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Petroleum Marketing Practices Act 101

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9:00 am PDT, 10:00 am MDT, 11:00 am CDT, 12:00 pm EDT for 1.5 hours
Complimentary Registration!

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This webinar will provide an overview of the Petroleum Marketing Practices Act ("PMPA") and how it impacts business relationships. The presentation will be given by practitioners with extensive experience drafting PMPA contracts, advising on a wide range of PMPA issues, and litigating PMPA disputes. Topics will include when the PMPA applies and the limitations it sets, including whether it limits termination or nonrenewal of agreements. The speakers will highlight the most common pitfalls for companies under the PMPA and address both transactional considerations and disputes that arise under the PMPA. This program will provide new practitioners a better understanding of the PMPA, and act as a refresher for seasoned practitioners.

Speaker Biographies

**ABBY RISNER**
ABBY RISNER is an Officer in the St. Louis office of Greensfelder. Abby is the leader of Greensfelder's Energy Industry Group and routinely represents clients in petroleum marketing disputes, and advises on business issues associated with the Petroleum Marketing Practices Act (PMPA), retail motor fuel marketing, including pricing, contracts, antitrust, and termination issues. She has defended claims against oil companies related to termination under the PMPA and franchise laws, breach of contract and fraud claims, alleged unlawful motor fuel pricing practices, deed restrictions, and consumer protection claims. Her knowledge of the energy sector and the trial process has made her an important resource for the global companies she represents.

**KAREN STAIB**
KAREN STAIB is a member of the Shipman & Goodwin's Management Committee in Hartford, Connecticut. She practices in the areas of complex business and commercial litigation, particularly in franchise and petroleum marketing matters, including representing major refiners and wholesalers in all aspects of petroleum marketing-related counseling and litigation, particularly dealer terminations under the PMPA and complex multi-dealer litigation involving claims related to pricing, rent, assignment and other franchise-related issues. Karen regularly represents clients in state and federal courts, both at the trial and appellate levels. Prior to joining the firm, Karen was a law clerk to the Honorable Flemming L. Norcott, Jr., of the Connecticut Supreme Court.

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