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Practice Areas

Business & Commercial Transactions

Disaster Preparedness & Recovery

Economic Development

Energy

Environmental & Toxic Torts

Green Law & Sustainability

Real Estate: Land Use, Development & Finance

Bar Admissions

Louisiana, 1974

Education

Paul M. Hebert Law Center, Louisiana State University, J.D., 1974; Vice President of Senior Class

Louisiana State University, B.S. in Industrial Management, 1971



Rob Scheffy is a partner in the firm's Real Estate Practice Group. He has an extensive commercial real estate practice representing lenders, borrowers, and developers. His work includes extensive title examination; negotiating loan agreements and other collateral documents for lenders and borrowers; and providing counsel to lenders and borrowers on land use issues including zoning, coastal use permitting, Section 404 permitting, and environmental site assessments. Mr. Scheffy previously served as the Associate General Counsel for Mid Louisiana Gas Company from 1974–1977, and later was in private practice before joining Jones Walker.

Mr. Scheffy's energy practice includes the representation of pipeline companies and exploration and production companies in connection with the development, purchase, and sale of producing properties. Most recently, Mr. Scheffy has been involved with matters related to the acquisition and permitting for the storage of natural gas in salt dome caverns and depleted hydrocarbon reservoirs, as well as the acquisition of producing properties.

Mr. Scheffy has extensive experience in connection with the representation of exploration and production companies including title review activities, including preliminary drill site title opinions, division order title opinions, and financing title opinions. Mr. Scheffy has also represented pipeline companies in connection with the acquisition of rights of way and the planning of pipeline alignment.

Mr. Scheffy has also been involved in project development work in connection with commercial real estate development, industrial plant operations, and the development of underground storage facilities. He has provided counsel to clients with regard to developing commercial shopping center sites and residential developments, as well as with structuring the relationships between chemical plants for the sharing of facilities, utilities,

and services, and the granting of reciprocal servitudes for operations. He has also worked on the financing of such transactions. Mr. Scheffy has worked on similar arrangements between electrical power generators, exempt wholesale generators, and electrical transmission companies, and has worked on and drafted the necessary servitude (easement) agreements necessary to bring power and/or fuel to such facilities, as well as to deliver product from such plants. In providing such advice, he has been involved in land use planning issues, environmental regulatory issues, and financing issues involving commercial real estate projects, industrial projects, and power generation projects.

Noteworthy

- Listed in *The Best Lawyers in America*® 2010 (Copyright 2009 by Woodward/White, Inc., Aiken, SC) in the areas of Energy Law, Natural Resources Law, and Oil & Gas Law (listed annually since 2005)
 - **AV® Peer Review Rating in Martindale-Hubbell**
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Presentations

- "The Carbon Capture Continuum—From Study and Production to Capture and Consumption"
Baton Rouge, Louisiana, July 23, 2009
 - Real Estate Breakfast Briefing
Baton Rouge, Louisiana, December 15, 2006
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Publications

- "New Construction Codes"
E*Lert, January 11, 2007
 - "Rapanos, Carabell and Where Do We Go From Here?"
E*Lert, June 26, 2006
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Memberships

- American Bar Association (Member, Sections on Environment, Energy and Resources, Real Property, Probate and Trust Law)
- Baton Rouge Association of Petroleum Landmen (Founding Member and Founding Board Member; Current Board Member)
- Baton Rouge Bar Association (Past President, Young Lawyers Section)

- Baton Rouge Property Lawyers Association
 - Commonwealth Land Title Insurance Company (Approved Agent)
 - First American Title Insurance Company (Approved Agent)
 - Licensed as a Louisiana Title Insurance Agent
 - Louisiana Bank Counsel Association
 - Louisiana State Bar Association, Baton Rouge Bank Counsel Association (Member, Section on Mineral Law; Past Council Member, Section on Mineral Law, LSBA; Member, Section on Trusts, Estate, Probate & Immovable Property Law; Member, Section on Environmental Law; Member, Section on Corporate & Business Law)
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Court Admissions

E.D. La., 1976

M.D. La., 1978

W.D. La., 1994