

## Holly Occhipinti Thompson

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Holly Occhipinti Thompson is an attorney practicing in the Energy Regulatory group in various areas including oil and gas transactions, operations, litigation, regulations and compliance, acquisitions and divestitures, title, and corporate affairs.

Holly primarily advises energy companies in the acquisition, development and divestiture of assets. This includes the negotiation and drafting of various contracts including operating agreements, production handling agreements, farm-in/farm-out agreements, purchase and sale agreements, transition service agreements, and plugging and abandonment agreements. This also includes title review, assistance with financings, mortgages, drafting legal opinions, and advising on regulatory matters involving BOEM and BSEE.

In her litigation practice, Holly enjoys assisting clients with contractual disputes in the energy industry at both the trial and appellate levels, and has served as special counsel in oil and gas bankruptcies. She has represented clients in disputes regarding offshore operating agreements, production handling agreements, marketing agreements and master service agreements, and clients seeking coverage and reimbursement from insurance carriers. Her work has included acting as special counsel to oil and gas clients to advise such entities and their primary bankruptcy counsel on mineral law issues and how to successfully navigate through Chapter 11 and Chapter 7 proceedings.

Holly graduated from Loyola University New Orleans College of Law as a Professor William L. Crowe, Sr. Scholar, an honor bestowed on students graduating in the top ten percent of the class. *Super Lawyers* Louisiana recognized her as a *Rising Star* in energy and natural resources/corporate law, 2014-2017.

## **Representative Experience**

- Represents industry subsea well containment response consortium on all operations contracts.
- Drafting and negotiating master service agreements, drilling contracts, and other maritime and oilfield service contracts.
- Revamped and streamlined large energy company's master contracts and risk management program and engaged in day-to-day negotiation and administration of contracts with vendors and contractors.
- Advisor to clients on Louisiana and Texas oilfield and construction anti-indemnity statutes.

- Represented oil and gas company in defense of maritime lien claim against companies offshore floating production facility located on the Outer Continental Shelf.
- Key due diligence review for multimillion-dollar oil and gas acquisitions.
- Representing industry clients filing amicus briefs relating to oil and gas issues before the Louisiana Supreme Court.
- Legal due diligence for the purchase of Louisiana LNG operation.
- Handled a key land acquisition agreement for the construction of a hospital facility.
- Representation of oil and gas and oilfield service companies in filing, enforcing, and defending liens and claims arising under Louisiana's Oil Well Lien Act.
- Representation of oil and gas operators in civil penalty proceedings pertaining to noncompliance violations instituted by the Bureau of Ocean Energy Management (BOEM).
- Representation of companies in lawsuits involving contractual indemnity and other general contractual disputes.

## **Bar Admissions**

- Louisiana, 2007
- Pennsylvania, 2009

## Education

- Loyola University New Orleans College of Law. J.D., 2007
  - Honors: Professor William L. Crowe, Sr. Scholar
  - Loyola Law Review: Member
- Louisiana State University. B.A., Political Science and Government, 2003