



WVCA Annual Mining Symposium 2016

Day 2

Day 2 took place on Thursday, January 28, 2016 beginning with a breakfast sponsored by Walker Machinery and Dinsmore & Shohl. Bill Raney President, WVCA. Introduced Patrick Morrissey, West Virginia Attorney General, who gave a talk entitled **Fighting the Fight**. This was followed by the **Environmental Litigation Update** panel featuring presentations by [Bob McClusky](#), Jackson Kelly; Robert Stonestreet, Bapst Calland; [Dave Yaussy](#), Spillman, Thomas & Battle; and [Allyn Turner](#), Steptoe & Johnson. The panel was moderated by Jason Bostic.

After the break, sponsored by Spillman, Thomas & Battle, Roger Calhoun, OSM, Charleston Field Office, presented **Federal Surface Mining Regulations Update**. A panel discussion **WV Division of Mining and Reclamation** then followed comprising: Harold Ward, Lewis Halstead, John Vernon, Russ Hunter, and Jeff Parsons.

The [Annual Reclamation Awards Luncheon](#) sponsored by Bapst Calland and Civil and Environmental Consultants then took place with the awards presentation by Randy Huffman, Secretary, WV Department of Environmental Protection. **The Greenlands Award** was presented to Wolf Run Mining Company, Wolf Run Complex. **The Good Neighbor Award** was won by Coal-Mac, Inc., Phoenix No. 4 Surface Mine.

The Forestry Reclamation Award was won by Coal-Mac, Inc., Phoenix No. 1 Surface Mine.

In the afternoon, a panel discussion **The 114th Congress: Looking Ahead** was presented with Congressman David McKinley, WV 1st District; Congressman Alex Mooney, WV 2nd District; and Congressman Evan Jenkins, WV 3rd District. This was followed by **Coal Production in West Virginia (2015-2035)** by Dr. John Deskins, Director, WVU Business and Economic Research Bureau.

Jeff Herholdt, Director, WV Division of Energy, then presented [WV Energy Trends](#). This was followed by **WV Political Landscape** by Mark Blankenship, President and CEO. The **Legislative Panel** comprised Senator Art Kirkendoll, Delegate Rupie Phillips, Delegate Josh Nelson, and Delegate Randy Smith. The meeting then adjourned.



Patrick Morrissey



Roger Calhoun



Environmental Litigation Panel



WV Div of Mining & Reclamation Panel



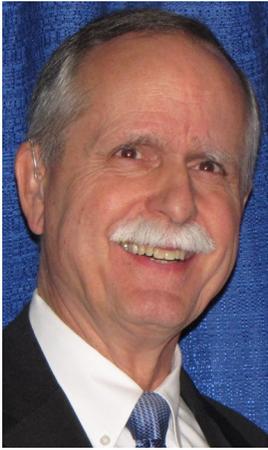
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Coal-Mac, Inc. Phoenix No. 4 Surface



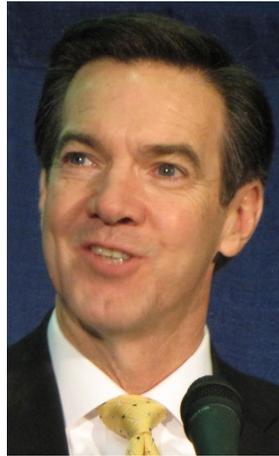
Wolf Run Mining Company, Wolf Run Complex



David McKinley



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Dr. John Deskins