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Welcome to the fifth issue of Volume 3 of the University of Oklahoma College of Law’s *Oil and Gas, Natural Resources, and Energy Journal* ("ONE J"). In this issue, we are pleased to publish two articles: one examines recent cases in the area of oil and gas royalty litigation, and the other explores the history of fossil fuel production in the Permian Basin. Today’s issue also features summaries of recent cases that are relevant to the energy industry.

Ms. Pamela S. Anderson is a shareholder at Hall, Estill, Hardwick, Gable, Golden & Nelson in Tulsa, Oklahoma. She received her B.A. in Psychology, *magna cum laude*, from the University of Tulsa and her J.D. with honors from the University of Tulsa College of Law. Her article, *Update on Oklahoma Oil and Gas Royalty Litigation*, analyzes the production, transportation, and sale of natural gas, considering the question of when gas is a “marketable product” in Oklahoma. The article also reviews recent decisions in class action royalty litigation and other noteworthy cases. Ms. Anderson originally presented her article in November 2017 at the annual Eugene Kuntz Conference on Natural Resources Law and Policy in Oklahoma City.

Professor Joseph R. Dancy is the Executive Director of the University of Oklahoma College of Law’s Oil and Gas, Natural Resources, and Energy Center. Professor Dancy received a B.S. in Metallurgical Engineering/Mineral Processing from Michigan Technological University. He later earned an MBA from the University of Michigan and a J.D. from Oklahoma City University School of Law. In addition to his scholarly work, Professor Dancy is the President of LSGI Advisors and a Texas Representative to the Interstate Oil & Gas Commission. His article, *From the Drake Well to the Santa Rita #1: The History of the U.S. Permian Basin*, explores the origins of oil and gas development in the Permian Basin with an eye toward technological innovation. The article contends that the energy industry’s evolving technologies have helped make the Permian Basin one of the planet’s most profitable oil and gas landscapes.

Thank you for your interest in this edition of ONE J. The Journal sincerely thanks Ms. Anderson and Professor Dancy for their permission to publish their work. And many thanks to Mr. Michael Waters for his exemplary technical support. We welcome your article submissions and topic suggestions for future issues. Please help us promote the Journal by sharing the link to our Digital Commons page. You can also find us on Twitter by searching @ONEJ_OULaw. Please follow us for information about future publications, events, and relevant industry news.
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