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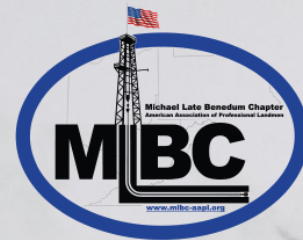
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LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

Hopefully this note finds your new year off to a great start. Winter has certainly arrived and I just read an article titled “U.S. Natural Gas Prices Jump 10% On Arctic Blast.” The Henry Hub Natural Gas price closed yesterday, February 2nd, at \$5.41. On this date last year, the price hovered just below three bucks. Based on recent conversations with industry acquaintances, work is plentiful but the laborers are few. I believe most folks in the industry today are stretched thin and in some cases, unable to find the help they need. Prior to Covid, our industry went through a significant downturn. During this time, many of our colleagues left the industry in search of greener pastures and we are now dealing with the repercussions of such. Nationwide, local chapters of the AAPL have suffered as their membership and attendance numbers are down. Fortunately for the members of both NALA and the MLBC, we have recognized this as an opportunity to grow together rather than dwindle and have focused on ways to “best assist our membership.” As many are aware by now, late last year, the MLBC and NALA entered into an agreement to merge with the MLBC being the surviving organization.

In his letter to the AAPL regarding the MLBC/NALA merger, Randy Littlecott made a statement that stuck with me.

*“After reviewing overlapping membership and the **best way to serve the needs of our membership**, we believe this plan will **position our members for the most success** moving forward. NALA has always strived to support the northern interests of the basin, but as the basin has become more defined and centrally located, along with the challenges of the last couple years, this merger has become a more attractive option to **best assist our membership.**”*



MLBC PRESIDENT, ROB GREINER

Well said Mr. Littlecott. I wholeheartedly agree and encourage us, collectively, to seek out the best ways to serve the needs of our membership while positioning our members for the most success. You can read Randy’s entire letter to the AAPL on the following page.

I welcome our newest members that were recently approved during our January Executive Committee meeting. I believe the entire list of new members came from the NALA merger and I hope to see this list continue to grow in the days ahead. We plan to celebrate the merger by virtue of a Spring Social on Friday, April 22nd. Save the date and stay tuned for information as it becomes available. Also, we have a full slate of upcoming dinner, educational, networking and charity fundraising events. Details can be found on page 20 in this edition. If you haven’t already, please register for the February dinner meeting to be held in Steubenville, Ohio. See you soon!

Ronald Reagan once said *“By working together, pooling our resources and building on our strengths, we can accomplish great things”*. Ain’t that the truth!

Rob Greiner, RPL
President 2021-2022

A MESSAGE FROM NALA (REQUEST FOR DISSOLUTION)

Good morning,

I understand that the AAPL has already been notified of the plans for an MLBC/NALA merger. Please see the email below from the NALA President that was sent out the members.

After experiencing an unprecedented two years in the industry with the impact of Covid on an already significant downturn, we have taken this opportunity to reflect on our role in your careers and the best interests of all our members.

We have been in discussions with the Michael Late Benedum Chapter of the AAPL (MLBC) about a merger, where NALA will be merged with and into MLBC with MLBC being the surviving organization.

After reviewing overlapping membership and the best way to serve the needs of our membership, we believe this plan will position our members for the most success moving forward. NALA has always strived to support the northern interests of the basin, but as the basin has become more defined and centrally located, along with the challenges of the last couple years, this merger has become a more attractive option to best assist our membership.

It has been a pleasure of NALA through the years to be a part of each one of your professional careers and we look forward to continuing to do so in our capacities with the ongoing good works of MLBC.

At this time, NALA is requesting dissolution of the association.

It has been my pleasure to serve in multiple capacities within NALA over the past 15 years, and especially working with AAPL in my Regional Directors position more recently. We look forward to working together in the future and continuing to serve the membership.

