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**Philip A. "Andy" Schlimmer is a Member in the Energy and Oil & Gas industry groups, focusing primarily on real estate and business law. He practices out of the Firm's office in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.**

Andy routinely drafts and negotiates construction agreements, lease agreements, easement and operating agreements, facilities and use agreements, shareholder's agreements, and retail space agreement renewals. His work involves all aspects of land acquisition and use and curative title work. Being an agent for three title insurance companies, Andy also routinely issues title insurance policies insuring developers and national Fortune 500 companies in land acquisition and development projects in Pennsylvania and West Virginia, including new construction and buildouts for retailers.

Andy is also well versed in the oil and gas industry. He drafts and produces certified oil and gas drilling title opinions, counsels and advises oil and gas exploration and production companies regarding all aspects related to the acquisition of leasehold interests, negotiates acquisition of leasehold and mineral interests in the Marcellus Shale play region, performs due diligence, assists with various energy litigation matters, and coordinates and manages large-scale title projects in Pennsylvania and West Virginia.

More recently, Andy has advised solar developers in the acquisition of land concerning large-scale solar development sites in Pennsylvania. Whether negotiating on behalf of solar developers or drafting solar lease agreements, Andy is quite familiar with the nuances of land acquisition in connection with new solar developments.

Originally from North Carolina, Andy graduated from Presbyterian College in Clinton, South Carolina, with a Bachelor of Arts degree in political science and received his Juris Doctor from Ohio Northern University Pettit College of Law in Ada, Ohio. Away from the office, Andy enjoys spending time with his wife and their American bulldog. An avid all-around sports fan, Andy's favorite team to follow is the Carolina Panthers.

## Awards

- Listed in *The Best Lawyers in America*® "Ones to Watch" for Mergers & Acquisitions Law, 2022

## Work History

- Jackson Kelly PLLC (2022-Present)
- Bowles Rice LLP, Associate (2014-2020), Partner (2021-2022)
- Citizen Advocacy Center, Elmhurst, Illinois, Legal Clerk (2013)
- Davidson County (NC) Attorney's Office, Legal Clerk (2010-2011)

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## Practices

- Business Law
- Real Estate

- Renewable Energy

## Industries

- Energy
- Oil & Gas

## Education

- Ohio Northern University Claude W. Pettit College of Law (J.D., 2012)
- Presbyterian College (B.A. in Political Science, 2009)
  - Football Team, Starting Kicker (2005-2006)

## Admissions

- Pennsylvania (2013)
- West Virginia (2015)
- Supreme Court of Pennsylvania (2013)
- West Virginia Supreme Court of Appeals (2015)
- U.S. District Court, Southern District of West Virginia (2015)

## Professional Organizations

- Energy & Mineral Law Foundation
- Washington County Bar Association

## Community

- Allegheny County Bar Association Basketball League
- Generation Mid-Ohio Valley, Former Fellowship/Networking Chair
- Generation West Virginia, Former Board Member

## Speaking Engagements & Publications

### Speaking Engagements

- Presenter, "Legal Descriptions, Title Insurance and Surveys in Real Estate Transactions — Unearth Hidden Issues and Put Them to Rest," National Business Institute Online Seminar, Dec. 3, 2020