



Section on Mineral Law

The Mission of the ISBA Mineral Law Section:

To inform and advise the members of the bar on current developments in mineral law; to monitor and comment upon state and federal legislation and regulations affecting minerals and their development; to propose remedial legislation in areas of perceived need; to encourage formal legal education in mineral law; to promote continuing legal education through publications, conferences and seminars; and to provide a forum for consideration of and comment upon current issues in the field of mineral law.

General:

- ◆ Section dues are \$30 per year.
- ◆ To join, go to www.isba.org/sections

Legislation

The Section Council reviews proposed legislation that may affect their members' practice area. Highlights of the most recent legislative session include:

1. Number of bills reviewed: 9
2. Significant legislation:
 - a. HB 282 – Oil and Gas Well rewrite
 - b. HB 1562 – Hydraulic Fracturing Regulatory Act

ISBA Central

- ◆ Members of the ISBA section get free access to the section's community on ISBA Central. The ISBA Central community allows section members to pose questions, answer questions, and share information with fellow section members from around the state.

Newsletters

During the 2018-19 bar year, the Section published 4 newsletters. Articles included:

- ◆ IDNR considers rules changes (Sept. 2018)
- ◆ Landowner grant program resurrected (Sept. 2018)
- ◆ Pennsylvania court turns rule of capture on its head (Sept. 2018)
- ◆ Illinois Department of Natural Resources report of September 10, 2018 (Sept. 2018)
- ◆ What the new regulatory atmosphere in Washington could mean for the Illinois coal industry (Sept. 2018)
- ◆ Colorado ballot measures bring discussion of regulatory takings to the mineral extraction industry and to the electorate (Dec. 2018)
- ◆ Descriptions in tax deeds (Dec. 2018)
- ◆ IDNR considers revision of OG-10 form (Dec. 2018)
- ◆ Illinois Department of Natural Resources: Report of November 9, 2018 (Dec. 2018)
- ◆ The oil and gas industry in Illinois (Dec. 2018)
- ◆ Rule of capture litigation update (Dec. 2018)
- ◆ Partitioning working interest in an oil and gas lease (Mar. 2019)
- ◆ An open letter to the coal, oil, and gas industries (Mar. 2019)
- ◆ An overriding royalty interest is an interest in real property (Mar. 2019)
- ◆ Illinois Department of Natural Resources report of March 1, 2019 (Mar. 2019)
- ◆ Summary of pending legislation affecting the oil and gas industry (Mar. 2019)
- ◆ A primer on mineral interests in Illinois real estate (June 2019)
- ◆ Mineral Law Community (June 2019)
- ◆ End of session summary of legislation affecting the coal industry (June 2019)
- ◆ Status of legislation affecting the oil and gas industry (June 2019)
- ◆ Illinois Department of Natural Resources report of May 31, 2019 (June 2019)