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Edith (Edie) Gillespie is senior counsel whose practice focuses on energy, commercial and corporate matters, including upstream and midstream oil and gas and LNG. She has been actively involved in advising clients on the development and operation of unconventional and conventional resources, and the evaluation and development of LNG opportunities in Canada. Edie has successfully led legal negotiations in acquisitions and divestures of all sizes, including asset and corporate transactions. She also frequently advises clients on general corporate matters, including structuring, contracting and addressing strategic concerns.

Edie is a former in-house counsel with over 30-years of experience in private practice, which gives her an advanced understanding of the expectations of outside counsel and recognition of her clients' business needs.

Accolades

- *Best Lawyers in Canada 2020* in Energy Law, Natural Resources Law and Oil & Gas Law.

Representative Work

- An undisclosed bidder in its proposed acquisition of Enbridge Inc.'s provincially and federally regulated natural gas pipeline and processing facilities.
- Jinchang Energy Ltd. in its acquisition of Insignia Energy Ltd. for an undisclosed sum to consolidate assets in the Dixonville and Valhalla areas of Alberta.
- Journey Energy Inc. in its \$35.6M acquisition of interest in Central Alberta liquids-rich gas production from a private company.
- Centrica plc in the C\$722M acquisition of its Canadian oil and gas exploration and production business by Canlin Energy Corporation, a consortium of two Hong Kong-based companies, MIE Holdings Corp. and Can-China Global Resource Fund, and Geneva-based Mercuria Energy Group.
- An international major in negotiations for the project agreements relating to its Montney gas assets.
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- An international company in the acquisition of transportation and marketing contracts for C\$120M.
- Journey Energy in its \$176M acquisition of assets from a senior exploration and production company.
- Private company on the sale of its units of a private partnership for approximately C\$255M.

- PTTEP Canada Limited in its acquisition of the remaining 60% ownership interest in the Thornbury, Hangingstone and South Leismer oil sands areas from Statoil Canada Ltd., in exchange for its 40% stake in the Leismer and Corner projects and C\$200M in cash.

Legal Posts

The following posts are available on Stikeman.com:

- [Oil and Gas in Canada: Structure and Prospects of the Industry](#)

Professional Activities

Eddie is a member of the Law Society of Alberta and the Canadian and Calgary Bar Associations. She is an active member of the Association of International Petroleum Negotiators, including the committee to develop a joint operating agreement for unconventional resources. Eddie is also a past president and former board member of the Canadian Energy Law Foundation.

Background

Eddie is former in-house counsel with the Canadian subsidiary of Apache Corporation, a major international oil and gas exploration and production company. In her role, she gained direct experience with the company's LNG project in British Columbia, a proposed development with another major international oil and gas company, participating in the drafting and negotiating of many of the agreements relating to the project.

Eddie's experience includes drafting, negotiating and reviewing documentation related to upstream assets and operations, midstream assets, facilities and offtake arrangements. She has extensive experience with all elements of the landholding system in northeastern British Columbia, including title review, joint venture agreements, special projects, operational issues (such as sand and water agreements), and regulation under the Energy, Mines and Petroleum Resources ministry including upstream, midstream and facility matters.

Education

University of Calgary (LL.B. 1985)
University of Manitoba (B.N. 1977)

Bar Admission

Alberta, 1986