Best,

Randy Littlecott, CPL
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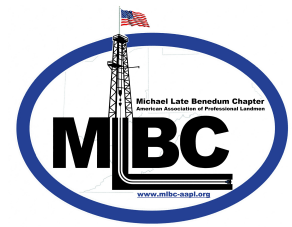


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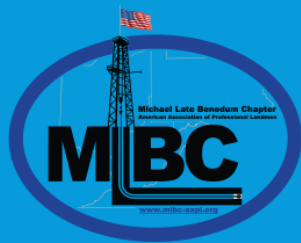
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Wednesday, March 16th

- West Virginia Tax Sales – Nik Tysiak, Babst Calland
- Oil and Gas Industry Update – Dave Callahan, Marcellus Shale Coalition
- Solar and Wind v. Oil and Gas Leases – Andy Graham, Steptoe & Johnson
- **AAPL President Lunch**
- Do's and Don'ts of Negotiation Panel Discussion– Chuck Saffer moderator, Renee Anderson, Thomas Long and Rob Greiner panelists
- "Introduction to Enhanced Oil Recovery (Engineering Technical Topic)- William O'Brien, Nitec LLC
- WV Cotenancy Update and Short Form Ancillary Administration – Natalie Jefferis, Peacock Keller
- **Cocktail Hour**

Thursday, March 17th

- Zoning Issues affecting Oil and Gas Development – Maureen Sweeney, Steptoe & Johnson
- Working in Solar v. Oil and Gas – Panel Discussion, Panelists TBA
- Appalachian Basin Title Update – Josh Abrams, Kiefaber & Olivia
- AAPL's Code of Ethics and Standards of Practice – Kevin Pierson, Blue Duck Resources



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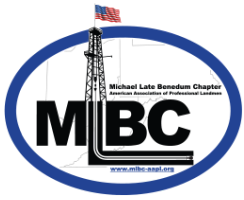
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Member Spotlight: Patrick McQuiggan



Short Introduction of Interviewee:

Patrick R. McQuiggan is a founding member and partner of Gemondo & McQuiggan, LLP, an energy specific law firm.

Tell us a little about yourself.

I started my energy career working as a Landman in Ohio, Pennsylvania, and West Virginia. Prior to working in the energy sector, I was general counsel for a large corporation in the financial sector. Those responsibilities included resolving complaints by the State Attorney General and investigations by the Federal Trade Commission. I was raised by a mother who attended law school in the evening, while overseeing a large preschool during the day. I was most inspired by her strong work ethic and zealous advocacy as she successfully litigated cases up to the Supreme Court. I have a sister that is currently serving as a JAG Captain in the U.S. Air Force. I live in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania with my lovely wife Vanessa and our four children.

Who are you currently employed or contracted with?

I am blessed to have been one of the founding partners of Gemondo & McQuiggan, LLP an energy focused law firm. Our firm was founded in 2011, with the primary goal of meeting the growing need for legal services in the energy sector. Over the years, and to accommodate client specific needs, adjustments in certain areas of the practice just naturally occurred. However, the firm's overriding objective never wavered. We have consistently provided custom work products that are tailored to the individual needs of each client and include all phases of the development process.

Gemondo & McQuiggan, LLP has represented large, fully integrated public companies; as well as entities backed by private equity. We routinely administer a wide variety of transactions, ranging from complex contract negotiations to consultation on high-level curative issues and payment disputes.

How long have you worked in the oil and gas industry? And what states do you have experience in? And tell us about any other land organization you belong to.

I like to say I started working in the energy sector while I was still in college. In 2003, my grandparents were approached by a Landman about leasing their 50 acres of land in Westmoreland County, Pennsylvania. No one in my family had any experience in oil and gas or real property work. I remember reading the 12.5% royalty and \$15.00 an acre bonus offer and then looking up at my family saying 'ask for double,' for no other reason than everyone always says it on TV. They ended up signing at 17% royalty and \$50 an acre bonus. The whole process intrigued me and was my first experience in the energy sector.

My professional energy career really began in 2010 when I was first employed running title and leasing land on behalf of an Exploration and Production Company. I was immediately engulfed in work spanning the tri-state region of Ohio, Pennsylvania, and West Virginia. It was during this time that I entered into discussions with a colleague employed in the same area of the law. Christopher M. Gemondo, Esq. (i.e. my current law partner) approached me on the topic of starting an energy specific law practice. In 2011, Gemondo and McQuiggan, LLP was formed. Over the last 10 years, I have worked in Ohio, Pennsylvania, Texas and West Virginia.

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In the beginning it was readily apparent that the trade organizations were an essential component for us to meet other professionals and grow the practice. The American Association of Professional Landmen was the first organization that I became a member of. The Michael Late Benedum Chapter of the AAPL quickly followed. Since that time, I have added the Northern Appalachia Landman's Association, Three Rivers Desk and Derrick Club, Young Professionals in Energy Midland, Permian Basin Landmen's Association, Energy and Mineral Law Foundation and the Rocky Mountain Mineral Law Foundation. I have also attended events by Pennsylvania Independent Oil and Gas Association, Women's Energy Network of Pittsburgh, Ohio Oil and Gas Association, Gas and Oil Association of West Virginia, and the Houston Association of Professional Landmen.

