

EXHIBIT

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**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR
THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF OKLAHOMA**

David A. Chastain, on behalf of himself and all
others similarly situated,

Plaintiff,

v.

Lime Rock Resources Operating Company,
Inc., Lime Rock Resources IV-A, L.P., LRR IV
Operating, Inc., Lime Rock Resources III-A
L.P., and LRR III Operating, Inc.,

Defendants.

Case No. 6:26-cv-00167-DES

**DECLARATION OF JENNIFER M. KEOUGH ON BEHALF OF
SETTLEMENT ADMINISTRATOR, JND LEGAL ADMINISTRATION LLC,
REGARDING NOTICE MAILING AND ADMINISTRATION OF SETTLEMENT**

I, JENNIFER M. KEOUGH, declare and state as follows:

1. I am the Chief Executive Officer and President of JND Legal Administration (“JND”).¹ This Declaration is based on my personal knowledge, as well as information provided to me by experienced JND employees. If called upon to do so, I could and would testify competently thereto.

2. JND is a legal administration services provider with its headquarters located in Seattle, Washington. JND has extensive experience in all aspects of legal administration and has administered settlements in hundreds of cases. As CEO of JND, I am involved in all facets of our Company’s operation. Among my responsibilities is to monitor the implementation of our notice

¹ Capitalized terms used and otherwise not defined in this Declaration shall have the meanings given to such terms in the Settlement Agreement or Preliminary Approval Order.

and claim administration programs. I have more than 20 years of legal experience designing and supervising such programs.

3. JND is serving as the Settlement Administrator in the above-captioned litigation (the “Action”) pursuant to the Court’s Preliminary Approval Order dated June 10, 2026.

CLASS MEMBER DATA

4. On June 22, 2026, JND received a spreadsheet containing a total of 5,160 line items representing the names, mailing addresses, and other identifying owner information. JND promptly loaded the potential Class Members data into a database established for this administration.

5. Prior to effecting notice, JND certified the mailing data via the Coding Accuracy Support System (“CASS”) in order to ensure the consistency of the contact information in the database and then verified the mailing addresses through the National Change of Address (“NCOA”) database², identifying updated addresses for 278 records. Of the 5,160 potential Class Member records, a mailing address could not be located for 299 records, leaving a total of 4,861 unique potential Class Members with a mailing address (“Initial Class Mailing List”).

NOTICE MAILING

6. On July 10, 2026, JND caused the mailed Notice of Settlement to be mailed via USPS first-class mail to the 4,861 potential Class Members in the Initial Class Mailing List. A representative sample of the mailed Notice of Settlement is attached hereto as **Exhibit A**.

² The NCOA database is the official United States Postal Service (“USPS”) technology product which makes changes of address information available to mailers to help reduce undeliverable mail pieces before mail enters the mail stream. This product is an effective tool to update address changes when a person has completed a change of address form with the USPS. The address information is maintained on the database for 48 months.

7. In the event any potential Class Member's notice is returned as undeliverable, JND uses all reasonable secondary efforts to deliver the notice to the Class Member. This includes re-mailing any notices returned as undeliverable with a forwarding address and conducting an advanced address search using TransUnion's TLO search, where such a search had not already been conducted, for any notices returned undeliverable without a forwarding address in an attempt to locate an updated address. JND will re-mail the notice to anyone for whom JND is able to obtain an updated address.

8. As of the date of this Declaration, JND has tracked 442 notices that have been returned to JND as undeliverable at the address provided. JND re-mailed 8 notices to a forwarding address provided by USPS. For the remaining undeliverable notices, JND conducted advanced address research through TransUnion's TLO service, which located updated addresses for 80 Class Members. JND duly re-mailed the Notice of Settlement to those potential Class members for whom a new address was obtained. Of the notices forwarded or remailed in this manner, twelve (12) were returned as undeliverable, of which one (1) was returned with an updated address provided by USPS and was promptly remailed.

SUMMARY NOTICE

9. JND caused the summary Notice of Settlement to be published on July 16, 2026, in *The Oklahoman* and *Tulsa World*. Digital copies of the Notice of Settlement as seen in these publications are attached hereto as **Exhibit B**.

SETTLEMENT WEBSITE

10. On July 10, 2026, JND established a dedicated website (www.chastain-limerock.com), which hosts copies of important case documents, including the Class Action Complaint, the Stipulation and Settlement Agreement, the Preliminary Approval Order, and the Notice of Settlement, and provides answers to frequently asked questions, as well

as contact information for the Settlement Administrator. A copy of the Long Form Notice available on the website is attached hereto as **Exhibit C**.

11. As of the date of this Declaration, the website has tracked 195 unique users with 555 pageviews. JND will continue to update and maintain the website throughout the administration process and final approval process.

TOLL-FREE INFORMATION LINE

12. On July 10, 2026, JND established a case-specific toll-free telephone number (1-855-943-0370) with an interactive voice recording (IVR) that Class Members can use to obtain more information about the Settlement.

13. As of the date of this Declaration, the toll-free number has received 25 calls.

REQUESTS FOR EXCLUSION

14. The Notice of Settlement directs that Class Members who wish to opt out of the Settlement Class could do so by mailing a valid Request for Exclusion to the Settlement Administrator, so that it is received on or before August 26, 2026.

15. As of the date of this Declaration, JND has not received any Requests for Exclusion from Class Members.

OBJECTIONS

16. The Notice of Settlement directs that Class Members who would like to object to the Settlement may do so by filing an objection with the Court on or before August 20, 2026.

