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## Devon v. Sheppard:

Is Royalty Owed on Gross Proceeds or  
Gross Proceeds Plus?



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CAUSE NO. 12-12-22,501

MICHAEL A. SHEPPARD, CONSTANCE S. KIRK, JENNIFER S. BADGER, FRANK B. SHEPPARD, JAMES K. CRAIN, CHRISTOPHER M. CRAIN, JAMES K. CRAIN, III, PATRICK G. CRAIN AND SHIRLEY R. CRAIN,

Plaintiffs

v.

GEOSOUTHERN DEWITT PROPERTIES, LLC, PETROHAWK PROPERTIES LP, GEOSOUTHERN ENERGY CORPORATION, AND PETROHAWK ENERGY CORPORATION,

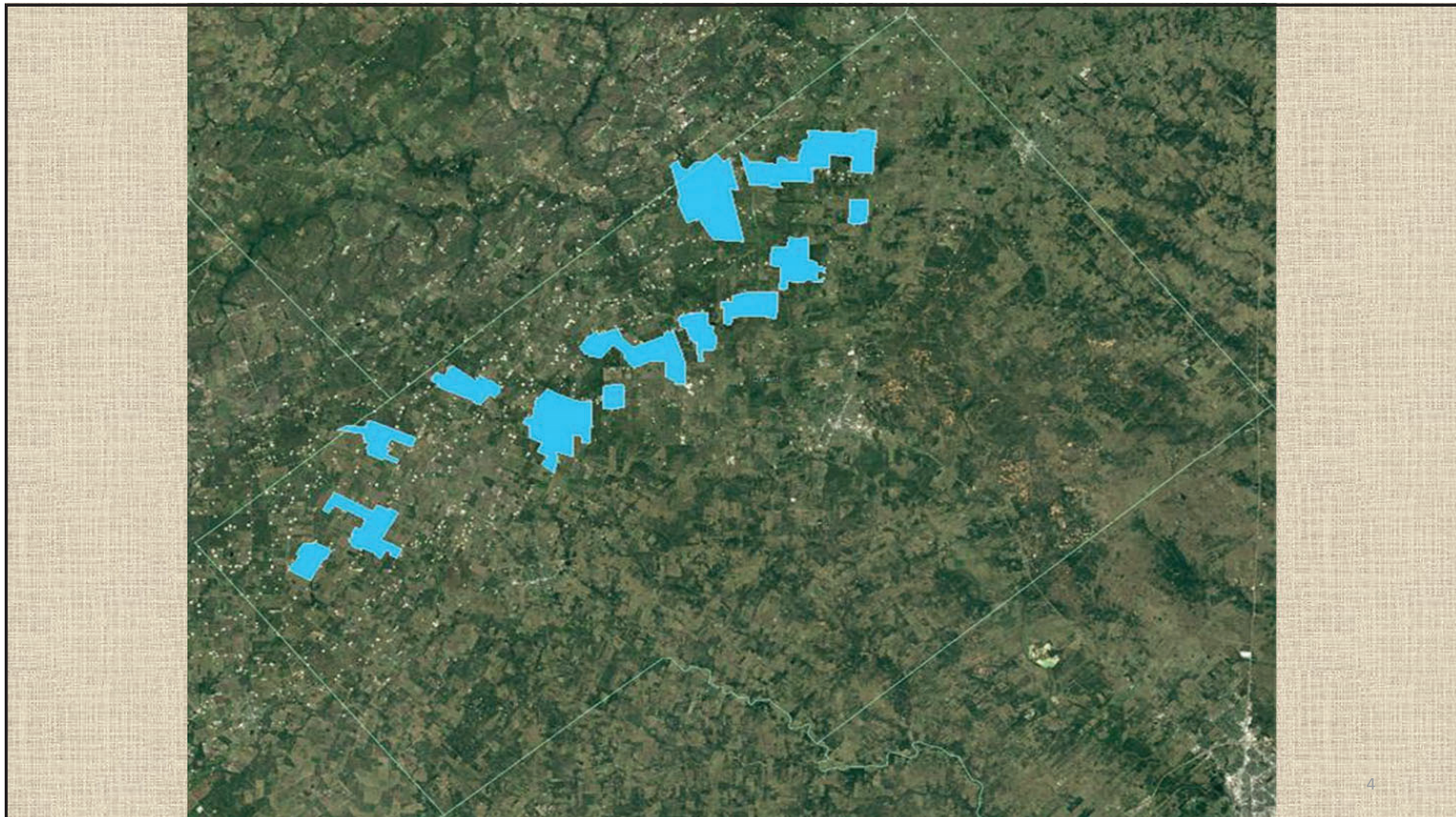
Defendants

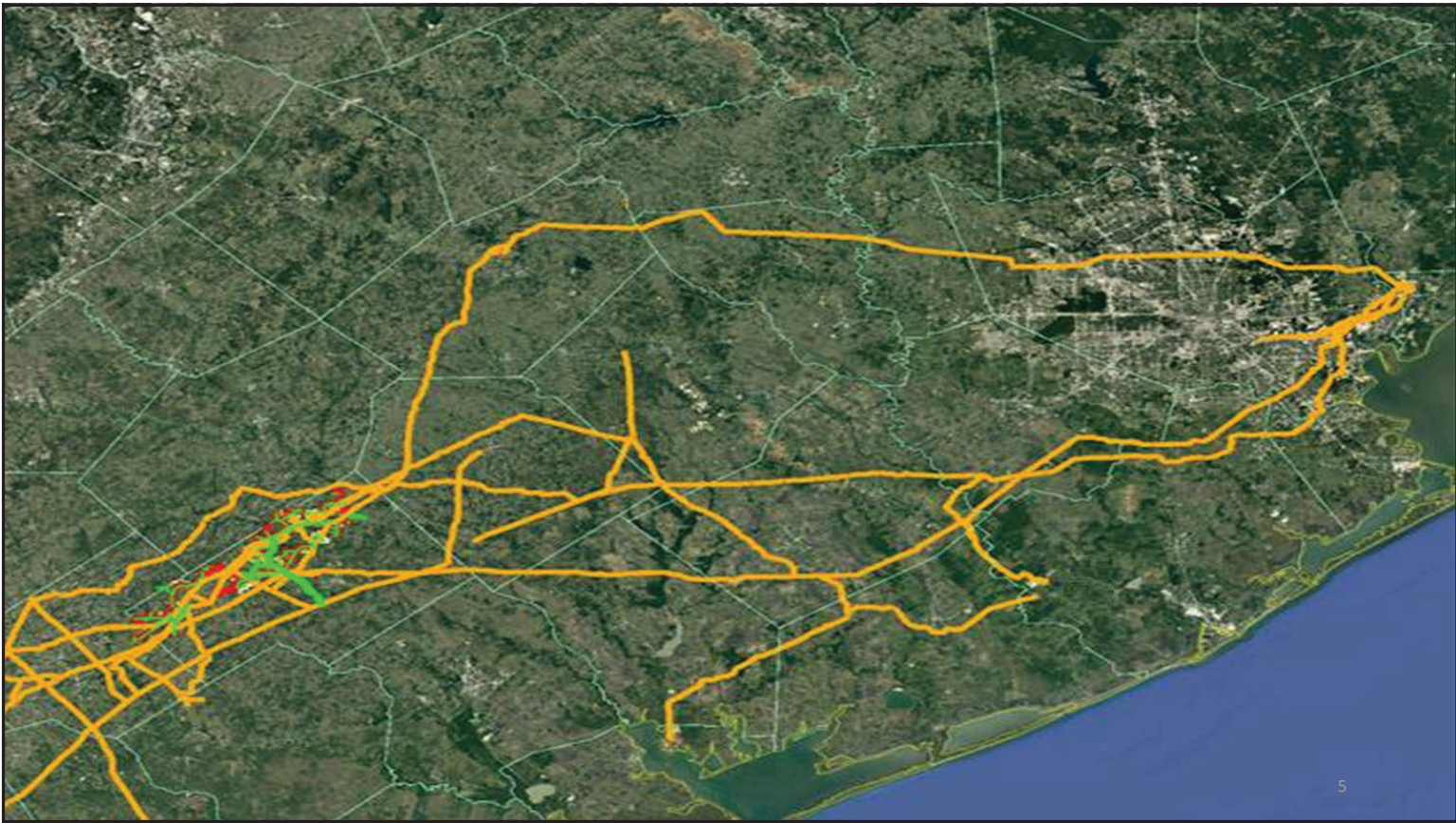
IN THE DISTRICT COURT

OF DEWITT COUNTY, TEXAS

24th JUDICIAL DISTRICT

PLAINTIFFS' ORIGINAL PETITION





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## Case Background

1. Dispute Centers Around Unique Language in O&G Lease
2. Add To Gross Proceeds Language - If Ds' dispositions, contracts, or sales include reduction or charge → add reduction/charge to GP before calculating Ps' Royalty

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