Tell us about your first position in the industry.

My first position as an independent Landman involved running titles in Ohio, Pennsylvania and West Virginia. At that point in time all courthouses were still offline. Therefore, learning the uniqueness not just between the states, but every county's recording process was paramount. Many of the lessons learned during this time still provide a competitive edge today.

Because I am comfortable speaking with people, I quickly transitioned into dealing with landowners directly and explaining the lease provisions. I was then asked by a client to speak at landowner group meetings and answer questions about lease provisions, title and curative measures that would need to be taken. All of these interactions were important in later establishing a successful law firm.

What areas of the industry do you have experience in?

Initially title searches, certified mineral title opinions and curative documentation was the focal point of my land practice. Soon thereafter, I got into contract review, negotiations and merger and acquisition documentation, which became a large part of the practice. More recently, capital raising through public offerings, private equity and family offices have become a part of the firm. We are even representing Information Technology Companies that specialize in software efficiency and government compliance for the energy sector. The land and legal side of this industry is so complex that I am always surprised at new requests by clients.

Do you have a mentor in the industry? Can you provide details?

I have several people I rely on for guidance when something unique or different arises. I keep a list of landmen, attorneys, engineers, geologists and managers that I respect and can count on. I believe that if you want to get ahead in this industry, you need to acknowledge that you do not know everything. More importantly, you need to establish relationships with people that have different experiences than you, so that you can reach out to them for direction and help. The successful people I meet in the industry seem to understand the importance of this concept intuitively. When I teach at the local law schools or speak at an event, I constantly harp on this idea.

How long have you been a member of the MLBC. Do you currently have any certifications through the AAPL?

I became a member of the AAPL and the MLBC in 2012.

What benefits have you found as a member of the MLBC? What are your favorite aspects?

I have had the pleasure of attending and speaking at several events in my career. The MLBC has provided me the opportunity to make relationships with people that I would not have otherwise met. Whether it has been a future client, employee or just simply a new friend; I could not be more thankful to the MLBC for these relationships.

Do you serve the MLBC, AAPL, or any other organizations in an executive capacity and/or serve as a committee chair? Are you a member of any committees?

I serve as the Awards Committee Chair for the MLBC and as the Industry and Government Affairs Committee Chair for NALA.

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AAPL DIRECTOR'S REPORT

By: Britney Crookshanks, Regional Director



On December 12, 2021, the AAPL hosted a quarterly Board of Directors meeting in Charleston, South Carolina, at the Belmond Charleston Hotel. AAPL Executive Director Greta Zeimetz announced several new staff members including: Michelle Batemen, as Education Program Specialist; Darci Gilbert, as staff accountant; and Samantha Sharp, as Business Development. The AAPL hosted 11 webinars and 6 in-person events in the last quarter of 2021. The new learning management system will be live at the beginning of the new year and will be an improvement when accessing continuing education offerings through the AAPL website. The AAPL has moved to Scantron for testing and has been very excited about the success of the transition. All 3 certification exams are available through Scantron and an AAPL member can access the tests at any of the hundreds of Scantron locations throughout the country. This helps to provide access to convenient testing locations for all AAPL members.

The AAPL is looking at options to replace the Contract Center in order to help provide members access to standard industry forms that are utilized by land professionals. The Forms Committee is working through updates to the 2015 JOA and is drafting a Wellbore Assignment and Over-ride Assignment to add to the bank of accessible land documents. The AAPL has had a large increase of student members and they are actively working on maintaining engagement from Energy Management graduates to promote their continued involvement within the association.

The AAPL is excited about the upcoming NAPE Summit February 8-11 in Houston, Texas. The AAPL is partnering with RMMLF to host the first annual US Oil and Gas Law Seminar at NAPE On February 8th and the event will offer 4 hours of continuing education credits. The Education Foundation will be hosting a reception for all student associations at NAPE. AAPL is also encouraging local members to participate in the Mentorship programs and the Technology Committee is reaching out to local associations to help locals establish websites and offer assistance.

There is an upcoming board meeting on March 11-13 in Oklahoma City. During this meeting, the Board of Directors and Executive Committee are planning to review several items involving certification, propose motions and vote. I am, unfortunately, not going to be able to attend this meeting but Kevin Pierson, MLBC's current Sergeant at Arms will attend as a Substitute-Director. NALA has already requested dissolution from the AAPL board but MLBC will ask for approval of the merger of NALA into MLBC.

