Oilfield Economics

Independent mineral & royalty valuations

A **neutral, engineering-based** value of oil and gas mineral and royalty interests, one that holds up for the IRS, a court, or a client.

Kevin Jones is a petroleum engineer who values mineral and royalty interests the same way an acquirer does when underwriting a purchase. There is no market price for minerals, the income declines on a curve, and much of the value often sits in wells not yet drilled. A round number or an unsolicited buyer's offer will not survive scrutiny. A documented, data-driven valuation will.

Where I help

- **Estate & date-of-death value.** Fair market value that sets the heirs' stepped-up basis.
- **Probate.** Supportable values for probate inventories and accountings.
- **Divorce.** A neutral figure both sides can work from in equitable distribution.
- **Gift & charitable.** Values to support the position claimed on a return.

What you receive

- **A written report** with the value and the reasoning in plain language.
- **Documented methodology** built in ComboCurve, the industry-standard platform.
- **Support if questioned** by an examiner, opposing counsel, or the parties.
- **A clear timeline**, most single interests in a few business days.

Why independent matters

> I do not buy minerals, and my fee is for the evaluation itself, never tied to a transaction. The number reflects the asset, not an interest in the outcome. For a matter that may end up in front of the IRS or a court, that independence is the point.

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