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OVERVIEW

Katie handles real estate transactions in the energy industry.

Katie's decision to pursue law stemmed from a lifelong interest in problem-solving. She had been torn between a career as an engineer or a career as an attorney, and she worked first as a petroleum engineer. Her role included the opportunity to serve as a technical witness, an experience that rekindled her love for law and motivated her to enroll in law school.

Always drawn to the energy sector, Katie's enthusiasm for energy law was solidified during her law school years, where coursework helped her develop a comprehensive understanding of both renewable and nonrenewable energy sources. After previously working as a petroleum engineer, Katie already possessed a deep understanding of the oil and gas industry. Her prior career had involved bridging the gap between landowners and operations, collaborating with in-house attorneys, and serving as a technical witness in civil litigation. This background gave her valuable insights into the practical aspects of energy law.

Katie further honed her skills during an in-house internship with Koch Industries, where she gained a unique perspective on the collaboration between in-house and outside counsel. This experience allowed her to see firsthand how diverse types of lawyers work together to achieve common goals.

Clients will find Katie to be a patient, communicative, and knowledgeable attorney. Her background in engineering and her legal training makes her a valuable and unique asset in tackling complex real estate and energy transactions.

Education

- J.D., University of Oklahoma College of Law
  - Oil and Gas, Natural Resources, and Energy Law Certificate
  - Order of Solicitors

- B.S., Marietta College
  - Petroleum Engineering
  - *cum laude*

- B.S., Marietta College
  - Geology
  - *cum laude*

- Engineering Leadership Certificate, Marietta College

Admissions

- Missouri