If you have any questions or would like to become involved in AAPL I encourage you to contact me. It is important that Appalachian Land Professionals are represented within leadership at AAPL. There are different committees and different levels of involvement you can volunteer for. Make sure to reach out to me or any of your colleagues who are already involved if you would like more information.

CALLING FOR NOMINATIONS!

Fellow MLBC Members,

It is that time of year in which the Nominating Committee, which consists of past MLBC Presidents, is requesting nominations for Executive Committee members for the upcoming officer election in advance of the 2022-2023 year. In accordance with our bylaws, nominations may be made for all positions with the exception of President, which will be filled by Justin Nixon, our current Vice President.

The qualifications for each position are:

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2. To have served on a Committee for two years

If you would like to make a nomination for one or all of these positions, please do so by emailing this year's Nominating Committee Chairman, Rich Robb, at rraccordlandservicesllc@gmail.com **on or before February 15th.**

Thank you for your continued support.

Sincerely,
Robert Greiner
MLBC President, 2021-2022





LEGISLATIVE & REGULATORY UPDATE

By Nikolas Tysiak, Legislative and Regulatory Chairman

Hello MLBC friends and family! As we survive the freezing cold of winter, there are only a few things to report to you. This time of year, with its proximity to the holidays, tends to be a judicial legislative “slow time.” As always, the Legislative and Regulatory Committee looks forward to hearing from anyone with an idea or suggestion of something to include in our newsletter updates.

OHIO

Hein Bros., LLC v. Reynolds, 2021-Ohio-4633 (7th Dist. Ct. App.). Owners of severed mineral interest brought an action to have a prior judgment divesting them of such severed minerals deemed void for failure of notice. In 2013, the surface owners of this property in Belmont County brought an action to have previously-severed minerals under their lands declared vested with the surface estate. Service of notice of the lawsuit was attempted by certified mail, with the surface owners’ attorney stating that various methods were attempted to locate the severed mineral owners. Certified mail having failed, notice was served by publication in accordance with Ohio law. In 2020, the same severed mineral owners sought the judgment overturned due to failure of notice, claiming that no reasonable person would not have been able to locate their addresses for service by certified mail if applying due diligence in 2013. Under Ohio law, there is a rebuttable presumption that the reasonable diligence exercised in issuing notice by mail has been followed, and to counterbalance the presumption evidence of a substantial nature must be presented. The severed mineral owners presented evidence from an identity investigator, working in 2021, to prove that they were locatable with reasonable diligence in 2013. The trial court was not swayed by this evidence, and the Court of Appeals followed the lead of the trial court and affirmed their judgment, denying the claims by the severed mineral owners in favor of the surface owners.

Pernick v. Dallas, 2021-Ohio-4635 (7th Dist. Ct. App.). Case involves the Ohio Marketable Title Act. Severed mineral owners sued claiming that an oil and gas lease executed by the surface owners effectively preserved their severed oil and gas interest, among other things. Losing at trial, the severed mineral owners appealed. The severed mineral owners claimed that the execution of successive oil and gas leases by the surface owners starting in 2008 saved the severed mineral interests. The court concluded that, while the factual matters cited by the severed mineral owners are correct (an oil and gas lease is a title transaction under the Marketable Title Act), for a title transaction to be legally meaningful under the MTA, it must also effectively notify other parties that the severed mineral interest remains in effect. A lease from the surface owners does not accomplish that goal. The severed mineral owners then alleged that the root of the title deed contained a specific reference to the severed oil and gas interest. To this, the court pointed out that the root of title deed made no reference to oil and gas at all, only to a prior deed in the chain of title and deemed the reference language insufficiently specific to preserve the severed minerals. Finally, the severed mineral owners claimed that the root of title deed cannot be a “proper” root of title as it did not indicate that oil and gas interests were being conveyed. The court found this assertion to be meritless and discounted it out of hand. The Court of Appeals accordingly upheld the trial court’s decision vesting title to the oil and gas with the surface owners under the marketable title act.

PENNSYLVANIA

Allison v. Rice Drilling B, LLC, 2021 WL 6140828 (Sup. Ct. Pa., December 30, 2021). Land in question was subject to a 1913 oil and gas lease that paid only \$100 per well on the property and free gas to a home on the property. The lease had reported production until 1991, when reporting stopped. In 2016, EQT Corporation, as successor lessee under the 1913 lease, created a Marcellus unit and started paying the lessors the \$100 again, which was refused by the successor landowners. In 2017, the surface owners executed new leases with Rice Drilling B, LLC, with an 18.5% royalty.

