



**Scott Seidl**

COUNSEL

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**Education:**

- J.D., The University of Oklahoma College of Law, 2008
- B.A., Sociology/Criminology, The University of Oklahoma, 2005

**Admitted to Practice**

- Texas, 2008
- Oklahoma, 2011
- North Dakota, 2011
- U.S. Court of Appeals, Fifth Circuit
- U.S. District Court, Northern District of Texas
- U.S. District Court, Southern District of Texas
- U.S. District Court, Eastern District of Oklahoma
- U.S. District Court, Western District of Oklahoma
- U.S. District Court, Eastern District of Colorado
- U.S. District Court, Western District of Colorado

**Professional Honors and Affiliations**

- AV Peer Review Rated Preeminent® Martindale Hubbell Law Directory
- Member, Houston Bar Association
- Member, Lawyers for a Beautiful Houston Committee

Scott's practice focuses on probate litigation, real estate, and energy. His practice is primarily litigation; however, he has experience in transactional matters in these areas. Scott has represented clients in both state and federal courts for over a decade.

**REPRESENTATIVE EXPERIENCE**

***Probate Litigation***

- Represented common-law spouse in the administration of husband's estate to recover a share of assets.
- Represented beneficiaries in will contests and actions to void transfer on death deeds.
- Defended surviving spouse against claims from other spouse's purported children.
- Represented applicants and contestants in contested guardianship proceedings.
- Prosecuted and defended fiduciaries in breach of fiduciary duty claims.

***Real Estate Litigation***

- Represented commercial real estate brokers in actions to recover unpaid broker's commissions.
- Represented landlords and tenants in disputes regarding the interpretation of leases, unpaid rent, and maintenance charges.
- Represented homeowners and vendors in title disputes, breach of warranty claims, and fraud claims.

***Real Estate Transactions***

- Researched, prepared, and obtained title curative for highly complex surface and mineral title.
- Drafted purchase agreements, lease agreements, amendments, easements, and other agreements involving real property.
- Represented landlords, tenants, developers, buyers, sellers, contractors and materialmen, and lenders in all manner of business, finance, and ownership transactions, including removal of expired liens, preparation of liens, preparation of deeds, leases, notes, deeds of trust, UCC filings, surface use waivers, easements, stipulations, and personal guarantees.

***Oil, Gas, and Energy***

- Defended a family-owned oil and gas company against a multi-million-dollar indemnity demand stemming from a prior operator's environmental contamination.
- Represented the purchaser of an offshore production platform in a dispute with the seller.
- Represented independent oil and gas companies in title and royalty disputes.
- Negotiated and drafted purchase and sales agreements, asset purchase agreements, joint operating agreements, and assignments in connection with oil and gas acquisitions and divestitures.
- Negotiated surface use agreements, easements, and other contracts as well as provided review and analysis of existing agreements.
- Litigated oil and gas disputes, condemnation, environmental contamination, and general commercial litigation matters.
- Drafted surface and mineral title opinions covering lands in Texas, Oklahoma, and North Dakota.