

# 20 Dismissed Colorado Royalty Cases: Is There a Good-Faith Basis for Filing in District Court?

Colorado state district courts recently solidified judicial recognition of the Colorado General Assembly's delegation of primary jurisdiction to the Colorado Oil and Gas Conservation Commission over royalty underpayment disputes, according to [an alert](#) by BakerHostetler.

Two judges of the District Court for the City and County of Denver dismissed royalty underpayment lawsuits for failure to exhaust administrative remedies before the Commission.

The firm said these decisions are significant because one judge vacated his prior ruling in the same case that had denied a substantively similar motion to dismiss, and the other judge had previously denied a similar motion to dismiss in a different case.

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