our attorneys assist clients in preparing specific template documents tailored to a particular region or a complete exploration project that can be used by a land department with minimal additional modification by in-house counsel. These template documents and projects include oil and gas leases, memoranda of leases, affidavits and other similar land-related agreements.



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