

Biography - Poe Leggette

Poe Leggette has worked on Outer Continental Shelf issues since 1980. He was a lawyer at the Department of the Interior, advising on OCS matters, both domestic and international, during the Carter, Reagan, and Bush (41) administrations.

At the time he left the Department in 1991, Poe was serving as Assistant Solicitor for the U.S. Department of the Interior, advising on its onshore and offshore energy programs.

Now a partner with Baker Hostetler, Poe co-leads the firm's national energy industry team, which was named 2015 Practice Group of the Year by Law 360 and Colorado Lawyer of the Year (while in Denver). Poe was a managing partner in Baker Hostetler's Denver office until they sent him packing to Houston in 2018.

Poe's work includes defending various Five-Year OCS Oil and Gas Leasing Schedules, OCS lease sales, and approvals of exploration plans and development and production plans. He was extensively involved in litigation over the Deepwater Royalty Relief Act and in a challenge to the Interior Department's Gulf of Mexico permit moratorium in 2010-11. He currently is defending hydraulic fracturing in the Pacific OCS, challenging Interior Department disallowances of transportation deductions for Gulf of Mexico leases, and advising on lease abandonment obligations.