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Elizabeth B. Elmore is a Member of the Energy industry group and leader of the Oil and Gas industry group, focusing primarily on oil and gas matters. She practices out of the Firm's office in Charleston, West Virginia.

She's an authority on the oil and gas industry. With more than 20 years of legal experience, including several years as in-house counsel for a production company, Beth focuses her practice on energy law, representing both large and small oil and gas producers. She is a frequent speaker on issues related to the industry.

She oversees acquisition due diligence and title projects in West Virginia and Ohio. She also advises oil and gas producers on title and curative issues and clients on royalty calculation issues in the Appalachian Basin and drafts and reviews oil and gas agreements. Beth also has experience with corporate transactional matters, including assisting clients with negotiation of purchase and sale agreements, leading up due diligence efforts, and helping to finalize transactions.

Before joining Jackson Kelly, Beth served as General Counsel and land manager for Reed Brothers Limited Partnership, an oil and gas company based in Charleston. She was also the Managing Partner of Elmore & Elmore.

Awards

- *The Best Lawyers in America*® for Oil and Gas Law, Lawyer of the Year in Charleston, WV (2024)
- *The Best Lawyers in America*® for Oil and Gas Law (2018-2026)
- Williams E. Hayne Memorial Honor Scholarship
- Virginia Turner Self Honor Scholarship
- *Chambers USA, America's Leading Lawyers for Business* in the area of Energy & Natural Resources Law in West Virginia (2023-2025)

Notable Legal Experience

- Drafts and reviews oil and gas agreements – joint ventures, exploration agreements, joint operating agreements, farm-outs, leases, subleases, deeds, rights of way, confidentiality agreements

Work History

- Jackson Kelly PLLC (2014-Present)
- Steptoe & Johnson PLLC, Of Counsel (2012-2014)
- Reed Brothers, LP, General Counsel (2007-2012)
- Elmore & Elmore, Managing Partner (1998-2007)
- Lane Law Firm (1995-1997)

- Bowles Rice McDavid Graff & Love (1992-1995)

Practices

- Business Law
- Mergers & Acquisitions
- Real Estate

Industries

- Energy
- Hotels & Hospitality
- Oil & Gas

Education

- Washington and Lee University School of Law (J.D., *summa cum laude*, 1992)
 - Order of the Coif
 - American Jurisprudence Awards in Federal Income Taxation and Decedents Estate and Trusts
- Converse College (B.A. in Politics, *summa cum laude*, 1989)
 - Outstanding Senior Politics Award
 - Head Marshal for College of Arts and Sciences

Admissions

- South Carolina (2022)
- Ohio (2014)
- Kentucky (2013)
- West Virginia (1992)
- Supreme Court of Ohio (2014)
- U.S. District Court, Southern District of West Virginia (1992)
- West Virginia Supreme Court of Appeals (1992)

Professional Organizations

- West Virginia State Bar
- Energy & Mineral Law Foundation, Member and Trustee

Speaking Engagements & Publications

Speaking Engagements

- Co-speaker with **Andrew N. Schock**, "A Full House: Cotenancy and Unitization," Institute for Energy Law and the Energy & Mineral Law Foundation (EMLF) 10th Law of Shale Plays Conference, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania (Sept. 4, 2019)
- Speaker, "Can I Hop in Your Pool? — A Discussion of West Virginia's Recent Pooling Legislation," West Virginia Society of Certified Public Accountants Annual Meeting (2015)
- Speaker, Multiple Speaking Engagements to Industry Groups on Matters Relating to Energy Law

Community

- West Virginia Affiliate of the Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation, Founding Organizer
- Christ Church United Methodist, Member Board of Trustees