17. As of the date of this Declaration, JND has not received and is not aware of any objections.

SETTLEMENT ADMINISTRATION COSTS

18. As of July 31, 2026, JND had incurred \$31,732.22 in administration fees and costs. JND currently estimates the total cost of bringing the administration of the Settlement to completion will not exceed \$175,000.00.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed on August 13, 2026, at Seattle, Washington.

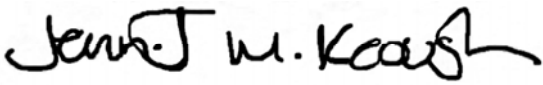
BY: 
JENNIFER M. KEOUGH

Exhibit A

*A court authorized this notice.
This is **not** a solicitation from a lawyer.*

**If You Are or Were an Owner Paid
by Lime Rock for Oil-and-Gas
Production Proceeds from an
Oklahoma Oil-and-Gas Well, You
Could Be a Part of a Proposed
Class Action Settlement**

There is a proposed Settlement in a putative class action lawsuit filed against Lime Rock Resources Operating Company, Inc., Lime Rock Resources IV-A, L.P., LRR IV Operating, Inc. Lime Rock Resources III-A, L.P., and LRR III Operating, Inc. (collectively, "Defendants") called *David A. Chastain v. Lime Rock Resources Operating Company, Inc., et al.*, Case No. 26-CV-00167-DES, in the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Oklahoma. The Lawsuit claims Defendants failed to pay statutory interest on payments made outside the time periods of the Production Revenue Standards Act ("PRSA") for oil-and-gas production proceeds from wells in Oklahoma.

Chastain v Lime Rock Settlement
c/o JND Legal Administration
PO Box 91244
Seattle, WA 98111

ID:



Who is included? You may be a member of the Settlement Class if you received late payments or if your proceeds were remitted to unclaimed property by Defendants during the Claim Period (February 25, 2020, through January 25, 2026) for wells in Oklahoma. The Settlement Class has been preliminarily approved for settlement only. There are exclusions.

Why am I receiving this notice? Defendants' records indicate you may be a member of the Settlement Class.

What does the settlement provide? The proposed Settlement provides monetary benefits of \$3,340,000.00 to be provided according to the terms of the Settlement Agreement, the documents referenced in and exhibits to the Settlement Agreement, and orders from the Court. Plaintiff's Counsel will seek attorneys' fees up to 40%, reimbursement of litigation expenses and administration, notice, and distribution costs of up to \$350,000, all to be paid from the Settlement Fund. Plaintiff will also seek a Case Contribution Award not to exceed 2%.

What are my legal rights? You do not have to do anything to stay in the Settlement Class and receive the benefits of the proposed Settlement. If you stay in the

Settlement Class, you may also object to the proposed Settlement by following the instructions from the Court (available on the website) by **August 20, 2026**. If you stay in the Settlement Class, you will be bound by all orders and judgments of the Court, and you will not be able to sue Defendants or others identified in the Settlement Agreement for the claims described therein. You may appear through an attorney if so desired.

What are my other options? If you do not wish to participate in or be legally bound by the proposed Settlement, you may exclude yourself by opting out no later than **August 26, 2026**, by following the instructions from the Court (available on the website). If you opt out, you will not receive any benefits from the Settlement and will not be bound by it or the judgment in this case.

When will the Court decide whether to approve the proposed Settlement? A Final Fairness Hearing has been scheduled for September 10, 2026, at 10:00 a.m. CT at the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Oklahoma, 101 North 5th Street, Muskogee, OK 74401. You are not required to attend the hearing, but you or your lawyer may do so if you wish.

THIS IS ONLY A SUMMARY. TO GET A COPY OF THE LONG-FORM NOTICE OR FOR MORE INFORMATION, VISIT WWW.CHASTAIN-LIMEROCK.COM OR CALL TOLL-FREE 1-855-943-0370.

Exhibit B

Time change

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of the schoolchildren and their concerns about them getting to buses in the dark, they had no support for it or against it, so they stayed neutral on the particular issue,” Blubaugh said.

Michael Kelsey said he was once one of those kids.

“Rural Oklahoma bus route was a challenge for me because I was one of

those that lived pretty far out and I was first on, last off, and so that meant I was getting on the bus when it was dark,” he said. Kelsey serves as the executive vice president for the Oklahoma Cattlemen’s Association, a membership-based organization that advocates for the cattle industry and those that raise cattle.

He said the organization took no position on the issue because it was a “sun up to sun down” issue that is not heavily affected by the time change. However, members acknowledged that extended daylight in the evenings would be help-

ful for those that work 9-to-5 jobs.

Monte Tucker, a fourth generation rancher and cattle owner from Sweetwater, Oklahoma, believes he won’t be affected as much as he’s a full time rancher, but sees the benefits of having an additional hour of daylight in the winter for those who have a second job during the day. Tucker said that the industry that is mostly affected by the time change is dairy farms.

“We’ve lost a lot of our small family dairies,” Tucker said. “They were affected more than anybody because of the

time they got up to milk their cows and sadly a lot of our rural communities have lost those small dairy herds. It’s just the way it is.”

Kelsey called the daylight saving bill complicated.

“I’ve got a son who lives in Tennessee and he’s in central time zone. The sun comes up a lot earlier there in terms of the clock and sets a lot earlier, even under the time switch,” Kelsey said. “It’s just something that’s bigger than Oklahoma, but it just makes this issue interesting and perhaps complicated.”

