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## **EXPERTISE**

Oil & Gas Exploration and Production

## **EDUCATION**

University of Wyoming College of Law, J.D., 1978 Colorado State University, B.A., *Phi Beta Kappa*, 1975

## **ADMITTED IN**

Colorado, Texas, and Wyoming

Gene Lang's practice focuses on the legal needs of oil and gas producers. A considerable part of Mr. Lang's practice is devoted to the representation of oil and gas producers in the negotiation of master service agreements with oilfield service companies and drilling contracts with drilling contractors. In addition, he represents oil and gas companies in the purchase and sale of producing and nonproducing properties and in the negotiation and drafting of exploration, operating, leasing, surface use, and water management agreements.

Mr. Lang has served as the general counsel of two New York Stock Exchange listed independent exploration and production companies. From 1990 to 1995 he was vice president and general counsel of Plains Petroleum Company, which was based in Lakewood, Colorado. In 1995, Plains Petroleum merged with Denver-based Barrett Resources Corporation, when Mr. Lang was elected senior vice president and general counsel. In 2001, Barrett Resources merged in a \$2.5 billion transaction with a subsidiary of The Williams Companies, Inc. of Tulsa, Oklahoma. At the time of this merger, Mr. Lang served as executive vice president, general counsel, and secretary of Barrett Resources.

From 1986 to 1990, Mr. Lang was in the general litigation section of the Houston office of Vinson & Elkins. He began his career as a staff attorney with KN Energy, Inc., which was then a natural gas production, gathering, transmission, and distribution company.

Mr. Lang's publications include "Recent Developments with Split Estates" published in volume 44 of *The Rocky Mountain Mineral Law Foundation Journal* in 2007. He has been listed in *Who's Who Legal*: Energy. He has also given a number of presentations on oilfield master service agreements and drilling contracts.