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After Rice merged with EQT, payments continued to be made to the landowners at \$100 per well, and not at 18.5%. EQT/Rice won at trial on summary judgment, but the Superior Court overturned that ruling, remanding it to trial. The Superior Court looked at the cross-filed motions for summary judgment and applied a rule of civil procedure to review the evidence supplied in the light most beneficial to the non-moving party to determine whether summary judgment was appropriate in either case. When reviewing the landowners' denied motion for summary judgment, the court reviewed the evidence that most supported EQT/Rice's position. The court found that only EQT/Rice provided any evidence of continuous production (despite a lack of reporting) from 1991 through 2016 under the 1913 lease. Consequently, the 1913 lease could not have expired in this light. Nevertheless, the Court felt the factual basis as to the continuous production issue needed further development in the record, so summary judgment would have been inappropriate as to the landowners. In reviewing the EQT/Rice's successful motion for summary judgment, the court reviewed the evidence in the light most favorable to the landowners. Here, it found that the summary judgment depended solely on the factual issue of continuous production – if there was no continuous production, then the lease was effectively terminated when the lessors refused payment in 2016. Therefore, the Court overturned the prior motion for summary judgment and remanded the case for further trial on the issue of whether there was continuous production from the wells drilled pursuant to the 1913 lease between 1991 and 2016.

With warmest regards –
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WVU ENERGY LAND MANAGEMENT PROGRAM UPDATE

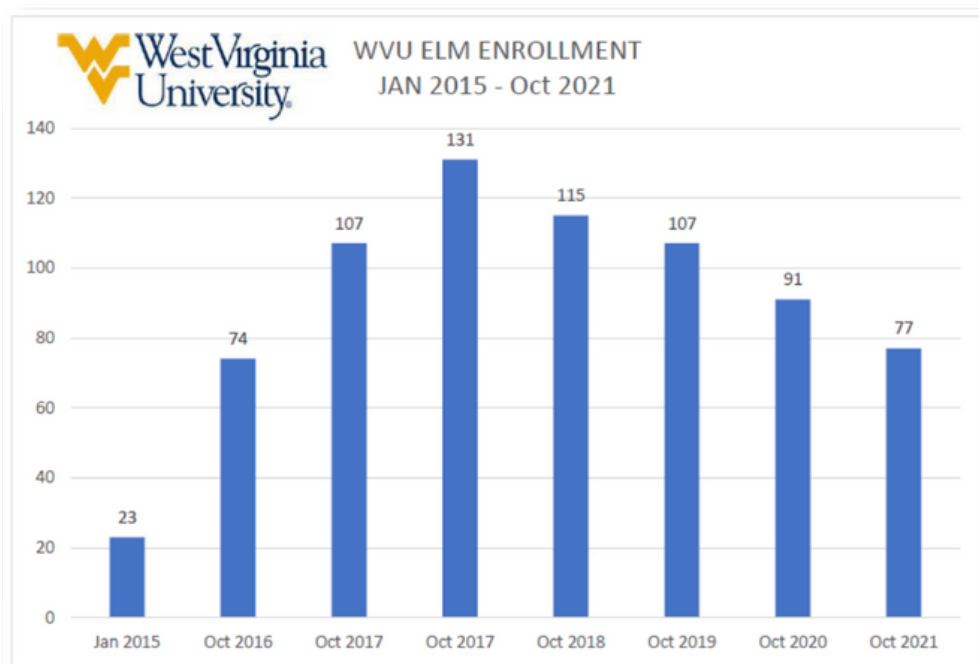
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2021 Annual Program Review

