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Rob Knight started his legal career in 2007 by opening a law firm in Houston, Texas, where he practiced in the areas of family, criminal, real estate and probate law. He relocated to Tyler, Texas, to focus his work on Oil and Gas Title Opinions. At Flowers Davis, he practices in the areas of oil and gas title opinions and real estate law. Rob has prepared title opinions in multiple states, from simple title opinions to complex division order, unit-wide opinions and leasehold opinions. He also renders title opinions and consults on title issues in anticipation of both residential and commercial loans, and for municipal condemnation proceedings. Additionally, he oversees a team of attorneys who review real property title for over 1,500 real estate properties a month for title companies prior to issuing title insurance policies. He has worked in several areas of the law that overlap real property law, including probate and family law, and has a thorough understanding of all instruments within a chain of title, and what is required to cure title defects.

Rob typically works for large multi-national oil and gas companies, as well as mid-sized and small local oil and gas companies, as well as individuals who own oil, gas and mineral interests. In addition, Rob assists individuals with estate planning, drafting wills and trusts, POAs, advanced directives and Transfer on Death Deeds. In early 2019, Rob was named Managing Partner over the Oil and Gas Litigation, Appellate and Transactional Sections of the Firm.

Rob enjoys working in real property law and reviewing land title. Whether he is preparing title opinions or aiding the issuance of loans and title policies, he understands the importance of providing his services in a quick and efficient manner, and in delivering a quality product.

Outside of work Rob enjoys playing guitar, painting, mountain biking, yoga, preparing for and competing in obstacle course races.

Practice Areas: Business & Commercial Litigation, Business Entity Formation, Eminent Domain | Condemnation, Estate Planning - Wills & Trusts, Oil & Gas Litigation, Oil & Gas Title Opinions, Real Estate Law, Real Estate Litigation, Transactions, Acquisitions & Development

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Bar Admissions

State Bar of Texas, 2007

Court Admissions

U. S. District Court, Southern District of Texas

Education

South Texas College of Law, merit scholarship, cum laude, 2007
Texas A&M University, Bachelor of Science,

Extracurricular

Construction Science, 1999

South Texas College of Law Moot Court Competition

Memberships

State Bar of Texas
State Bar of Texas Oil and Gas Law Section
Harris County Attorney's Association
Delta Theta Phi, a professional law fraternity
Tau Sigma Delta, the Honors Society for Architecture
and the Arts

Honors and Awards

The Order of the Lytae, a legal honors society South Texas School of Law Dean's Honor List College of Architecture Distinguished Students Roster, Spring 1997 and 1998

Publications and Presentations

EAST TEXAS ASSOCIATION OF PETROLEUM LANDMEN, "Death, Divorce, Business Entities - Who Needs to Sign?", September 2021, Tyler, TX, presented by Rob Knight.

AUSTIN PROFESSIONAL LANDMAN'S ASSOCIATION, "Drilling vs. Division Order Title Opinions", December 2019, Austin, TX, presented by Rob Knight.

EAST TEXAS ASSOCIATION OF LEASE AND TITLE ANALYSTS FALL SEMINAR, "Drilling vs. Division Order Title Opinions", October 2018, Tyler, TX, Melanie S. Reyes and Rob Knight.

2018 HOUSTON ASSOCIATION OF PROFESSIONAL LANDMEN FALL SEMINAR, "Ethical Considerations: Trilogy of Working as Lawyers and Landmen for the Good of the Client", September 2018, presented by Rob Knight and Jordan Mullins. Based on a paper authored by Celia Flowers.

2017 EAST TEXAS ASSOCIATION OF PETROLEUM LANDMEN SPRING SEMINAR, "Horizontal Wells Crossing Unit Lines: From Permitting to the Division of Royalties", April 2017, presented by Melanie S. Reyes and Rob Knight. Based on a paper coauthored by Celia Flowers and Melanie Reyes.

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