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The Oil & Natural Gas Group at McNeese Wallace & Nurick brings together the collective experience of attorneys in our Real Estate, Estate Planning, Litigation, Energy & Environmental, Transportation, Government Relations, and Corporate & Tax law groups. Whether it is assistance with lease documents, well permitting, water resource permitting/acquisition, wastewater treatment and disposal, movement of well drilling equipment, or collection and conveyance via gathering lines and pipelines, McNeese attorneys collectively can apply these areas of experience to help you. In addition to the aforementioned services, the attorneys in the Oil & Natural Gas practice group counsel individuals, hunting clubs and other organizations on estate and business planning techniques that can be utilized to address both tax and generational planning issues that can arise with recently acquired wealth attributable to both the “bonus payments” for the primary term of a gas lease as well as future royalties. Our attorneys also counsel clients on the ramifications of a lease if you are a business entity, including the income tax consequences upon receipt of the bonus and lease payments, and more importantly, the limitations on the use of those funds in some situations.

While the production of oil and gas was born in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, the state’s regulatory framework is quite complex. Our attorneys have extensive experience assisting clients before the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection (DEP), the primary regulatory agency involved in oil and gas well permitting. We recognize the importance of water to the well drilling and fracing process, and have assisted clients in obtaining water withdrawal approvals before the Susquehanna River Basin Commission (SRBC) and other water basin commissions.

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