

ENERGY AND THE LAW

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Energy and the Law will cover the laws, key regulations and selected cases and case studies on the following topics: energy policy, regulation and land status/ownership issues, oil (on & offshore), natural gas (including coalbed methane), mining (coal and hard rock, i.e., perhaps compare/contrast SMCRA with the 1872 Mining Law, etc), nuclear power, hydropower and alternative energy sources (solar, tidal, wind, etc.). In addition to an exploration of black letter law, I think that the overarching themes and questions could include climate change issues, political stability, and the formation of new energy economies.