

Landman of the Year Award

(Calendar Year 2024)

Please attach this form to your one-page nomination for AAPL Landman of the Year summarizing: **1) Demonstrated Leadership; 2) Integrity; 3) Contribution to Profession; 4) Contribution to Industry and; 5) Contribution to Community.** Current Executive Committee members may not be submitted, and self-nominations will not be considered. Photograph (or negative) of the nominee should be attached to the entry.

NAME OF NOMINEE: _____

LOCAL ASSOCIATION AFFILIATION: _____

NOMINATED BY: _____

Landman of the Year

Brian K. Tolson, CPL, a 2007 graduate of Texas Tech University's Rawls College of Business, began his career as a Landman in 2011. Initially working in real estate, it wasn't long before he began his career as a Landman. In 2018, after working in many of the major basins across the U.S., Mr. Tolson joined Equitas Energy Partners, LLC, a land services company, where he became a partner in 2020. Since 2011, Mr. Tolson has worked diligently for the benefit of his clients and has gone out of his way to foster the education and growth of young Landmen.



In addition to his work with Equitas Energy Partners, LLC, Mr. Tolson has been heavily involved with the Dallas Association of Petroleum Landmen, the Fort Worth Association of Professional Landmen and the Permian Basin Landmen's Association over the years. Mr. Tolson has also served on the Dallas Association of Petroleum Landmen Board of Directors as Secretary, President, and AAPL Director. Since 2012, he has been a member and vocal supporter of the American Association of Professional Landmen. From 2023 until 2024, Mr. Tolson served on the Executive Committee as Secretary and had the privilege of working and leading several additional AAPL committees. During his time as Secretary for the Executive Committee, he was responsible for writing an article discussing the need for companies to invest in their teams both at and outside of work titled, *Lessons From The Duke: Build an all-star team through personal development, accountability and mentorship*.

Mr. Tolson can typically be found spending time at his home with his wife and children, when he is not busy at the office. When time allows, that is if he is not coaching, attending practice or one of his kids' games, he can typically be found on his back porch grilling and relaxing with his family.

Mr. Tolson's continued dedication, integrity and work ethic have been indispensable to not only his clients but also the oil and gas industry as a whole. The exacting standards that he requires of himself permeate not only his work with Equitas Energy Partners, LLC, but also his extensive responsibilities with the organizations he is a part of and his family.