
Two Gray Reed Attorneys Pass Texas Board Certification Exams

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Gray Reed is pleased to announce that two Gray Reed lawyers passed the challenging and prestigious Texas Board of Legal Specialization (TBLS) exams. [Evie Lalangas](#) is Board Certified in Health Law and [Ethan Wood](#) is Board Certified in Oil, Gas and Mineral Law. The firm now has six Board Certified [Health Law](#) attorneys and four Board Certified [Oil, Gas and Mineral Law](#) attorneys.

Lalangas brings an insider's perspective to the firm's health care and business services expertise. Having worked for health-related nonprofits and the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, she not only understands the legal issues surrounding the health care industry, but also the policy and business concerns. Her unique vantage point gives her an intimate understanding of her clients' perspectives, and enables her to help them achieve their goals in the health care field and beyond. Lalangas primarily works with hospitals, surgery centers, physicians, dentists, home health and hospice agencies, pharmacies, medical device companies, laboratories and other ancillary service providers.

Wood advises upstream and midstream energy clients on the entire range of transactions and issues that arise during oil and gas operations in Texas and many states across the country. He has guided clients through a variety of multi-million-dollar deals and other operational transactions, with a strong emphasis on the acquisition, divestiture and financing of producing assets, private securities offerings, oil and gas leases and joint operating agreements. Wood also conducts title examinations and renders opinions for producers with drilling operations throughout Texas and coordinates identical activities with local counsel in multiple jurisdictions, including New Mexico, Ohio, Pennsylvania and Oklahoma.

Gray Reed has a total of 29 Board Certified attorneys across several areas of law including Bankruptcy; Civil Trial; Commercial Real Estate; Estate Planning and Probate; Family Law; Health Law; Oil, Gas and Mineral Law; and Taxation.

TBLS Board Certification is a voluntary designation program certifying Texas attorneys in 24 specific areas of law. Board Certified attorneys must be licensed for at least five years, devote a required percentage of practice to a specialty area for at least three years, attend continuing education seminars, pass an evaluation by fellow lawyers and judges and pass a daylong written examination. Initial certification is valid for five years. To remain certified, attorneys and paralegals must apply for recertification every five years and meet substantial involvement, peer review and continuing legal education requirements for their specialty area.



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