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## EXPERTISE

Energy Industry and Oil & Gas Industry

## EDUCATION

University of Texas School of Law, J.D., 2007

University of Texas at Austin, B.B.A., 2003

## ADMITTED IN

Colorado, North Dakota, Texas, and Wyoming

Craig Gleaton is a partner in the Natural Resources Department of Davis Graham & Stubbs LLP. His practice has an emphasis on oil and gas transactional, operational, commercial, and title matters, specifically those that involve negotiating transactions for upstream and midstream oil and gas companies. Mr. Gleaton has negotiated purchase and sale, joint operating, farmout, joint venture, gas gathering and processing, and various other agreements. He is licensed to practice law in Colorado, North Dakota, Texas, and Wyoming.

Prior to rejoining DGS, Mr. Gleaton was the co-founder of a boutique oil and gas law firm with offices in Denver, Colorado and Fort Worth, Texas. Before that and after working at DGS as an associate, he served as in-house senior counsel for SM Energy Company. There, he negotiated asset acquisition and divestitures exceeding \$5 billion in value, various commercial contracts, drilling contracts and master service agreements, surface acquisitions, and commercial real estate purchases and leases. Mr. Gleaton also assisted in implementing a company-wide standard A.A.P.L. operating agreement and assisted with various operational matters, including general land and land administration support, bankruptcy protection strategies, title disputes, payment issues, royalty claims, surface use agreements, and pipeline rights-of-way.

Mr. Gleaton has authored several hundred title opinions in Texas, Wyoming, North Dakota, and Colorado. During law school, Mr. Gleaton was a field landman in the Austin

Chalk and Barnett Shale, as well as a legal intern at the Texas General Land Office.