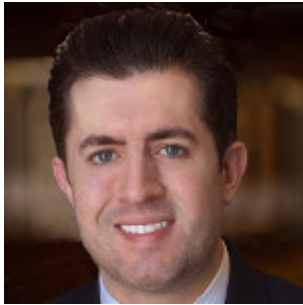


Lanier Law Firm Adds Experienced Oil & Gas Attorney Todd Grimmatt



Veteran energy company in-house counsel **Todd L. Grimmatt** has joined **The Lanier Law Firm** as a member of the commercial litigation team. His hiring bolsters the firm's growing focus on lawsuits affecting the oil and gas industry, the firm said in a news release.

Grimmett most recently served as an in-house counsel for Oklahoma City-based Chesapeake Energy Corp., one of the nation's largest natural gas producers. For the past six years, Grimmatt represented Chesapeake in a number of civil litigation matters and provided legal counsel for the company's upstream and midstream divisions. In addition, he directed responses to regulatory inquiries and investigations and was responsible for managing the company's e-discovery department.

Before joining Chesapeake in 2011, he served as a trial lawyer with several Oklahoma-based law firms and tried cases in jurisdictions throughout the Southwest.

"Todd is an exceptional young lawyer with a deep understanding of the energy sector as well as a wealth of practical experience in the courtroom," said Mark Lanier, who founded the firm nearly 25 years ago. "This combination of skills will be a great asset as we take on an increasing number of cases related to oil and gas disputes, as well as other civil litigation matters."

In his new role, Grimmatt is reunited with Regan E. Bradford, former Deputy General Counsel and Assistant Corporate Secretary for Chesapeake, who joined the Lanier Law Firm in

2016.

Grimmett earned his law degree in 2006 from the University of Oklahoma College of Law, and served as an intern in the office of the Oklahoma Attorney General while in law school. He received his undergraduate degree in business administration from Oklahoma State University in 2001.

The firm has offices in Houston, Los Angeles, and New York.

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