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# Practical IP Lessons From the Field: Protecting Innovation in Oil & Gas

## Energy Law Insights

### SPEAKERS

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Join Troutman Pepper Locke Partners Greg Len and Charles Baker for a concise, practitioner-focused conversation on how intellectual property issues play out across the oil and gas value chain. Drawing on real litigation experience — including a wellhead assembly dispute that sparked both defensive and offensive IP strategies — they explore where patent and trade secret conflicts most often arise (upstream) and how downstream operators prioritize brand protection.

### Sections

- A Pivotal Wellhead Patent Case: Technology, Strategy, and Outcome
- Upstream, Midstream, Downstream: Where IP Disputes Really Happen
- The Landscape of Trademark and Unfair Competition Enforcement
- Petrochemical and Chemical Engineering IP Capabilities

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