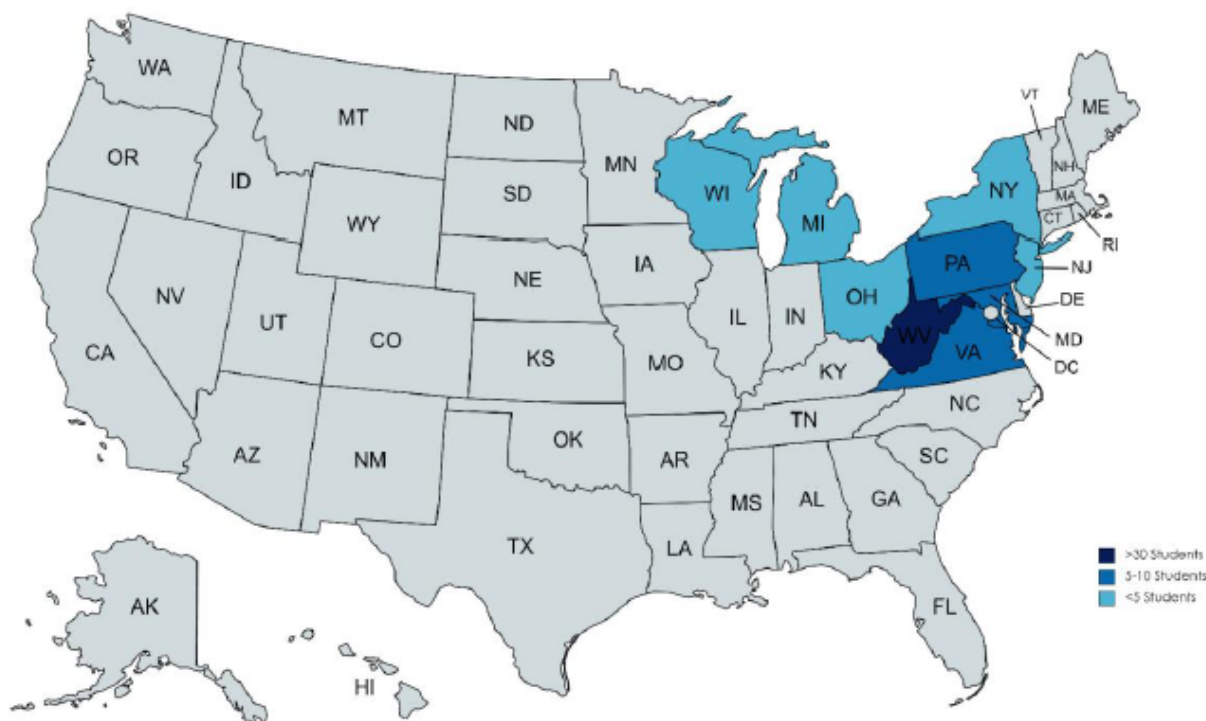
The Energy Land Management (ELM) program at West Virginia University had another successful year in 2021. The program graduated a total of 24 students, many of which became employed in land work across the United States. This included positions with NextEra Energy Resources, Enel North America, Property ROW LLC, Halo Land Management, Bowman Consulting, Columbia Gas of Ohio, Chief Oil and Gas, Morris Mountaineer, Everest Infrastructure Partners, and several other partners in the region.

Overall, the program has seen reduced student enrollment over the past two years. This can be attributed to many factors, which include the pandemic as well as reduced energy prices. Currently the program has around 70 students enrolled, with most being Juniors and Seniors.

