

## **2021 WAPL Education Seminar Speaker Bios and Credentials**

### **Tyler S. Huckaby – Humble Midstream**

#### **Presentation Topic: Hydrogen for Wyoming**

Tyler Huckaby is responsible for developing administrative platforms, diligence and administration of land, rights-of-way and contracts. Before joining Humble Midstream, Tyler spent eight years at privately held Anschutz Exploration Corporation, acquiring acreage, negotiating lease agreements, operating agreements and performing other A&D functions for the company's Powder River Basin unit. He is a Registered Landman and an active member of the American Association of Professional Landman. Tyler graduated from the University of Denver with a Bachelor of Science in Business Administration and a certificate in petroleum land management.

### **Chris Petrie – Chairman, Wyoming Public Service Commission**

#### **Presentation Topic: Grid Security**

Governor Gordon appointed Chris Petrie to the Public Service Commission effective February 1, 2021. Petrie is a graduate of Niobrara County High School, received a Bachelor of Arts from the University of Wyoming in political economy (1990) and a Juris Doctor from the University of Wyoming College of Law (1993). He previously served as Secretary and Chief Counsel to the Commission, Staff Attorney for the Commission, Senior Counsel for the Wyoming Office of Consumer Advocate and in the Wyoming Attorney General's Office Civil Division and Consumer Protection Unit.

### **S. Thomas Throne – Throne Law Office, P.C.**

#### **Presentation Topic: Revised Force Pooling (Chapter 3, Section 2, 8(m))**

S. Thomas Throne is an attorney in Sheridan, Wyoming primarily handling oil and gas matters. Tom has practiced in Sheridan since 1979, starting with Lonabaugh & Riggs before commencing his own practice in September 1982. Since that time, Tom has expanded the size of the firm to its current size of (5) five lawyers.

Tom's emphasis is on representing oil and gas companies in preparation of title opinions, administrative hearings in front of the Wyoming Oil and Gas Conservation Commission and North Dakota Industrial Commission, and in litigation and transactions surrounding operating agreements, title issues and other surface and mineral use issues. Tom was active on the Coalbed Methane Ad Hoc Committee that secured the passage of the Enzi bill in the fall of 1998. In addition, Tom has been trustee for the Wyoming State Bar Association to the Rocky Mountain Mineral Law Foundation and is a member of the Public Lands Committee of the Interstate Oil and Gas Compact Commission on behalf of the State of Wyoming. Tom frequently gives presentations to oil and gas attorneys as well as land professionals in the Rocky Mountain region.

Tom was raised on a ranch in Campbell County, Wyoming that the family still owns. In addition to representing oil companies, Tom is the owner of mineral rights in Campbell County, Wyoming. Tom and his wife raised 4 daughters.

#### Bar Admissions

- Wyoming, 1979
- U.S. Federal Court, 1979
- North Dakota, 2010

#### Education

- **University of Wyoming, College of Law, Laramie, Wyoming**
  - J.D. - 1977
- **University of Denver. Denver Colorado**
  - B.S.B.A., cum laude – 1973
  - Major: Business Administration

### **Jacob (Jake) T. Haseman – Throne Law Office, P.C.**

#### **Presentation Topic: Ethics in the Oil and Gas Industry - Issues and Overview**

Jacob (Jake) T. Haseman is a Shareholder in the Sheridan, WY office and has practiced with Throne Law Office, P.C. since the fall of 2008. His practice focuses on regulatory and administrative work in front of the Wyoming Oil & Gas Conservation Commission and similar regulatory bodies, title examination, litigation surrounding oil and gas agreements and title issues, oil and gas transactions, eminent domain, and various surface issues for the oil, gas, and energy industries. Jake also has significant experience with general real property issues, real estate, coal, water, public lands, and federal environmental regulation. Jake also has a special interest in the ethical issues surrounding both the practice of law and the energy industry.

Prior to practicing in Sheridan, Jake worked as an Honors Trial Attorney for the United States Department of Justice's Environment and Natural Resources Division, Natural Resources Section in Washington, D.C. Jake is a 2015 graduate of Leadership Wyoming and an active member of his community, currently serves as president of the Sheridan County YMCA, and is an active alumni and supporter of both the University of Wyoming and the University of Wisconsin - Stevens Point.

