

Wednesday, March 28, 2018

Petroleum Club of Houston • 1201 Louisiana (Total Building)
Social Hour 11:15 a.m.
Luncheon 11:45 a.m.

Cost: \$35 Preregistered members; \$40 non-members/walk-ups

To guarantee a seat, pre-register on the HGS website & pre-pay by credit card.

Pre-registration without payment will not be accepted.

Walk-ups may pay at the door if extra seats are available.

If you are an Active or Associate Member who is unemployed and would like to attend this meeting, please call the HGS office for a discounted registration cost. We are also seeking members to volunteer at the registration desk for this and other events.

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Grey Areas: Interactive Application of Business Ethics in the Geoscience Profession

Most large oil companies require their employees to have yearly ethics training which is often broad and dry. Texas Board of Petroleum Geologists (TBPG) licensees are also required to have one hour of ethics training every year; this talk fulfills that requirement for 2018. Although I do not have a degree in philosophy or jurisprudence, I have been an international explorationist for 35 years and am aware of many situations where individual or business ethics were tested.

Two years ago, I gave a lecture introducing the theory of philosophical ethics exploring the difference between a moral compass, ethics and how this relates to business ethics. Last year we reviewed this model and then applied it to our industry with feedback from the audience via polling technology. This year I again plan to have a very brief review of the Ethics Model and focus on examples where your business ethics are tested. I need to hear from you to make this experience more meaningful. Please submit ethics examples you have encountered in your career to the HGS office by March 21st to be considered for use in the lecture. Examples will be anonymous and the situation will be modified, but the issue will be the same as submitted. Using the examples, the audience will provide immediate digital feedback

while we discuss Business Ethics focusing on making sound, consistent and ethical decisions. Come and join this entertaining and spirited discussion about the “grey areas” and make sure to bring a phone that is capable of texting. The HGS will provide all participants with an Education certificate. ■

Biographical Sketch

JOHN E. JORDAN, JR. is a Past President of the HGS and a licensed geoscientist in Texas. He is a retired Project Geophysical Advisor who has worked for several Fortune 500 oil companies in California and Texas. Prior to joining Anadarko in 2007 he worked at Kerr McGee, Noble Energy, Arco and Chevron. During 30+ years in the oil industry John has worked deep-water and onshore projects in Alaska, Gulf of Mexico, Middle East, Asia, Africa and South America. John is a graduate of Wright State University where he received both a BSc and an MSc from the College of Science and Mathematics majoring in geology and geophysics. He does not hold degrees in philosophy or jurisprudence but enjoys lively debate on most any subject.