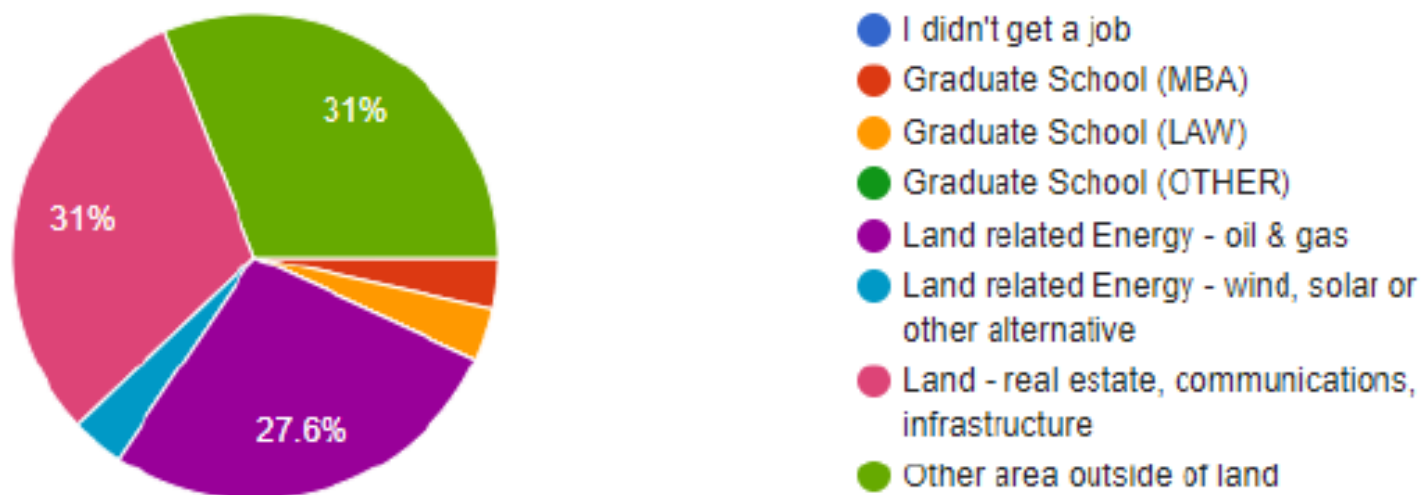


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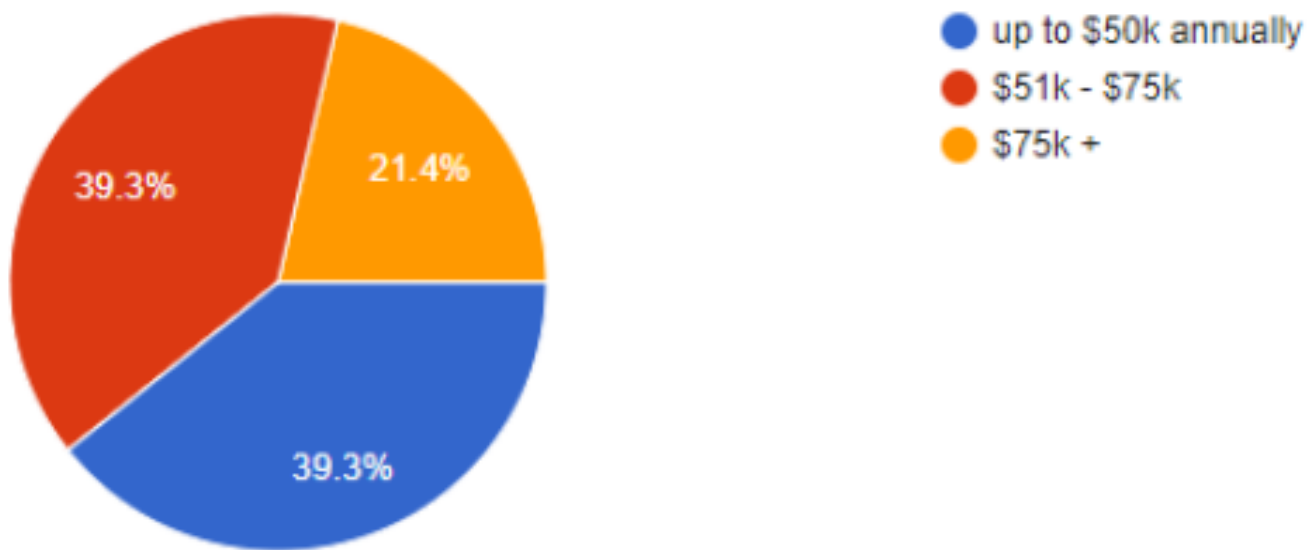
The majority of WVU ELM students come from the Northeastern United States, with West Virginia, Pennsylvania, and Ohio being the most common.



Overall, over ½ of 2021 graduates were employed in a land-related field. Approximately 30% of graduates did not go to graduate school or find land-related jobs.



Salaries were very similar in 2021, with most graduates finding jobs in the \$51,000 - \$75,000 range.



While overall numbers are on the decline, the total number of enrolled students is more in line with available resources. The WVU ELM program appreciates the support of the MLBC and its membership. Please consider WVU ELM students for potential internships and jobs. Likewise, if you know of any high school students that are looking for a great career, please send them in our direction!

SAVE THE DATE

Spring MLBC/NALA Merger Social

April 22, 2022



Pittsburgh, PA

Location TBD

Spring Charity Golf Event

Benefitting WVU Children's Hospital

May 6, 2022

Oglebay Resort



Spring Charity Clay Shoot

Benefitting the MLBC Scholarship Program



June 3, 2022

Stonewall Sporting Clays

UPCOMING EVENTS



FEBRUARY

Event: February Dinner Meeting- Ohio Dormant Mineral and Marketable Title Acts

Date: February 17th

Time: 5:00 - 8:00 PM EST

Location: Froehlich's Classic Corner: 501 Washington Street, Steubenville, OH 43952

MARCH

Event: 2022 Appalachian Land Institute

Date: March 16th & 17th

Time: 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM EST

Location: Hollywood Casino at the Meadows: 212 Racetrack Rd, Washington, PA 15301

