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Texas Lawyer Announces its 2016 Women in Energy Honorees

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This story has been updated to add Christine B. LaFollette to the list.

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These outstanding women will be recognized in the December issue of Texas Lawyer magazine. An event will also be held in their honor Dec. 5 at the Magnolia Hotel in Houston to recognize their achievements in this practice area.

Congratulations to the women below.

Roxanne T. Almaraz, partner, Bracewell, Houston

Marcia E. Backus, vice president and general counsel, Occidental Petroleum Co., Houston

Amy L. Baird, partner, Jackson Walker, Houston

Dana O'Brien, general counsel and Carol Helliker, senior vice president, deputy general counsel and chief ethics and compliance officer, Centertpoint Energy, Houston

Jamie Bryan, shareholder, Winstead, Fort Worth

Carol M. Burke, partner, Reed Smith, Houston

Laura Burney, research professor of law, St. Mary's University School of Law, San Antonio

Chrysta Castañeda, partner, The Castañeda Firm, Dallas

Trina H. Chandler, partner, Vinson & Elkins, Houston

Brandy Copley, managing director and counsel, GE Energy Financial Services, Houston

Jolisa Melton Dobbs, partner, Thompson & Knight, Dallas

Vera de Gyarfas, partner, King & Spalding, Houston

Peggy A. Heeg, partner, Norton Rose Fulbright, Houston

Catherine Callaway James, executive vice president, general counsel and chief compliance officer, Dynegy, Houston

Eleanor "Cacki" Chote Jewart, partner, Husch Blackwell, Austin

Christine B. LaFollette, partner, Akin Gump Strauss Hauer & Feld, Houston

JoAnn Lee, assistant general counsel, Exxon Mobil, Houston

Diana Liebmann, partner, Haynes and Boone, San Antonio

Courtney S. Marcus, partner, Weil, Gotshal & Manges, Dallas

Brooke Geren McNabb, partner, Baker Botts, Houston



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Katy Pier Moore, partner, Santoyo Moore Wehmeyer, San Antonio

Amanda L. Mussalli, partner, The Mussalli Law Firm, The Woodlands

Jayme Partridge, partner, Patterson + Sheridan, Houston

Lara D. Pringle, partner, Jones Walker, Houston

Susan Richardson, partner (retired), Cotton Bledsoe Tighe & Dawson, Midland

Laura Robertson, deputy general counsel, ConocoPhillips, Houston

Anna G. Rotman, partner, Kirkland & Ellis, Houston

Robin Russell, partner, Andrews Kurth, Houston

Jamey Seely, executive vice president, general counsel and corporate secretary, ION Geophysical Corp., Houston

N. Susan Stone, partner, Baker & McKenzie, Houston