



## Timothy J. Sullivan, Jr.



Tim Sullivan is a Shareholder at GableGotwals. He represents companies in complex commercial and civil litigation, with a focus on the oil and gas industry. He has extensive experience representing publicly-traded oil and gas companies in litigation in state and federal courts nationwide. In addition to his work for clients in the energy industry, he has substantial experience representing clients in the commercial real estate, financial services, pharmaceutical, and software industries.

Prior to joining GableGotwals in 2018, Tim spent eight years in the Washington, D.C., office of King & Spalding. He is a native of Tulsa.

### **Representative Experience:**

- Representing a Fortune 500 midstream company in breach of contract dispute in Oklahoma state court concerning claims for payment arising out of Winter Storm Uri and pipeline corrosion claims.
- Representing a Fortune 500 pipeline company in condemnation proceedings in U.S. District Court for the Western District of Virginia concerning encroachment on pipeline's easement rights.
- Obtained win before the Oklahoma Supreme Court in statutory interpretation dispute regarding the rate at which the Oklahoma Department of Corrections must reimburse state counties for the temporary housing of state inmates.
- On behalf of a Fortune 500 oil and gas company, prevailed on a motion to dismiss claims filed by working interest owners for gas balancing claims under a joint operating agreement.
- Obtained a unanimous jury trial verdict in Oklahoma state court in breach of contract action on behalf of commercial landlord against tenant who violated terms of the lease.
- Obtained favorable settlement for Fortune 500 oil and gas company in dispute in Oklahoma state court regarding gas balancing provision in joint operating agreement.
- Representing a Fortune 500 midstream oil and gas company in a contract dispute over gas purchase agreements in Oklahoma state court.
- Representing an international Fortune 500 oil and gas company in lawsuits in Oklahoma state court concerning royalty payments.
- Representing a publicly-traded midstream oil and gas company in Texas state court regarding a dispute over a pipeline construction contract.

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### **SERVICES**

- Energy, Oil & Gas
- Litigation (State & Federal)
- Construction

### **EDUCATION**

- J.D., Notre Dame Law School, 2009
- B.A., Loyola University, New Orleans, LA, with honors, 2005

### **ADMISSIONS**

- Oklahoma
- District of Columbia
- Maryland

### **PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS**

- Oklahoma Bar Association
- Tulsa County Bar Association
- Advisory Board, Institute for Energy Law
- Leadership Class, Institute for Energy Law, 2019-2020

### **RECOGNITION HIGHLIGHTS**

- *Best Lawyers in America*, 2021-2026  
Energy Law, Commercial Litigation

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- Represented an international oil and gas company in legacy lawsuits in Oklahoma state and federal court concerning alleged groundwater contamination.
- Represented an international oil and gas company in actions filed in California state court by a municipality, which involved a first-of-its-kind claim for lost property taxes in addition to suits brought by 30,000 area residents for personal injuries and property damages in connection with a refinery fire.\*
- Counseled an international oil and gas company in the U.S. District Court for the District of Maryland, regarding breach of contract, indemnification, and other claims arising out of leaks from an underground pipeline near Baltimore harbor.\*
- Advised an applicant in the Department of Justice's Antitrust Division's Corporate Leniency Program in a nearly two-year internal investigation. The Justice Department closed the investigation.\*
- Obtained summary judgment dismissal for a national accounting firm in a tax malpractice case in Texas district court and the Texas Court of Appeals.\*
- Advised a Big Four accounting firm in a civil lawsuit concerning fraud, malpractice, breach of contract, and RICO claims.\*
- Represented a Big Four accounting firm partner in the first contested PCAOB disciplinary proceeding.\*
- Obtained favorable settlement for a mobile phone software manufacturer in breach of contract and unfair competition case relating to licensing terms in a case before the U.S. District Courts of Delaware and the Northern District of California, the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit, and an UNCITRAL arbitration in London.\*
- Obtained dismissal of all claims against a global real estate company in suit filed in the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of New York, by representatives of the Occupy Wall Street movement.\*
- Represented major oil and gas companies in UNCITRAL international arbitrations against South American and North African countries concerning violations of international obligations under bilateral investment treaties.\*
- Counseled a national pharmaceutical company regarding a Congressional investigation into the marketing of opioid pain medications.\*
- Represented an engineering consulting company in a Congressional investigation into a Department of Energy grant award program.\*

*\*denotes experience prior to joining the Firm.*