



Arnold D. Lee Addresses Data Center Development in AZ Big Media

Spencer Fane attorney [Arnold D. Lee](#) authored the article [Lessons from Shale Guide Data Center Land Rush](#), recently published by *AZ Big Media*.

In the article, originally a firm [blog post](#), Arnold discusses the rapid growth of data-center development and the legal considerations it presents for landowners, developers, and communities. He explores how lessons from past energy development cycles can help inform strategies for navigating issues involving land use, leasing, infrastructure, and long-term risk. Arnold emphasizes the importance of proactive planning and experienced legal guidance as the data-center industry continues to expand.

“Landowners weighing a data-center lease should approach it with the same skepticism a mineral owner brings to a landman’s first offer. Developers should run diligence as if a dominant mineral estate could appear under their campus, because in many states it can. And host communities and the companies courting them should negotiate cost allocation and community benefits early, before opposition calcifies into moratoria,” Arnold wrote. “The boss has changed, but the playbook has not.”

At the firm, Arnold helps individuals and entities navigate complex matters through litigation and alternative dispute resolution, providing sound representation in state and federal courts and thoughtful guidance in mediation and arbitration. He skillfully employs comprehensive, client-centered strategies backed by decades of diverse experience and a full-service approach to casework, from intake to resolution.

Read his full article [here](#).