

Chief Clerk & Deputy Land Commissioner, Mark Havens

Mark Havens currently serves as Chief Clerk and Deputy Land Commissioner for Texas Land Commissioner, George P. Bush, and is responsible for managing all aspects of the agency. Mr. Havens obtained both his undergraduate degree and a Master's in Public Policy and Administration from Baylor University, prior to receiving his law degree from South Texas College of Law in Houston, Texas.

Mr. Havens began his legal career as an associate with Harbour, Smith, Harris and Merritt in Longview, Texas before serving as the Director of the Oil and Gas Legal Section and ultimately, as General Counsel at the Land Office under Commissioner Bush.

Mr. Havens speaks frequently throughout the state on topics related to riparian and littoral boundary disputes, the development of oil and gas on state lands, and legislative impacts to the energy sector.