



MEET PETER

"I strive to give my clients practical, common-sense solutions to problems in language they can understand."
 — Peter Lewis

Peter is a partner in the Business & Finance Department who focuses his practice on energy law. He has experience representing oil and gas producers as well as coal companies in lease negotiations, lease preparation, and both upstream and midstream abstract review and stand-up title examinations. He has also coordinated multi-unit title requests, directed and overseen preparation of curative recommendations, and prepared pre-drill, division order, and coal title opinions.

Peter strives to provide clear, easy-to-understand explanations of ownership to his clients, along with all problems and possible solutions. If there are limitations on what he can provide, he wants his clients to know that up front so they can work together to find a mutually beneficial solution.

In his free time, Peter enjoys fly fishing, reading, hiking, biking, writing, and spending time with his family.

EXPERIENCE

Prior to joining Obermayer, Peter honed his skills through over 30 years of experience at firms across the Appalachian and Illinois Basins. His extensive experience includes participation in projects involving:

- Acquisition of 1.46 million oil and gas acres in the eastern United States (primarily in West Virginia and Pennsylvania);
- Acquisition of over 1 million gross oil and gas acres across the country, including the Appalachian and Illinois Basins;
- Due diligence in connection with the creation of a joint venture for a major oil and gas producer’s Marcellus acreage;
- An IPO for midstream gathering services for production from the Marcellus Shale; and
- Due diligence in connection with the creation of a joint venture for a major oil and gas producer’s Utica acreage.

After moving to Pittsburgh in 2012, Peter was primarily responsible for the training of new attorneys in an

office devoted entirely to oil and gas title work. In a few years the office grew to include ten attorneys, and at its peak years of production generated close to 400 title opinions with revenues in excess of 2.5 million.

NEWS & INSIGHTS

Everyone Likes a Good Deal, but are Land Bank Properties a Good One?

May 20, 2019 by Peter B. Lewis

Obermayer's Pittsburgh Location to Host Upcoming CLE, "Aging America's Challenge to the Law"

April 01, 2019 by Marcelina R. Policicchio, Peter B. Lewis, Andrew J. Horowitz, Michael E. Hooper, Bruce C. Fox, Julie R. Colton, Qiwei Chen, Jeffrey B. Cadle

Lewis Recruits Volunteers Via Tangled Title Cases Seminar

September 28, 2018 by Peter B. Lewis

Drainage and the Rule of Capture in the Oil and Gas Industry

July 31, 2018 by Peter B. Lewis

ACTIVITIES & HONORS

Since 2014, Peter has served as Lead Counsel of the Pittsburgh Pro Bono Alliance Tangled Title Project.

EDUCATION

- Washington & Lee University School of Law, JD
- Indiana University, BA, History

ADMISSIONS

- Kentucky
- Indiana
- Pennsylvania
- West Virginia

CAPABILITIES

Bankruptcy & Business Reorganizations

Asset Acquisition
Creditors' Rights
Debtor Representation

Business & Finance

Corporate

Real Estate

Industry Focus

Financial Services
Individuals & Private Clients
Local Governments & Municipal Authorities
Nonprofit Organizations
Real Estate & Construction