Audit report

Continued from Page 4A

with the board, which failed to exercise oversight of town finances as required by law,” she said in a news release.

Noel was the primary supervisor of Washington’s financial operations along with Paul Aday, the town administrator.

The town employed a staff of four people: Kasey Leshner, Noel’s daughter and the utility billing clerk; T.R. Leshner, Noel’s son-in-law and water operator and maintenance worker; and two police officers, Rubin Ruiz, Jr. and Larry Watts.

The audit found that Noel and Aday were the sole signatories on the town’s bank accounts from April 2008 through July 18, 2024, the day Noel was fired. Aday was fired Sept. 24, 2024. T.R. and Kasey Leshner resigned from their positions on May 14, 2026.

In a statement, Mayor Joel Siria, Town Administrator Brandon Wansick and trustees James Andrews and Tony Brennan said many of the corrective actions identified in the report have already been implemented prior to its release, and additional improvements will be made.

“We understand the impact this situation has had on our community,” they said. “As public servants and residents of this town, we share in the frustration and disappointment. The misuse of public funds is unacceptable, and we take this matter personally.”

According to the new audit, Noel used at least 19 vendors and financial

platforms to misappropriate town funds. She spent more than \$267,000 on Bank of America credit card accounts belonging to herself and her spouse.

The audit also found:

- The former town clerk spent more than \$190,000 through unauthorized PayPal transactions which were processed through accounts associated with herself.
- She purchased personal items and services through Venmo, Amazon, debit card purchases and Home Depot using town funds, including a puppy, a sofa and a vacuum cleaner.
- She appropriated more than \$125,000 of town funds to pay off her personal credit cards, including a \$21,300 payment to Marcus by Goldman Sachs.

Noel was also responsible for processing payroll and signing checks. Between July 2020 and June 2024, more than \$40,000 in authorized payments were made from the general fund to employees, the audit found.

The payments were made by check directly to employees, processed outside of the payroll system and not reported for payroll tax withholding purposes or were not included on employee W-2 forms.

An additional \$30,000 in unauthorized payments were made to employees from the Cemetery Capitol Improvement Fund and the Cemetery Association bank accounts. Another \$7,800 was spent through unauthorized payments through checks to four employees that resembled their normal payroll amounts in September and October 2022.

In December 2023, duplicate payroll

payments, totaling \$9,194, were made to all employees and were not reversed nor recovered from employees.

All of the payments were reportedly made by check directly to employees, processed outside of the payroll system and not reported for payroll tax withholding purposes or were not included on employee W-2 forms.

Between July 2020 and June 2024, employees received \$10,500 in unauthorized Christmas bonuses.

The audit also identified numerous town checks containing Aday’s signatures that were inconsistent with his known signature.

Nearly \$30,000 in supplemental insurance premiums were also paid without approval from the town board of trustees.

From 2012 through 2019, Noel failed to submit payroll tax withholdings to the IRS, resulting in unpaid taxes, interest and penalties totaling \$176,887, according to the report.

In February 2020, the audit said Noel reached an agreement with 20/20 Tax Resolution Inc. to stop collections and establish a preliminary payment arrangement without board approval. This resulted in unauthorized payments totaling \$210,400, none of which went toward the amount owed to the IRS.

Noel also made two payments from the general fund to the IRS, totaling \$6,800, to reduce her personal tax liability, the report found.

Through January 2020 and July 2024, town employees made fuel purchases totaling \$54,770 using the town’s fleet fuel card. Washington did not require mileage logs, trip records or other documentation to support the

purchases.

The report also found that utility cash collections were not fully deposited from July 2020 to June 2025, resulting in more than \$72,000 being misappropriated.

According to the audit, the Washington cemetery was originally owned and operated by the Washington Cemetery Association, a private association. The cemetery remained under private ownership even after the association’s leadership died or became unable to fulfill its responsibilities.

This meant town employees voluntarily performed cemetery maintenance. Eventually, employees performed cemetery work during work hours and received compensation for those services. But because Washington did not own the cemetery, the funds were unauthorized.

The report also said town employees failed to maintain cemetery deed records in a reliable manner. For example, 43 of the 64 deeds were missing the mayor’s signature.

The 64 deeds represented \$74,800 in cemetery lot sales.

The report found only \$52,600 of the transactions could be traced to bank deposits.

The audit determined the losses suffered by the town are the responsibility of the former employees, but also blames the board for failing to provide the oversight needed to protect public funds.

“In a small town, the lack of limited staff can make it difficult to separate financial duties,” the report reads. “That makes strong board oversight even more important.”

LEGAL NOTICE

If You Are or Were an Owner Paid by Lime Rock for Production Proceeds from an Oklahoma Well, You Could Be a Part of a Proposed Class Action Settlement

The Settlement Class includes, subject to certain excluded persons or entities as detailed in the Settlement Agreement:

All non-excluded persons or entities who: (1) received late payments under the PRSA from Defendants (or Defendants’ designee) for oil and gas proceeds from Oklahoma wells, or whose proceeds from Oklahoma wells were sent as unclaimed property to a government entity by Defendants; and (2) whose proceeds did not include the statutory interest required by the PRSA.

