

Case No.

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Application, Transcript,  
Small Exhibits, Etc.

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BEFORE THE OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION  
OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION  
OF G. B. SUPPES, D. D. THOMAS,  
CARPER DRILLING CO., INC., AND  
THE TEXAS TRADING CO., INC. FOR  
APPROVAL OF AN UNORTHODOX WELL  
SPACING PLAND AND PRORATION PLAN  
FOR A PART OF THE SQUARE LAKES  
FIELD, EDDY COUNTY, N.M.

TO THE OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION:

The petitioners hereby make application for approval of an unorthodox well spacing and proration plan to cover Sections 28, 33, and 34, T-16-S, R-34-E, Square Lakes Field Eddy County, New Mexico.

The petitioners present the following data:

- (1) That this application cover only Sections 28, 33, and 34 T-16-S, R-34-E, N.M.P.M., Eddy County on which are located presently producing oil wells as shown in black on the attached map.
- (2) That said sections are divided into 80 acre tracts, as shown on map, and all said tracts are under oil and gas leases that have been assigned to the petitioners.
- (3) That said 80 acre tracts are subject to the rules and regulations of the United States Geological Survey or the Department of Interior and that said Department makes no objection to this request as evidenced by the attached letter.
- (4) That the petitioners desire permission to drill wells as follows; (a) Primary locations, or the locations to be drilled first, to be located 330 feet from the West line and 1370 feet from the North line of each 80 acre tract and shown in red on the attached map, (b) Secondary locations, as shown in blue on the map, to be located 330 feet from the East line and 1270 feet from the North line of each 80 acre tract.
- (5) If one or all of the petitioners do not wish to drill on a primary location but desire to drill their first unorthodox well on the secondary location of the 80 acre tract then they shall notify the nearest offset owner of their intent, furnishing copies of such notice to both the U. S. Geological Survey and the Oil Conservation Commission, said offset owner then shall have 10 days from receipt of notice to protest to the request of the Oil Conservation Commission that a hearing be held. If the offset owner does not protest within that time then the petitioner shall have the right to drill on the secondary location without drilling the primary location first.

(6) That the petitioners desire to obtain approval to drill these additional wells on unorthodox locations on the said 80 acre tracts for the reason that said wells will more efficiently drain the area and tend to prevent underground waste.

(7) That the proration plan to cover Sections 28, 33, and 34 be based on 80 units in order to allow for the more efficient operation of the wells, that is, each 80 acres be given two (40 acre) allowables, and permit the operator to produce this allowable in the most efficient manner to prevent waste.

(8) That said 80 acre tracts shall, after one unorthodox well is completed, be considered as one producing unit and that said 80 acre tract shall not be redivided into 40 acre units so long as one or more unorthodox wells are producing.

(9) That nothing in this petition or order to be issued granting the requests of this petition will require any extra or additional wells to be drilled by the petitioners, this application and petition is merely to obtain the Oil Conservation Commissions approval to drill the wells as shown on the attached map at the option and convenience of the petitioners.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the petitioners have hereunto set their hands and seals this 30<sup>th</sup> day of January, 1948.

G. B. SUPPES

By, B. E. Kennedy  
B. E. Kennedy, Agent

D. D. THOMAS

By, D. D. Thomas

CARPER DRILLING CO. INC.

By, Emory Carper

TEXAS TRADING COMPANY INC.

By, Rush Dexton  
Secretary

# PROOF OF PUBLICATION

STATE OF NEW MEXICO }  
County of Eddy } ss.

... L. Bert

being duly sworn deposes and  
says that he is the Editor of THE ARTESIA ADVOCATE,  
a newspaper published in Artesia, Eddy County, New Mexico, that the notice of

Publication of Notice of Hearings for the Oil  
Conservation Commission of New Mexico,

a copy of which is hereto attached was first published in said newspaper  
in its issue dated September 4, 1947  
and was published in the weekly issue of said newspaper, and not in any  
supplement, thereafter for the full period of one consecutive  
weeks, the last publication thereof being in the issue dated  
September 4, 1947.

*A. L. Bert*

Subscribed and sworn to before me on September 5, 1947.

*Beatrice Schoonover*  
Notary Public

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MY COMMISSION EXPIRES FEB. 4, 1951

## NOTICE OF PUBLICATION STATE OF NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

The Oil Conservation Commission of New Mexico, pursuant to law hereby gives public notice of the following hearings to be had at a special meeting of the Commission to be held September 17, 1947, beginning at 10:00 A. M. on said date at Santa Fe, New Mexico:

STATE OF NEW MEXICO TO:  
All named parties in the following cases, and notice to the public:

Case No. 168

In the matter of the application of Leonard Oil Co., Roswell, New Mexico for an order approving an unorthodox location for the Leonard State No. 6 well in the NW $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 28, Township 17 South, Range 29 East, Eddy County, New Mexico, the allocation of production to said, described tract and unconditional approval of a C-110 for the well.

