

HIGHLIGHTS TO THE 2025-2026 SUPPLEMENTS

The 2025-2026 supplements include expanded coverage of state oil and gas statutes and regulations, and new case law and statutory authority on topics including:

- Mineral life estates (see newly added § 40:22)
- Taking of oil and gas by cotenant (see § 2:44)
 - Judicial review of oil and gas conservation agency orders and rules (see § 4:16)
 - Regulation in North Dakota (see § 5:27)
 - Effect of pooling or unitization on contract and property relationships (see § 6:4)
 - Voluntary unit agreements for oil and gas operations (see § 6:25)
 - Creation of separate interests in oil and gas (see § 8:2)
 - Rights of owners of separate interests in oil and gas (see § 8:4)
 - Statutory loss of unused mineral interests (see § 8:11)
 - Bona fide purchasers of oil and gas leases (see § 12:12)
 - Introduction to duration of oil and gas leases (see § 14:1)
 - Primary and secondary terms of oil and gas leases (see § 14:2)
 - Habendum clauses in oil and gas leases (see § 14:3)
 - Savings clauses in oil and gas leases (see § 14:3.50)
 - Construction of oil and gas leases as contracts or conveyances (see § 16:2)
 - Construction of oil and gas lease favors lessor (see § 16:3)
 - Construction of oil and gas lease follows intent of parties (see § 16:5)
 - Implied covenant to develop lease (see § 17:15)
 - Implied covenant to market oil or gas (see § 17:20)
 - Introduction to assignment of oil and gas leases (see § 28:1)
 - Introduction to oil and gas bonus, rentals, and royalties (see § 30:1)
 - Procedures to enforce payment of oil and gas rents and royalties (see § 30:15)
 - Nonparticipating oil and gas royalty (see § 32:4)

- Distinguishing nonparticipating royalty from interest in minerals (see § 32:5)
- Texas oil and gas royalty interests (see § 32:24)
- Introduction to calculation of oil and gas royalties (see § 33:1)
- “Marketable product” rule for calculating oil and gas royalties (see § 33:3)
- Calculating gas royalties for sour, sweet and wet gas (see § 33:12)
- Casinghead gas contracts (see § 34:3)
- Contracts to convey oil and gas interests (see § 35:2)
- Land descriptions in contracts to convey oil and gas interests (see § 35:5)
- Deeds involving oil and gas interests (see § 35:8)
- Bona fide purchasers of oil and gas interests (see § 35:9)
- Construction of mineral and royalty transfers (see § 39:2)
- Intent of parties determines construction of mineral and royalty transfers (see § 39:3)
- Exceptions and reservations in mineral and royalty transfers (see § 39:6)
- Implied right of operators to reasonable use of premises (see § 41:4)
- Operator’s privilege to take oil, gas, and water (see § 41:12)
- The inclusion of New Mexico official form for oil and gas lease development (see new § 89:13).