



CHAPTER 113
ARTICLE 27 - OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION

N.C.G.S. § 113-425.

Registry of landmen required.

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§ 113-425(a) Establishment of Registry. - The Department of Environmental Quality, in consultation with the Consumer Protection Division of the North Carolina Department of Justice, shall establish and maintain a registry of landmen operating in this State. As used in this section, "landman" means a person that, in the course and scope of the person's business, does any of the following:

- (1) Acquires or manages oil or gas interests.
- (2) Performs title or contract functions related to the exploration, exploitation, or disposition of oil or gas interests.
- (3) Negotiates for the acquisition or divestiture of oil or gas rights, including the acquisition or divestiture of land or oil or gas rights for a pipeline.
- (4) Negotiates business agreements that provide for the exploration for or development of oil or gas.

§ 113-425(b) Registration Required. - A person may not act, offer to act, or hold oneself out as a landman in this State unless the person is registered with the Department in accordance with this section. To apply for registration as a landman, a person shall submit an application to the Department on a form to be provided by the Department, which shall include, at a minimum, all of the following information:

- (1) The name of the applicant or, if the applicant is not an individual, the names and addresses of all principals of the applicant.
- (2) The business address, telephone number, and email address of the applicant.

- (3) The social security number of the applicant or, if the applicant is not an individual, the federal employer identification number of the applicant.
- (4) A list of all states and other jurisdictions in which the applicant holds or has held a similar registration or license.
- (5) A list of all states and other jurisdictions in which the applicant has had a similar registration or license suspended or revoked.
- (6) A statement whether any pending judgments or tax liens exist against the applicant.

§ 113-425(c)

The Department may deny registration to an applicant, reprimand a registrant, suspend or revoke a registration, or impose a civil penalty on a registrant if the Department determines that the applicant or registrant does any of the following:

- (1) Fraudulently or deceptively obtains, or attempts to obtain, a registration.
- (2) Uses or attempts to use an expired, suspended, or revoked registration.
- (3) Falsely represents oneself as a registered landman.
- (4) Engages in any other fraud, deception, misrepresentation, or knowing omission of material facts related to oil or gas interests.
- (5) Had a similar registration or license denied, suspended, or revoked in another state or jurisdiction.
- (6) Otherwise violates this section.

§ 113-425(d)

An applicant may challenge a denial, suspension, or revocation of a registration or a reprimand issued pursuant to subsection (c) of this section, as provided in Chapter 150B of the General Statutes.

§ 113-425(e)

The Department shall adopt rules as necessary to implement the provisions of this section. (2012-143, s. 4(g); 2015-241, s. 14.30(u); 2025-25, s. 29(1).)

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