Case 116

In the matter of the application of Hardin-Huston, a partnership, Hobbs, New Mexico for a general order regulating tank cleaning, plants processing tank bottoms and recleaning of waste oil and transportation of tank bottoms and waste oil.

Given under the seal of the Oil Conservation Commission of New Mexico, at Santa Fe, New Mexico on August 29, 1947.

OIL CONSERVATION  
COMMISSION,

By: R. R. SPURRIER,  
Secretary

(SEAL)

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STATE OF NEW MEXICO  
OFFICE OF STATE GEOLOGIST  
SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

15 Sept. 1947

Mr. Oliver Seth, Jr.  
111 East San Francisco  
Santa Fe, New Mexico

Re: Case 109 - Petition of  
Leonard Oil Company

Dear Mr. Seth:

This is just a precautionary notice to remind you that the hearing for the above captioned case has been set for Sept. 17, 1947, beginning at 10:00 o'clock A.M., Coronado Room of the La Fonda Hotel.

Very truly yours,

GEORGE A. GRAHAM  
Attorney  
Oil Conservation Commission

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STATE OF NEW MEXICO  
OFFICE OF STATE GEOLOGIST  
SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

28 August 1947

The Artesia Advocate  
Artesia, New Mexico

RE: Cases 109, 110 - Notice of  
Publication.

Gentlemen:

Please publish the enclosed notice once, immediately. Please  
proof-read the notice carefully and send a copy of the paper  
carrying such notice.

UPON COMPLETION OF THE PUBLICATION, PLEASE SEND PUBLISHER'S  
AFFIDAVIT IN DUPLICATE.

For payment please submit statement in duplicate, accompanied  
by voucher executed in duplicate. The necessary blanks are  
enclosed.

Very truly yours,

GEORGE A. GRAHAM  
Attorney,  
Oil Conservation Commission

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STATE OF NEW MEXICO  
OFFICE OF STATE GEOLOGIST  
SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

29 August 1947

Mr. Emmitt D. White  
Leonard Oil Company  
Roswell, New Mexico

RE: Case 109 - Petition of  
Leonard Oil Company

Dear Mr. White:

This is to advise you that the hearing for the above captioned case has been set by the Commission for September 17, 1947, beginning at 10:00 o'clock A.M., at the La Fonda Hotel, Santa Fe, New Mexico.

Very truly yours,

GEORGE A. GRAHAM  
Attorney  
Oil Conservation Commission

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STATE OF NEW MEXICO  
OFFICE OF STATE GEOLOGIST  
SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

29 August 1947

The Santa Fe New Mexican  
Santa Fe, New Mexico

RE: Cases Nos. 101, 109 & 110.

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REPORT  
OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION  
OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO

IN THE MATTER OF A HEARING CALLED  
BY THE OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION  
OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO FOR THE  
PURPOSE OF CONSIDERING:

CASE NO. 109

ORDER NO. 758

THE APPLICATION OF LEONARD OIL  
COMPANY, ROSWELL, NEW MEXICO FOR  
AN ORDER APPROVING AN UNORTHODOX  
LOCATION FOR THE LEONARD STATE NO.  
6 WELL IN THE NW $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$  OF SECTION 28,  
TOWNSHIP 17 SOUTH, RANGE 29 EAST,  
N.M.P.M., EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO,  
THE ALLOCATION OF PRODUCTION TO  
SAID DESCRIBED TRACT AND UNCONDITIONAL  
APPROVAL OF A C-110 FOR THE WELL.

ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

BY THE COMMISSION:

This cause came on for hearing at 10:00 o'clock A. M.,  
September 17, 1947, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before the  
Oil Conservation Commission of New Mexico hereinafter  
referred to as the "Commission."

NOW, on this 9th day of April, 1948, the Commission having  
before it for consideration the testimony adduced at the hear-  
ing and being fully advised in the premises;

FINDS:

1. That due notice having been given to all interested parties as provided by law, the Commission has jurisdiction of this proceeding;
2. That Leonard Oil Company State No. 6 well was drilled in under authority of the State Land Office and State Geological Survey dated December 21, 1932, and prior to the enactment of Chapter 75, Laws of 1935, creating the Oil Conservation Commission, and was drilled as a test well at a depth of 1046 feet;
3. That Leonard Oil Company State No. 6 well was in fact irregularly spaced in that its actual location, as determined by a recent survey, differed from that actually given as the official location.
4. That said well, upon its application to the Oil Conservation Commission, was reported to 17.5 feet of oil in commercial quantities was found.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the location of Leonard Oil Company State No. 6 well be, and hereby is officially located as 1317 feet east of the east line and 1317 feet south of the north line of Section 23, Township 17 South, Range 29 East, N.M.P.M., and the records pertaining thereto are hereby corrected to conform hereto;

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the production from this unit be, and the same hereby is allocated to the NW[1/4] of said Section 23, but not in excess of the allowable fixed, or which may hereafter be fixed, for the Grayburg-Jackson Pool, wherein it is located.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Certificate of Compliance and Authorization to Transport Oil (C-110) for said well be, and the same hereby is approved as of the 28 day of April 1947.

