Special Award

Nomination Form

Please attach this form to your one-page nomination for a Special Award. This award will be presented to the member(s) or group(s) who/which has made an extraordinary contribution to AAPL, the land profession, the industry, or the community. May include but is not limited to:

* **Education –** may be presented to a member who has achieved a level of unusual distinction in AAPL’s continuing education program as demonstrated by his/her contribution of time and service to the betterment of land professionals.

NAME OF NOMINEE: **Amanda L. Van Deusen** LOCAL ASSOCIATION AFFILIATION: **Houston Association of Professional Landmen**

NOMINATED BY: Houston Association of Professional Landmen

**AAPL 2020 Special Award - Education**

**Amanda L. Van Deusen, CPL, JD**

Amanda L. Van Deusen, CPL, JD graduated with a Bachelor of Arts from Austin College and earned her Juris Doctorate from the University of Houston. She is currently a title analyst in the energy group of Jackson Walker’s Houston office with 15 years’ experience as a Landman in acquisition due diligence and energy finance projects with upstream and midstream asset evaluation. Amanda’s work focuses on title examination, reserve evaluation in energy finance transactions, contract analysis and document preparation for clients across the energy industry. Amanda is also experienced in evaluation and management of bankruptcy assets, renewable energy and water projects, and multi-county foreclosures. Prior to joining Jackson Walker, Amanda worked as a Professional Landman at an international corporate law firm, and in-house as a Senior Landman for various energy and land management companies.

Amanda has served as Chairman of the annual Houston Association of Professional Landman (“HAPL”) Technical Workshop since 2015. The HAPL Technical Workshop was the first seminar of its kind to be broadcast by Cisco WebEx Webinar across the country. Its cutting-edge delivery of quality topics and speakers to members by webinar, at any location and in any industry, makes it one of the finest education events of the year. As a result, the HAPL Technical Workshop has been incredibly successful in recent years, breaking records in overall attendance and number of remote locations across the country.

For the past 10+ years, the HAPL Technical Workshop had been hosted by Haynes and Boone, LLP in their Houston office offering seven Continuing Education Credits with one ethics credit for the landman RPL/CPL certifications, as well as CLE accreditation in Texas, Colorado and Oklahoma. The course price of $60 for HAPL members and $75 for non-members is the lowest cost per CE credit of any educational event in our industry. In 2020, the 51st Annual Technical Workshop was held virtually and hosted by Jackson Walker LLP and although held virtually allowed attendees to receive the same CE, ethic, and CLE credits as when hosted in person.

As Chairman in 2020, Amanda, along with the extraordinary year-long efforts of the Technical Workshop Committee, HAPL Staff and Sponsors, broadcast the HAPL Technical Workshop to a record-breaking:

* **325** different regional landman groups with **125** oil and gas companies in;
* **11** states and **42** cities nationwide and in Canada.

Proceeds from the Workshop support HAPL’s educational and philanthropic events.

Amanda and her husband, Paul Van Deusen, have two adorable boys, Jay and Justin.