Jake was raised in Lafayette, Indiana. After receiving a natural resource-based undergraduate education in Stevens Point, Wisconsin and before receiving his legal education in Wyoming, Jake lived and worked in the Chugach National Forest in Alaska. Jake is an avid fly fisherman and enjoys exploring the mountains and open spaces of the West with his family and friends.

#### Bar Admissions

- Wyoming
- Montana
- North Dakota
- Arizona
- Wisconsin
- U.S. District Court, District of Wyoming

- U.S. District Court, District of Montana
- U.S. District Court, District of North Dakota
- U.S. Court of Federal Claims

#### Education

- **2007** - University of Wyoming College of Law, J.D. *w/honore*
- **2003** - University of Wisconsin – Stevens Point, Stevens Point, B.S. *cum laude*
  - Physical/Environmental Geography, Environmental Ethics (Majors)
  - Political Science, Earth Science, Geology (Minors)

#### **Jason D. Wasserburger – Throne Law Office, P.C.**

##### **Presentation Topic: Wyoming Law Update**

Jason D. Wasserburger is fourth generation native Wyomingite who grew up on his family’s ranch north of Lusk. A graduate of Niobrara County High School, he attended the University of Wyoming, where he received the prestigious Admiral Emory S. Land Award and graduated with a Bachelor’s Degree in Political Science. Jason attended the University of Wyoming College of Law and graduated in May 2008. Prior to joining Throne Law Office, P.C., Jason was a water policy advisor for Governor Mead where he advised on a litany of water issues that affected the State of Wyoming. Jason also worked for Lubnau Law Office, PC on civil litigation matters

Jason is active in many Wyoming communities as a top Wyoming High School Activities Association (“WHSAA”) wrestling official and was been named WHSAA’s Wrestling Official of the Year for the 2012-2013 season. When not working, officiating, working on his yard, playing rec sports, or watching his beloved Colorado Rockies, Jason enjoys spending time with his wife and two young children, Jensen and Blake.

#### Bar Admissions

- Wyoming (2008)
- Oklahoma (2016)

#### Education

- University of Wyoming College of Law, Laramie, Wyoming  
J.D. – 2008
- University of Wyoming, Laramie, Wyoming  
B.S.. – 2005

#### **Alexis (Lexie) A. Townsley – Throne Law Office, P.C.**

##### **Presentation Topic: Wyoming Oil and Gas Commission Changes**

Alexis (Lexie) A. Townsley joined Throne Law Office in September of 2012 and is a Shareholder in the Sheridan Office. Lexie primary focus is natural resources and environmental law. She assists oil, gas, and other mineral companies in the preparation of mineral title opinions, as well as related mineral transactions, administrative matters in front of the Wyoming Oil and Gas Conservation

Commission, mineral probate proceedings, contract and conveyance preparation, and curative title work.

Lexie graduated from the University of Wyoming College of Law in 2012, where she also worked extensively for the University of Wyoming during her undergraduate and law school years. She received her undergraduate degree from the University of Wyoming in 2009, graduating Summa Cum Laude with Phi Beta Kappa honors.

Lexie is Wyoming born and raised, originally from Wheatland in Platte County, Wyoming. As a life-long native, Lexie enjoys training colts, raising livestock, showing horses and mules, and packing and hunting the wilderness of Wyoming. Additionally, Lexie also provides pro bono legal representation for Sheridan's WYO Theater and CHAPS (Children, Horses, and Adults in PartnerShip) Equine Assisted Therapy Center.

#### Bar Admissions

- Wyoming, 2012
- Colorado, 2012
- North Dakota, 2013
- U.S. District Court of Wyoming, 2012
- U.S. District Court of Colorado, 2012
- U.S. District Court of North Dakota, 2013

#### Education

- University of Wyoming, Laramie, Wyoming
  - College of Arts and Sciences
  - B.A. – 2009
- University of Wyoming College of Law, Laramie, Wyoming
  - J.D. – 2012