Excluded from the Settlement Class are: (1) Defendants, their affiliates, predecessors, and employees, officers, and directors; (2) agencies, departments, or instrumentalities of the United States of America or the State of Oklahoma; (3) any Indian Tribe as defined at 30 U.S.C. § 1702(4) or Indian allottee as defined at 30 U.S.C. § 1702(2); and (4) persons or entities that Plaintiff’s Counsel may be prohibited from representing under Rule 1.7 of the Oklahoma Rules of Professional Conduct.

The Claim Period means checks or payments by Lime Rock dated between February 25, 2020, through January 25, 2026, subject to the terms of the Settlement Agreement regarding Released Claims. The Litigation seeks damages for Defendants’ alleged failure to pay statutory interest on allegedly late payments under Oklahoma law. Defendants expressly deny all allegations of wrongdoing or liability with respect to the claims and allegations in the Litigation. The Court did not decide which side is right. “Defendants” means Lime Rock Resources Operating Company, Inc., Lime Rock Resources IV-A, L.P., and LRR IV Operating, Inc., Lime Rock Resources III-A, L.P., and LRR III Operating, Inc.

On June 10, 2026, the Court preliminarily approved a Settlement in which Defendants agreed to pay Three Million Three Hundred Forty Thousand Dollars (\$3,340,000.00) in cash into the Settlement Fund. From the Settlement Fund, the Court may deduct Plaintiff’s Attorneys’ Fees, Litigation Expenses, any Case Contribution Award, and Administration, Notice, and Distribution Costs. The remainder of the Settlement Fund (the “Net Settlement Fund”) will be distributed to participating Settlement Class Members as provided in the Settlement Agreement. Complete information on the benefits of the Settlement, including information on distribution of the Net Settlement Fund, can be found in the Settlement Agreement posted on the website listed below.

The attorney who represents the Class as Class Counsel is Randy C. Smith of Randy C. Smith, PLLC. You may hire your own attorney, if you wish. However, you will be responsible for that attorney’s fees and expenses.

What Are My Legal Rights?

- **Do Nothing, Stay in the Class, and Receive Benefits of the Settlement:** If the Court approves the proposed Settlement, you or your successors, if eligible, will receive the benefits of the proposed Settlement. You will also be bound by all orders and judgments of the Court, and you will not be able to sue, or continue to sue, Defendants or others identified in the Settlement Agreement for the Released Claims described in that Agreement.
- **Stay in the Settlement Class, But Object to All or Part of the Settlement:** You can file and serve a written objection to the Settlement and appear before the Court. Your written objection must contain the information described in the Notice of Settlement found at the website listed below and must be filed with the Court and served on Plaintiff’s Counsel and Defendants’ Counsel **no later than August 20, 2026, at 5:00 p.m. CT.**
- **Exclude Yourself from the Settlement Class:** To exclude yourself from the Settlement Class, you must serve by certified mail a written statement to the Settlement Administrator. Your Request for Exclusion must contain the information described in the Notice of Settlement found at the website listed below and must be received **no later than August 26, 2026, at 5:00 p.m. CT.** You cannot exclude yourself on the website, by telephone, or by e-mail.

The Court will hold a Final Fairness Hearing on September 10, 2026, at 10:00 a.m. CT at the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Oklahoma. At the Hearing, the Court will consider whether the proposed Settlement is fair, reasonable, and adequate. The Court will also consider the application for Plaintiff’s Attorneys’ Fees and Litigation Expenses and other costs, including the Case Contribution Award. If comments or objections have been submitted in the manner required, the Court will consider them as well. Please note that the date of the Final Fairness Hearing is subject to change without further notice. If you plan to attend the Hearing, you should check with the Court and www.chastain-limerock.com to confirm no change to the date and time of the Hearing has been made.

This notice provides only a summary. For more detailed information regarding the rights and obligations of Settlement Class Members, read the Notice of Settlement, Settlement Agreement, and other documents posted on the website, or contact the Settlement Administrator.

Visit: www.chastain-limerock.com

Call Toll-Free: 1-855-943-0370

Or write to: Chastain v. Lime Rock Settlement c/o JND Legal Administration, Settlement Administrator P.O. Box 91244 Seattle, WA 98111

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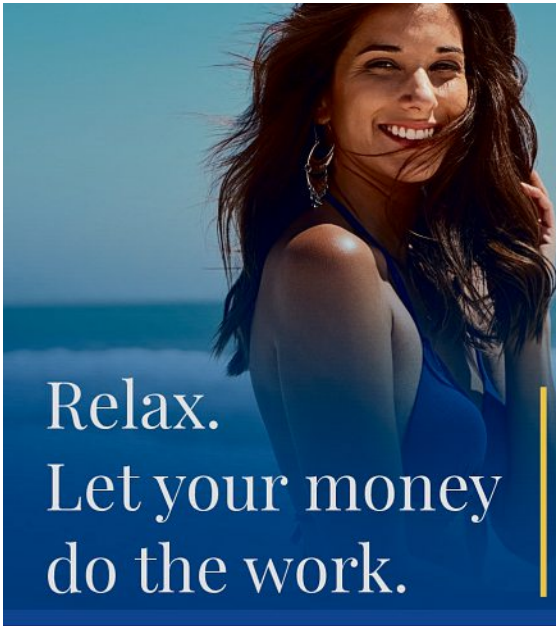


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IN THE DISTRICT COURT
OF TULSA COUNTY
STATE OF OKLAHOMA

TINKER FEDERAL CREDIT
UNION
Plaintiff,

vs.

Robbin D. Thomas,
Defendant.

