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Biography

Josh Hickman is the Owner of Hickman Geological Consulting, LLC, which he founded in 2014 with his wife, Jessica. The focus of the company's work is on the decision space between financial matters and technical data. HGC provides this expertise to financial institutions, startup oil and gas companies, and landowners. In the public eye, Mr. Hickman has been featured as an expert on Oil and Gas Industry matters in regional news publications, radio broadcasts, and speaking engagements.

Mr. Hickman began his career with Consol Energy in 2003 and was responsible for the company's 1.6 million acres of oil and gas rights across the Central and Eastern United States. After participating in the Consol spinout of CNX Gas, Mr. Hickman moved to Cabot Oil and Gas in 2008 as lead geologist for their West Virginia assets which included 630,000 acres of land and 3,500 active wells. During this time, Mr. Hickman was also tasked as the lead Utica Shale geologist at the company. This position included the creation of a geologic model with over 10,000 wells and oversight of exploration activities in this shale. In 2012, Mr. Hickman accepted the position of Chief Geologist at Edgemarc Energy Holdings where he oversaw the technical due diligence and communication of value required to select 60,000 acres to build the foundation of the company's position.

In addition to these accomplishments, Mr. Hickman is the Founder and Chairman of Young Professionals in Energy (YPE) Pittsburgh and serves on the Board of the Pittsburgh Botanic Gardens, a 25 year old organization that is building a world class garden out of reclaimed abandoned mine lands. He graduated Cum Laude Bachelors of Science in Geology from Radford University in 2001, earned a Cum Laude M.Sc. degree from the University of South Carolina in 2003, and received a Cum Laude MBA from the Pennsylvania State University in 2008. In 2011, he earned a Professional Geologist certification in the State of Pennsylvania. Also, Mr. Hickman has received notable awards in the region that include Pittsburgh Magazine's 40 Under 40 in 2011 and the Energy Leadership Award by the Pittsburgh Business Times in 2013. In his spare time, Mr. Hickman donates his time to the Boy Scouts of America.