APRIL

Event: MLBC/NALA Merger Spring Social

Date: April 22nd

Time: TBD

Location: TBD

MAY

Event: MLBC Spring Golf Outing - benefiting WVU Children's Hospital

Date: May 6th

Location: Oglebay Golf Resort: 465 Lodge Drive, Wheeling, WV 26003

JUNE

Event: Spring Clay Shoot – benefitting MLBC Scholarship Fund

Date: June 3rd

Time: TBD

Location: Stonewall Sporting Clays: 401 Goosepen Run Road, Roanoke, WV 26447

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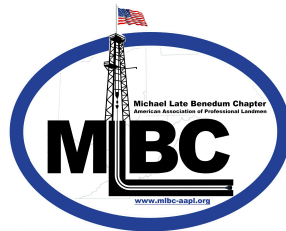
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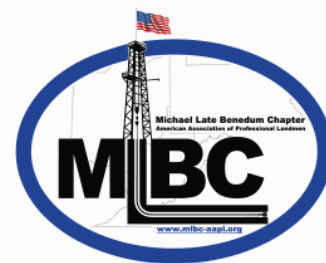


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NEW MEMBERS & CERTIFICATIONS FEBRUARY 2022



First Name	Last Name	Employer	Member Type	Sponsoring Member
Ben	Ehlers	Percheron, LLC	Associate	Steve Carr
Cass	Burkett	Appalachian Mineral Partners	Active	Steve Carr
Sarah	Black	Range Resources	Associate	Steve Carr
Randy	Ketcham	RJK Energy Land, LLC	Active	Steve Carr
Jonathan	Pettit	JMP Consulting, LLC	Associate	Steve Carr
Dale	Moyer	Dale Moyer Ind Landman, LCC	Active	Steve Carr
George	Kubisty	Ind Landman	Active	Steve Carr
Bill	O'Brien	Steptoe & Johnson	Active	Steve Carr
Amanda	Regetz	Bluebird Services, LLC	Active	Steve Carr
Eric	Peebles	Peebles Resources, LLC	Active	Steve Carr
Glenn	Thompson	Steptoe & Johnson	Active	Steve Carr
Derrick	Bachman	Steptoe & Johnson	Associate	Steve Carr
David	Gulnac	Kooman, Heeter & Gulnac	Active	Steve Carr
Jason	Whanger	Sun Contract Services	Active	Steve Carr
John	Krogman	Ind Landman	Associate	Steve Carr
Andrew	Solic	Laurel Mountain Energy	Active	Steve Carr
Ian	Lang	Range Resources	Associate	Steve Carr
Christopher	Rabbitt	Consol Energy	Active	Steve Carr
John	Palombaro	JS Land Services	Active	Steve Carr

New members are approved on a monthly basis. If the need arises to move along membership approval (ex. Ohio Landman Registration), please email Abby Veigel - abbyveigel@mlbc-aapl.org

SHOUT OUT!

Congratulations to the following member(s) recently gaining their Certification through the AAPL:

Jesse David Scheck, RPL

Total Members: 590

Active: 366

Active PP: 30

Honorary: 10

Total Active: 396

% Active: 67.12%

Associate: 91

Student: 85



MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION



The MLBC membership application is located on the website at www.mlbc-aapl.org. Please check your information on the website prior to submitting your renewal. The [MLBC website](http://www.mlbc-aapl.org) has an updated version of the membership listing. Please use this resource if you cannot find yours or others information in the directory. Please report any errors or omissions to Abby Veigel at abbyveigel@mlbc-aapl.org.

Application for membership in the Association shall be subject to the approval by a majority vote of the Executive Committee at a regularly scheduled meeting and shall require the signed approval by the acting President of the Executive Committee, as evidence of the Committee's approval.

Notice of the approved application(s) of all potential Association member(s) shall be printed in the next regularly scheduled publication of the Association. Members shall have the opportunity for a period of thirty (30) days following the publication to object to the potential member's application.

MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS

Membership Renewals have been sent out for 2022 . Please renew your membership in the MLBC to keep receiving The Wildcatter along with outstanding educational content and industry updates this year. Per the bylaws of the MLBC, payment of membership dues must be received on or before March 15 to avoid any late fees. A big note of appreciation to those members who have already submitted their dues. If you have not done so yet, we ask that you continue your support and encourage your colleagues and associates to join and support our efforts.

Thank You!