Case No. CJ-2026-2254

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

To the above-named Defen-
dant: **Robbin D. Thomas**

You are hereby notified that
an action has been filed in
the District Court, of Tulsa
County, State of Oklahoma,
Case No. CJ-2026-2254 ,
styled "Tinker Federal Credit
Union, Plaintiff v. Robbin D.
Thomas , Defendant". The
action alleges that Defendant
is indebted to Tinker Federal
Credit Union in the amount
of \$10,784.07 as of May 6,
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favor of Tinker Federal Credit
Union.

Issued June 25, 2026.

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Legal Notices

**If You Are or Were an Owner Paid by Lime Rock for
Production Proceeds from an Oklahoma Well, You Could
Be a Part of a Proposed Class Action Settlement**

The Settlement Class includes, subject to certain
excluded persons or entities as detailed in the
Settlement Agreement:

All non-excluded persons or entities who:
(1) received late payments under the PRSA
from Defendants (or Defendants' designee) for
oil and gas proceeds from Oklahoma wells, or
whose proceeds from Oklahoma wells were
sent as unclaimed property to a government
entity by Defendants; and (2) whose proceeds
did not include the statutory interest required
by the PRSA.

Excluded from the Settlement Class are:
(1) Defendants, their affiliates, predecessors,
and employees, officers, and directors;
(2) agencies, departments, or instrumentalities
of the United States of America or the State of
Oklahoma; (3) any Indian Tribe as defined at
30 U.S.C. § 1702(4) or Indian allottee as defined
at 30 U.S.C. § 1702(2); and (4) persons or entities
that Plaintiff's Counsel may be prohibited from
representing under Rule 1.7 of the Oklahoma
Rules of Professional Conduct.

The Claim Period means checks or payments by
Lime Rock dated between February 25, 2020,
through January 25, 2026, subject to the terms
of the Settlement Agreement regarding Released
Claims. The Litigation seeks damages for
Defendants' alleged failure to pay statutory interest
on allegedly late payments under Oklahoma law.
Defendants expressly deny all allegations of
wrongdoing or liability with respect to the claims
and allegations in the Litigation. The Court did not
decide which side is right. "Defendants" means
Lime Rock Resources Operating Company, Inc.,
Lime Rock Resources IV-A, L.P., and LRR IV
Operating, Inc., Lime Rock Resources III-A, L.P.,
and LRR III Operating, Inc.

On June 10, 2026, the Court preliminarily approved a
Settlement in which Defendants agreed to pay Three
Million Three Hundred Forty Thousand Dollars
(\$3,340,000.00) in cash into the Settlement Fund.
From the Settlement Fund, the Court may deduct
Plaintiff's Attorneys' Fees, Litigation Expenses,
any Case Contribution Award, and Administration,
Notice, and Distribution Costs. The remainder of
the Settlement Fund (the "Net Settlement Fund")
will be distributed to participating Settlement Class
Members as provided in the Settlement Agreement.
Complete information on the benefits of the
Settlement, including information on distribution
of the Net Settlement Fund, can be found in the
Settlement Agreement posted on the website
listed below.

The attorney who represents the Class as Class
Counsel is Randy C. Smith of Randy C. Smith,
PLLC. You may hire your own attorney, if you
wish. However, you will be responsible for that
attorney's fees and expenses.

What Are My Legal Rights?
• **Do Nothing, Stay in the Class, and Receive
Benefits of the Settlement:** If the Court

approves the proposed Settlement, you or your
successors, if eligible, will receive the benefits
of the proposed Settlement. You will also be
bound by all orders and judgments of the Court,
and you will not be able to sue, or continue to
sue, Defendants or others identified in the
Settlement Agreement for the Released Claims
described in that Agreement.

• **Stay in the Settlement Class, But Object to
All or Part of the Settlement:** You can file and
serve a written objection to the Settlement and
appear before the Court. Your written objection
must contain the information described in the
Notice of Settlement found at the website listed
below and must be filed with the Court and
served on Plaintiff's Counsel and Defendants'
Counsel **no later than August 20, 2026, at
5:00 p.m. CT.**

• **Exclude Yourself from the Settlement
Class:** To exclude yourself from the
Settlement Class, you must serve by
certified mail a written statement to the
Settlement Administrator. Your Request
for Exclusion must contain the information
described in the Notice of Settlement found
at the website listed below and must be
received **no later than August 26, 2026, at
5:00 p.m. CT.** You cannot exclude yourself
on the website, by telephone, or by e-mail.

The Court will hold a Final Fairness Hearing
on September 10, 2026, at 10:00 a.m. CT at
the United States District Court for the Eastern
District of Oklahoma. At the Hearing, the Court
will consider whether the proposed Settlement
is fair, reasonable, and adequate. The Court
will also consider the application for Plaintiff's
Attorneys' Fees and Litigation Expenses and
other costs, including the Case Contribution
Award. If comments or objections have been
submitted in the manner required, the Court will
consider them as well. Please note that the date
of the Final Fairness Hearing is subject to change
without further notice. If you plan to attend the
Hearing, you should check with the Court and
www.chastain-limerock.com to confirm no
change to the date and time of the Hearing has
been made.

**This notice provides only a summary. For more
detailed information regarding the rights and
obligations of Settlement Class Members, read
the Notice of Settlement, Settlement Agreement,
and other documents posted on the website, or
contact the Settlement Administrator.**

Visit: www.chastain-limerock.com
Call Toll-Free: 1-855-943-0370
Or write to: Chastain v. Lime Rock Settlement
c/o JND Legal Administration,
Settlement Administrator
P.O. Box 91244
Seattle, WA 98111

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**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF OKLAHOMA**

David A. Chastain, on behalf of himself and
all others similarly situated,

Plaintiff,

v.

