

# Texas Title Examination Standards

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## Where do I find the Texas Title Examination Standards?

- A copy of the Texas Standards can be found as an appendix in the Texas Property Code.
  - **Not law**
- Available online:
  - Oil, Gas & Energy Resources Law Section ([oilgas.org](http://oilgas.org))
  - Real Estate, Probate and Trust Law Section ([reptl.org](http://reptl.org))

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## Who is responsible for putting the Standards together?

- The Texas Title Examination Standards are the result of a joint project by two sections of the State Bar
  - Real Estate, Probate and Trust Law Section
  - Oil, Gas and Energy Law Section
- In 1989, the Real Estate, Probate and Trust Law Section approved the formation of a committee

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## Who is responsible for putting the Standards together? (cont.)

- In 1994, a dozen real estate lawyers and oil and gas lawyers started meeting quarterly
- The then-Oil, Gas and Mineral Law Section agreed to co-sponsor the project
- The Texas Title Standards Joint Editorial Board was formalized – 12 board members
  - 8 from REPTL and 4 from OGERL

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