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A Multi-Disciplinary Firm Providing Legal Services to the Oil & Gas Industry in Pennsylvania

Companies in the oil and natural gas industries operating in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania are facing unprecedented legal headwinds, including:

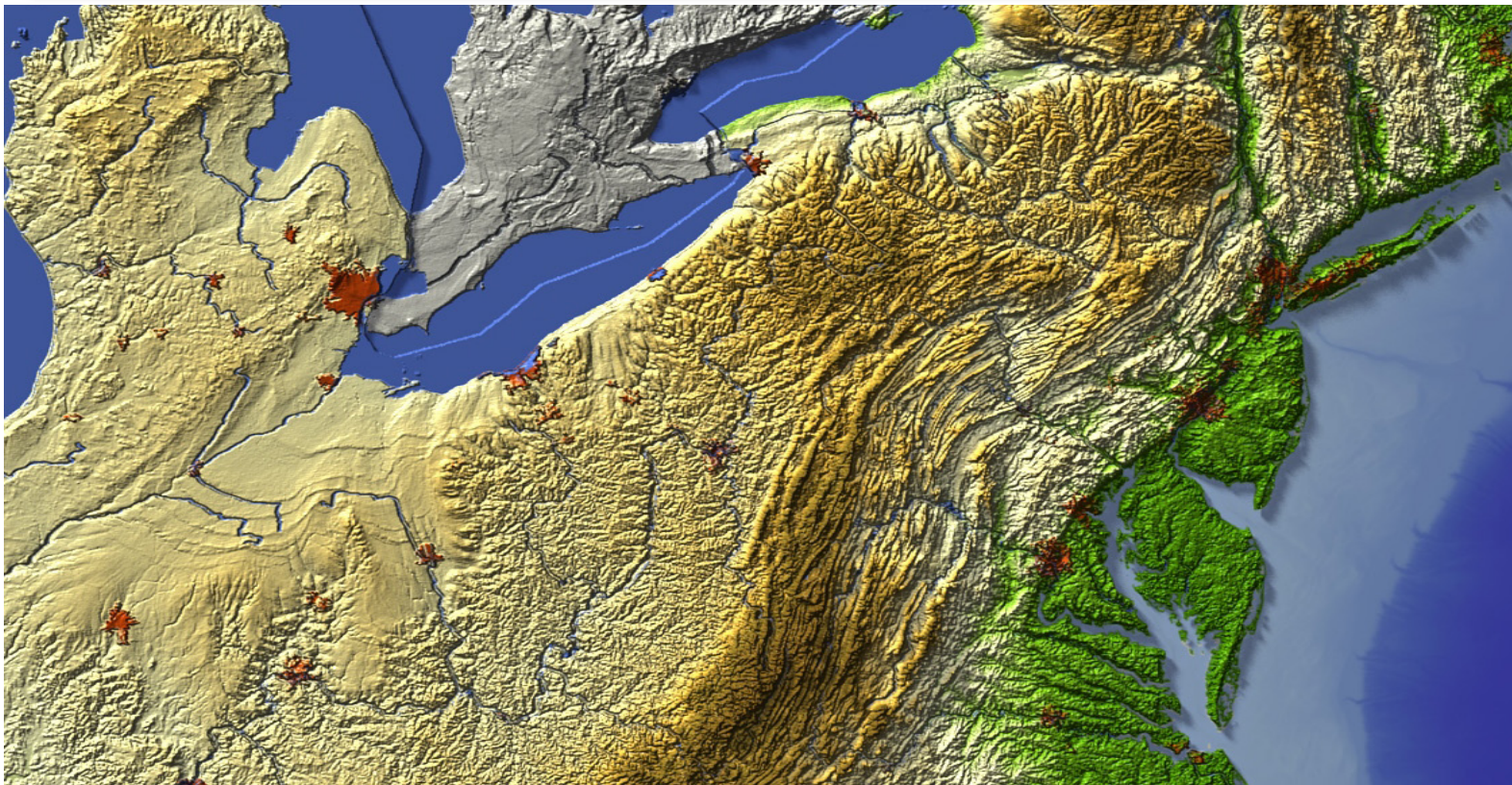
- Increased scrutiny and enforcement efforts from state and federal regulatory bodies.
- Well-funded third-party challenges to permits.
- New environmental regulations from the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection (Pa. DEP) and the related struggle to implement them.

Offering a multi-disciplinary group of practices and attorneys in offices across the state, Post & Schell provides oil and gas companies operating in Pennsylvania counsel on transactional, regulatory, environmental, and governmental affairs matters, represent them in government and internal investigations, and defend them in related commercial, civil and criminal litigation.

Serving the Unique Legal Needs of Companies Operating in the Marcellus and Utica

Companies are facing a complex set of legal issues, from land-use challenges to pipeline construction matters and complex, overlapping regulatory systems; in addition to constant political pressure for more stringent legislation and regulation.

Our more than 30 years of experience representing public utilities, the gas industry, manufacturers, power generators, and land developers provide us with a unique perspective on balancing the extraction of clean, natural gas and new job creation, with the important regulatory and environmental concerns.



As a full-service firm, we offer companies in the oil and natural gas industries counsel related to:

Environmental Transactional, Regulatory, and Litigation

- Environmental permitting, auditing, and regulatory compliance counseling.
- Negotiation of complex agreements allocating environmental and regulatory risks and liabilities associated with the acquisition and divestiture.
- Administrative hearings, appeals, and related representations before state and federal regulatory bodies, and defense of regulatory violations and enforcement proceedings.
- Litigation in state and federal courts in original jurisdiction and appellate matters.

Government Relations and Policy Analysis

- Analysis and advice regarding impact of legislative and regulatory proposals.
- Advocate with legislators and staff regarding specific proposals.
- Advocate to DEP and other agencies regarding proposed regulations.

Energy Transactional, Regulatory, and Litigation

- Extensive experience before the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC), U.S. Department of Energy, U.S. Department of Transportation, the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission (PPUC) and other state public utility commissions and courts.
- Counsel regarding pipeline safety and incident investigations, interstate pipeline operating statements, retail supply competition, purchase and sale of public utility properties, new public utilities, major financings, potential legislation, and proposed regulations.
- Counsel regarding power purchase agreements, interconnection agreements, fuel handling and supply agreements, and lending and security documents.

Civil, Commercial, and Criminal Investigations and Litigation

- Internal and government investigations, including representation in investigations conducted by state and federal regulatory bodies.
- Defense of employees, executives, and company at criminal or civil trial and/or on appeal.
- Counsel clients to develop and implement compliance measures which conform to agency guidance and the federal Organizational Sentencing Guidelines in an effort to mitigate government enforcement actions.
- Advice, counsel, and representation in all aspects of employment law, including issues and claims under all state and federal employment statutes.
- Defense against claims brought for and/or under RICO, breach of fiduciary duty and ultra vires acts, UCC, injunctions, theft of trade secrets, copyright and trademark infringement, Lanham Act, common law fraud and conversion and various consumer fraud statutes.

Construction, Government Contracts, and Surety Law

- Counsel from the initial stages of pre-construction to completion of a construction project.
- Drafting, reviewing and negotiating construction contracts.
- Counsel related to claims avoidance, project delivery methods, risk management, bond claims, and scheduling issues.



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