Lime Rock Resources Operating Company,
Inc., Lime Rock Resources IV-A, L.P., LRR
IV Operating, Inc., Lime Rock Resources III-
A, L.P., and LRR III Operating, Inc.,

Defendants.

Case No.: 6:26-cv-00167-DES

**NOTICE OF PROPOSED SETTLEMENT, MOTION FOR
ATTORNEYS' FEES AND COSTS, CASE CONTRIBUTION
AWARD, AND FAIRNESS HEARING**

A court authorized this Notice. This is not a solicitation from a lawyer.

***If you belong to the Settlement Class and this Settlement is approved,
your legal rights will be affected.***

Read this Notice carefully to see what your rights are in connection with this Settlement.¹

Because you may be a member of the Settlement Class in the Litigation captioned above and described below ("the Litigation"), the Court has directed this Notice to be provided to you. The records of Lime Rock Resources Operating Company, Inc., Lime Rock Resources IV-A, L.P., LRR IV Operating, Inc., Lime Rock Resources III-A, L.P., and LRR III Operating, Inc. (collectively, "Defendants") show you are an owner in Oklahoma well(s) for which Defendants remitted oil and gas proceeds. Capitalized terms not otherwise defined in this Notice have the meanings attributed to those terms in the Settlement Agreement referred to below and available at www.chastain-limerock.com.

This Notice generally explains the claims being asserted in the Litigation, summarizes the Settlement, and tells you about your rights to remain a Settlement Class Member or to timely and properly submit a Request for Exclusion (also known as an "opt out") so that you will be excluded from the Settlement. This Notice provides information so you can decide what action you want to take with respect to the Settlement before the Court is asked to finally approve it. If the Court approves the Settlement and after final resolution of any objections or appeals, the Court-appointed Settlement Administrator will issue payments to eligible Settlement Class Members without any further action from you. This Notice describes the lawsuit, the Settlement, your legal rights, what benefits are available, who is eligible for them, and how to receive them.

¹ This Notice is a summary of the terms of the Settlement Agreement in this matter. Please refer to the Settlement Agreement for a complete description of its terms and provisions. A copy of the Settlement Agreement is available for free at www.chastain-limerock.com. The terms, conditions, and definitions in the Settlement Agreement qualify this Notice in its entirety.

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The Settlement Class in the Litigation consists of the following individuals and entities:

All non-excluded persons or entities who: (1) received late payments under the PRSA from Defendants (or Defendants' designee) for oil and gas proceeds from Oklahoma wells, or whose proceeds from Oklahoma wells were sent as unclaimed property to a government entity by Defendants; and (2) whose proceeds did not include the statutory interest required by the PRSA.

Excluded from the Settlement Class are: (1) Defendants, their affiliates, predecessors, and employees, officers, and directors; (2) agencies, departments, or instrumentalities of the United States of America or the State of Oklahoma; (3) any Indian Tribe as defined at 30 U.S.C. § 1702(4) or Indian allottee as defined at 30 U.S.C. § 1702(2); and (4) persons or entities that Plaintiff's Counsel may be prohibited from representing under Rule 1.7 of the Oklahoma Rules of Professional Conduct.

The Claim Period means checks or payments by Lime Rock dated between February 25, 2020, through January 25, 2026, subject to the terms of the Settlement Agreement regarding Released Claims. If you are unsure whether you are included in the Settlement Class, you may contact the Settlement Administrator at:

Chastain v Lime Rock Settlement
c/o JND Legal Administration, Settlement Administrator
P.O. Box 91244
Seattle, WA 98111
Call Toll-Free: 1-855-943-0370

**TO OBTAIN THE BENEFITS OF THIS PROPOSED SETTLEMENT,
YOU DO NOT HAVE TO DO ANYTHING.**

I. General Information About the Litigation

The Litigation seeks damages for Defendant's alleged failure to pay statutory interest on allegedly late payments under Oklahoma law. Defendants expressly deny all allegations of wrongdoing or liability with respect to the claims and allegations in the Litigation but has agreed to the proposed Settlement to avoid the uncertainty, burden, and expense of continued litigation. The Court has made no determination with respect to the merits of any of the parties' claims or defenses. A more complete description of the Litigation, its status, and the rulings made in the Litigation are available in the pleadings and other papers maintained by the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Oklahoma in the file for the Litigation.

II. The Settlement, Plaintiff's Attorneys' Fees, Litigation Expenses, Administration, Notice, and Distribution Costs, Case Contribution Award, and the Settlement Allocation and Distribution to the Class

On June 10, 2026, the Court preliminarily approved a Settlement in the Litigation between Plaintiff, on behalf of himself and the Settlement Class, and Defendants. This approval and this Notice are not an expression of opinion by the Court as to the merits of any of the claims or defenses asserted by any party to the Litigation, or of whether the Court will ultimately approve the Settlement Agreement.