DONE at Santa Fe, New Mexico, on the day and year hereinabove designated.

STATE OF NEW MEXICO  
OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

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Chairman

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MEMBER

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Secretary

OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONER  
OIL AND GAS DIVISION  
SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

The Oil Conservation Commission of New Mexico, pursuant to law, hereby gives public notice of the following hearings to be had at a special meeting of the Commission to be held September 17, 1947, beginning at 10:00 A.M. on said date at Santa Fe, New Mexico:

HEARINGS TO BE HELD:

All named parties in the following cases,  
and notice to the public:

Case 101

In the matter of the application of American Employers Insurance Company for an order directed to Frank Griggs, Lubbock, Texas, John Garden, Lubbock, Texas, and John H. Hawkins, Fort Sumner, New Mexico to show cause why a well located in the NW 1/4 of Section 11, Township 4 North, Range 26 East, DeSaca County, New Mexico should not be declared abandoned and ordered plugged.

Case No. 109

In the matter of the application of Leonard Oil Co., Roswell, New Mexico for an order approving an unorthodox location for the Leonard State No. 6 well in the NW 1/4 of Section 28, Township 17 South, Range 29 East, Eddy County, New Mexico, the allocation of production to said described tract and unconditional approval of a C-110 for the well.

Case 110

In the matter of the application of Gardin-Houston, a partnership, Hobbs, New Mexico for a general order regulating tank cleaning, plants processing tank bottoms and recleaning of waste oil and transportation of tank bottoms and waste oil.

Given under the seal of the Oil Conservation Commission of New Mexico, at Santa Fe, New Mexico on August 29 1947.

ATTEST:  
BY: *J. A. [Signature]*  
J. A. [Signature], Secretary

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OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

BY: *R. E. Spurnier*  
R. E. SPURNIER, Secretary

Roswell, New Mexico  
June 9, 1947

TO: The Oil Conservation Commission of the State of New Mexico

THE PETITIONER of Leonard Oil Company, a New Mexico Corporation with  
offices of Roswell, New Mexico.

THE PETITIONER NOW OFFICIALLY SUBMITS:

(a) That Leonard Oil Company is the owner of New Mexico Oil and Gas Lease  
No. 9-514, dated December 14, 1941, covering, in part, the following described  
lands:

N $\frac{1}{2}$ , E $\frac{1}{2}$  SW $\frac{1}{4}$ , SW $\frac{1}{4}$  SW $\frac{1}{4}$  Sec. 28, Twp. 17 South, Range 29 East,  
Eddy County, New Mexico,

and that said lease is in good standing.

(b) That permission to drill a gas well in the center of the NW $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section  
28, Twp. 17 South, Range 29 East, was requested of the New Mexico State Land  
Office, acting through its State Geologist; that approval to drill said well was  
granted December 26, 1931, which date was prior to the enactment of statutes  
creating the Oil Conservation Commission.

(c) That the well was drilled to a total depth of 2343 feet and that  
commercial production of gas was encountered, and that gas was produced and sold  
from the well until 1946, said well being known as Leonard Oil Company State Well No. 6.

(d) That on May 5, 1946, the location of this well was verified by a  
Registered Surveyor, and that the exact location was determined to be 1317 feet  
east of the west line and 1317 feet south of the north line of Section 28, Twp.  
17 South, Range 29 East.

(e) That on February 28, 1947, application to deepen the well to the oil  
producing horizon of the vicinity was made to the New Mexico Oil Conservation  
Commission and that said application was approved on March 5, 1947.

(f) That said well has been deepened to a total depth of 2705 feet and  
that oil in commercial quantities has been found.

(g) That the State of New Mexico owns the full 1/8 royalty interest under  
this lease and that Leonard Oil Company owns the full 7/8 working interest, and  
that there are no other interests involved in the lease; and that the well is  
located 1317 feet from the nearest boundary of the said lease.

WHEREFORE YOUR PETITIONER PRAYS that the New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission  
approve this location and that the production from this unit be allocated to the  
NW $\frac{1}{4}$  NE $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 28, to be produced from Leonard Oil Company's State Well No. 6;  
and that the Commission exercise "Diligence of Exploration and Production to  
Develop Oil".

YOUR PETITIONER FURTHER PRAYS that in the event the Commission deems it necessary  
to hold a public hearing on this case, then Leonard Oil Company petitions that the  
hearing be set at the earliest date convenient for the Commission.

Respectfully submitted,

ATTEST:

*Emmanuel A. White*  
Secretary

*Henry Leonard*  
Petitioner