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Mr. Bassett has published numerous articles for the Rocky Mountain Mineral Law Foundation, of which he is Chair of the International Committee, and for the International Bar Association Section on Energy and Natural Resources Law, of which he is a past Chair of the Mining Committee. He has co-chaired five Special Institutes on International Mining Law, jointly sponsored by these two organizations.

Mr. Bassett has been and adjunct professor at the University of Denver, College of Law Masters Degree program in international mining law since 1997, and a lecturer at the Centre for Energy, Petroleum and Mineral Law and Policy at the University of Dundee, Scotland.

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES Chair, International Committee, Rocky Mountain Mineral Law Foundation Chair, Mineral Law Committee, International Bar Association Section on Energy and Natural Resources Law (2000-2006) Member, International Bar Association Member, Colorado Bar Association Member, Alaska Bar Association Member, State Bar of New Mexico

PUBLICATIONS AND SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS **Presentations**
Program Co-Chair, "International Mining and Oil & Gas Law, Development and Investment," International Bar Association, Section on Energy and Resources Law and Rocky Mountain Mineral Law Foundation, sponsors, Buenos Aires, Argentina (April 2007)

Program Committee, "Uranium Exploration and Development," Rocky Mountain Mineral Law Foundation, Denver, Colorado (April 27-28, 2006)

Program Chair, "Constraints in the Development of Nigeria's Mining Sector," International Bar Association Section on Energy and Resources Law, Lagos, Nigeria (January 31, 2006)

"Mining Reclamation and Damages: the United States, International Bar Association Annual Conference, Prague, Czech Republic (September, 2005)

"The Impact of Cultural Resources Law on the U.S. Mining Industry," International Bar Association Annual Conference, presented in San Francisco, California (September, 2004)

Program Chair, "Corporate Governance in the Mining Industry," International Bar Association Section on Energy and Resources Law, 16th Advanced Seminar on Petroleum, Minerals, Energy & Resources Law, presented in San Francisco, California (March 2004)

Program Chair, "International Resources Law and Projects," International Bar Association Section on Energy & Natural Resources Law and Rocky Mountain Mineral Law Foundation, sponsors, Santa Fe, NM (April 1999)
"A Selective Review of Laws Requiring Reclamation on Closure of Mines," International Bar Association Section on Energy and Resources Law, 13th Advanced Seminar on Petroleum, Minerals, Energy & Resources Law, presented in Capetown, South Africa (March 1998)

Program Chair, "International Resources Law: Today's Oil and Gas and Mining Project," and Panel Moderator, "Bribery as Encountered in Mineral Transactions," International Bar Association, Section on Energy and Resources Law and Rocky Mountain Mineral Law Foundation, sponsors, Denver, CO (February 1997)

"Coalbed Methane Ownership and Conflicts in the United States," International Bar Association Section on Energy and Resources Law, 12th Advanced Seminar on Petroleum, Minerals, Energy & Resources Law, presented in Prague, Czech Republic (March, 1996)

"Recent Legislative and Judicial Developments: The Changing Role of the Professional Landman," 41st Annual Rocky Mountain Law Foundation, Sun Valley, Idaho (July 20-22, 1995)

Program Co-Chair, "International Resources Law II: A Blueprint for Mineral Development," International Bar Association Section on Energy and Resources Law and Rocky Mountain Mineral Law Foundation, sponsors, Denver, Colorado (February 13-14, 1995)

Publications

Co-Author, "Public Purpose or Private Profit: Condemnation for Natural Resources Projects after Kelo v. New London," 53 Rocky Mtn. Min. L. Inst. 5-1 (2007)

Chapter Author, "The Impact of Cultural Resources Laws on the United States Mining Industry," Art and Cultural Heritage Law, Policy and Practice, Cambridge University Press (2006)

"Surface Access by the Remedy of Last Resort: Condemnation," Severed Minerals, Special Institute, Rocky Mountain Mineral Law Foundation, Denver, Colorado (February, 2005)

Chapter Author, "The United States, Mining: the regulation of exploration and extraction in 28 jurisdictions worldwide," Law Business Research, Ltd., London (2005)

Chapter Author, "Myth or Reality - Has environmental regulation destroyed the U.S. mining industry?" Compendium of World Mining Laws, Kluwer Law International (2004)

Editor, American Law of Mining, Rocky Mountain Mineral Law Foundation, (Chapters on Non-Coal Reclamation Laws and on Uranium Mining) (June 2003)

Column Reporter, "Federal-Mining," Mineral Law Newsletter, Rocky Mountain Mineral Law Foundation, Denver, Colorado (Quarterly, 1990-1999)

"How the U.S. Foreign Corrupt Practices Act applies to Canadian Companies," 36 Alberta Law Review 455 (1998)

"Resolving Conflicts Between Oil & Gas and Other Minerals," Land and Permitting II, Special Institute, Rocky Mountain Mineral Law Foundation, Denver, Colorado (January 25, 1996)

EDUCATION

University of Denver College of Law (J.D. 1982)

California Institute of the Arts (M.F.A. 1977)

University of Colorado (B.A. 1975)