In settlement of all claims alleged in the Litigation, Defendants have agreed to pay Three Million Three Hundred Forty Thousand Dollars (\$3,340,000.00) in cash ("Gross Settlement Fund"). In exchange for this payment outlined in the Settlement Agreement, the Settlement Class shall release the Released Claims (as defined in the Settlement Agreement available for review and download at

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www.chastain-limerock.com) against the Released Parties (as defined in the Settlement Agreement). The Gross Settlement Fund, less Plaintiff's Attorneys' Fees and Litigation Expenses and Administration, Notice, and Distribution Costs, Case Contribution Award, and any other costs approved by the Court (the "Net Settlement Fund"), will be distributed to final Class Members pursuant to the terms of the Settlement Agreement.

Class Counsel intends to seek an award of Plaintiff's Attorneys' Fees of not more than 40% of the Gross Settlement Fund. Class Counsel has been litigating this case without any payment whatsoever and has advanced expenses. At the Final Fairness Hearing, Plaintiff's Counsel will also seek reimbursement of the litigation and administration expenses incurred in connection with the prosecution of this Litigation and that will be incurred through final distribution of the Settlement. In addition, Plaintiff intends to seek a Case Contribution Award to compensate Plaintiff for his time, expense, risk, and burden in serving as Class Representative.

The Court must approve the Allocation Methodology, which describes how the Settlement Administrator will allocate the Net Settlement Fund. The Net Settlement Fund will be distributed by the Settlement Administrator after the Effective Date of the Settlement. The Effective Date requires the exhaustion of any appeals, which may take a year or more after the entry of Judgment. The Settlement may be terminated on several grounds, including if the Court does not approve or materially modifies the terms of the Settlement. If the Settlement is terminated, the Litigation will proceed as if the Settlement had not been reached.

This Notice does not and cannot set out all the terms of the Settlement Agreement, which is available for review at www.chastain-limerock.com. This website will include this Notice, the Settlement Agreement, the Complaint, the Preliminary Approval Order, and later the Plan of Allocation and Plaintiff's Counsel's application for fees, costs, and the Case Contribution Award. You may also receive information about the progress of the Settlement by visiting the website at www.chastain-limerock.com, or by contacting the Settlement Administrator at the address set forth above.

III. Class Settlement Fairness Hearing

The Final Fairness Hearing will be held on September 10, 2026, beginning at 10:00 a.m. CT, before the Honorable D. Edward Snow, the United States Magistrate Judge, at the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Oklahoma, 101 North 5th Street, Muskogee, Oklahoma 74401. Please note that the date of the Fairness Hearing is subject to change without further notice. You should check with the Court and www.chastain-limerock.com to confirm no change to the date and time of the hearing has been made. At the Fairness Hearing, the Court will consider: (a) whether the Settlement is fair, reasonable, and adequate; (b) any timely and properly raised objections to the Settlement; (c) the Allocation Methodology; (d) the application for Plaintiff's Attorneys' Fees and Litigation Expenses and Administration, Notice, and Distribution Costs; and (e) the application for the Case Contribution Award for the Class Representative.

A SETTLEMENT CLASS MEMBER WHO WISHES TO PARTICIPATE IN THE SETTLEMENT AND DOES NOT SUBMIT A VALID REQUEST FOR EXCLUSION DOES NOT NEED TO APPEAR AT THE FINAL FAIRNESS HEARING OR TAKE ANY OTHER ACTION TO PARTICIPATE IN THE SETTLEMENT.

IV. What Are Your Options As A Class Member?

A. You Can Participate in the Class Settlement by Doing Nothing

By taking no action, your interests will be represented by Plaintiff as the Class Representative and by Plaintiff's Counsel. As a Settlement Class Member, you will be bound by the outcome of the Settlement, if finally approved by the Court. If you are entitled to a distribution pursuant to the Allocation Methodology, you will receive your portion of the Net Settlement Fund, and you will be bound by the Settlement Agreement and all orders and judgments entered by the Court regarding the Settlement. If the Settlement is approved, unless you exclude yourself from the Settlement Class, neither you nor any other Releasing Party will be able to start a lawsuit or arbitration, continue a lawsuit or arbitration, or be part of any other lawsuit against any of the Released Parties based on any of the Released Claims.

B. You May Submit a Request for Exclusion to Opt Out of the Settlement Class

If you do not wish to be a member of the Settlement Class, then you must exclude yourself from the Settlement Class by mailing a Request for Exclusion. All Requests for Exclusion must include: (i) your name, address, telephone number, and notarized signature; (ii) a statement that you wish to be excluded from the Settlement Class in *David A. Chastain, on behalf of himself and all others similarly situated, v. Lime Rock Resources Operating Company, Inc., Lime Rock Resources IV-A, L.P., LRR IV Operating, Inc., Lime Rock Resources III-A, L.P., and LRR III Operating, Inc.*; and (iii) a description of your interest in any wells for which Defendants remitted oil-and-gas proceeds, including the well name, well number, county in which the well is located, and the owner identification number. Requests for Exclusion must be mailed by certified mail, return receipt requested, to the Settlement Administrator at the address set forth below, and received **no later than 5 p.m. CT on August 26, 2026**. For purposes of serving any objection described in Section IV.C, Class Counsel and Defendants' Counsel may be served at the addresses set forth below:

Settlement Administrator	Class Counsel	Defendants' Counsel
Chastain v Lime Rock Settlement c/o JND Legal Administration, Settlement Administrator P.O. Box 91244 Seattle, WA 98111	Randy C. Smith RANDY C. SMITH, PLLC One Leadership Square, Suite 1310 211 North Robinson Ave. Oklahoma City, OK 73102	Fred R. Gipson THE LAW OFFICE OF FRED R. GIPSON, PLLC 104 McSha Place Norman, OK 73072

If you do not follow these procedures – including mailing the Request for Exclusion so that it is received by the deadline set out above – you will not be excluded from the Settlement Class, and you will be bound by all of the orders and judgments entered by the Court regarding the Settlement, including the release of claims. You cannot exclude yourself on the website, by telephone, facsimile, or e-mail. If you validly request exclusion as described above, you will not receive any distribution from the Net Settlement Fund, you cannot object to the Settlement, and you will not have released any claim against the Released Parties. You will not be legally bound by anything that happens in the Litigation.

C. You May Remain a Member of the Settlement Class, But Object to the Settlement, Allocation Methodology, Plan of Allocation, Plaintiff's Attorneys' Fees, Litigation Expenses, Administration, Notice, and Distribution Costs, or Case Contribution Award

Any Class Member who wishes to object to the fairness, reasonableness, or adequacy of the Settlement, any term of the Settlement, the Allocation Methodology, the Plan of Allocation, the request for Plaintiff's Attorneys' Fees and Litigation Expenses and Administration, Notice, and Distribution Costs, or the request for the Case Contribution Award to Class Representative may file an objection. An objector must file with the Court and serve upon Class Counsel and Defendants' Counsel a written objection containing the following: (a) a heading referring to *David A. Chastain, on behalf of himself and all others similarly situated, v. Lime Rock Resources Operating Company, Inc., Lime Rock Resources IV-A, L.P., LRR IV Operating, Inc., Lime Rock Resources III-A, L.P., and LRR III Operating, Inc.*, Case No. 26-CV-00167-DES, United States District Court for the Eastern District of Oklahoma; (b) a statement as to whether the objector intends to appear at the Final Fairness Hearing, either in person or through counsel, and, if through counsel, counsel must be identified by name, address, and telephone number; (c) a detailed statement of the specific legal and factual basis for each and every objection; (d) a list of any witnesses the objector may call at the Final Fairness Hearing, together with a brief summary of each witness's expected testimony (to the extent the objector desires to offer expert testimony and/or an expert report, any such evidence must fully comply with the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, Federal Rules of Evidence, and the Local Rules of the Court); (e) a list of and copies of any exhibits the objector may seek to use at the Final Fairness Hearing; (f) a list of any legal authority the objector may present at the Final Fairness Hearing; (g) the objector's name, current address, current telephone number, and all owner identification numbers with Defendants; (h) the objector's signature executed before a Notary Public; (i) identification of the objector's interest in wells for which Defendants remitted oil and gas proceeds (by well name, payee well number, and county in which the well is located) during the Claim Period and identification of any payments by date of payment, date of production, and amount; and (j) if the objector is objecting to any portion of the Plaintiff's Attorneys' Fees or Litigation Expenses and Administration, Notice, and Distribution Costs, or Case Contribution Award sought by Class Representative or Class Counsel on the basis that the amounts requested are unreasonably high, the objector must specifically state the portion of such requests he/she/it believes is fair and reasonable and the portion that is not. Such written objections must be filed with the Court and served on Plaintiff's Counsel and Defendants' Counsel, via certified mail return receipt requested, and received **no later than 5 p.m. CT on August 20, 2026**, at the addresses set forth above. Any Class Member that fails to timely file the written objection statement and provide the required information will not be permitted to present any objections at the Final Fairness Hearing. Your written objection must be timely filed with the Court at the address below:

Clerk of the Court
United States District Court for the Eastern District of Oklahoma
101 North 5th Street, Room 208
Muskogee, OK 74401

UNLESS OTHERWISE ORDERED BY THE COURT, ANY SETTLEMENT CLASS MEMBER WHO DOES NOT OBJECT IN THE MANNER DESCRIBED HEREIN WILL BE DEEMED TO HAVE WAIVED ANY OBJECTION AND SHALL BE FOREVER FORECLOSED FROM MAKING ANY OBJECTION TO THE SETTLEMENT (OR ANY PART THEREOF) AND WILL NOT BE ALLOWED TO PRESENT ANY OBJECTIONS AT THE FINAL FAIRNESS HEARING.

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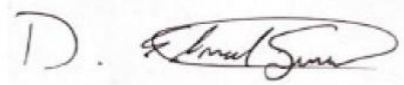
D. You May Retain Your Own Attorney to Represent You at the Final Fairness Hearing

You have the right to retain your own attorney to represent you at the Final Fairness Hearing. If you retain separate counsel, you will be responsible for that attorney's fees and expenses out of your own pocket.

V. Availability of Filed Papers And More Information

This Notice summarizes the Settlement Agreement, which sets out all of its terms. You may obtain a copy of the Settlement Agreement with its exhibits, as well as other relevant documents, from the settlement website for free at www.chastain-limerock.com, or you may request copies by contacting the Settlement Administrator as set forth above. In addition, the pleadings and other papers filed in this Action, including the Settlement Agreement, are available for inspection at the Office of the Clerk of the Court, set forth above, and may be obtained from the Clerk's office directly. The records are also available on-line for a fee through the PACER service at <https://pacer.uscourts.gov/>. If you have any questions about this Notice, you may consult an attorney of your own choosing at your own expense or Class Counsel.

PLEASE DO NOT CONTACT THE JUDGE OR THE COURT CLERK ASKING FOR INFORMATION REGARDING THIS NOTICE.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "D. Edward Snow", is written over a horizontal line.

D. EDWARD SNOW
UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE