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PROFILE

Mr. Brodkey is a seasoned C-Level executive and senior professional with over 30 years of experience in the mining industry, with a strong focus on Construction, Energy, and Financial matters. Based in San Antonio, Texas, he is fluent in Spanish at an advanced level and has extensive experience working in North and Latin America. Over his career, he has been deeply involved in mining operations, exploration, and project development, as well as mergers, acquisitions, and dispositions. His expertise spans due diligence (technical, operational, legal, and environmental), financial valuation and modeling, complex contracts (including EPCM and EPC arrangements), and environmental permitting and compliance.

Mr. Brodkey has held key leadership roles, including serving as President and General Counsel for publicly traded junior mining exploration companies and founding the International Mining and Metals Group at CB Richard Ellis Inc. He also served as VP, Business Development, and VP, Associate General Counsel for BHP Copper Inc., following its acquisition of Magma Copper Company, where he was VP/General Counsel and Corporate Secretary.

His global experience covers a wide range of minerals, including base, precious, and battery metals, industrial materials, and rare earths. He has a comprehensive understanding of project management, construction, commissioning, financing, and risk management, alongside corporate legal matters, regulatory compliance, and environmental and safety issues. Mr. Brodkey holds a BS in Mining Engineering from the University of Arizona and a Juris Doctor from Creighton University, and is licensed to practice law in Arizona and Colorado (currently inactive).

EDUCATION

B.S. Mining Engineering (with distinction), University of Arizona. Tucson, AZ	1979
J.D. (cum laude), Creighton University. Omaha, NE	1982

BAR ADMISSIONS AND PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATION

Law Licenses: Arizona (active); Colorado (inactive)

Member, SME (Society for Mining, Metallurgy and Exploration)

Associate Member, IIMA (International Institute of Mineral Appraisers)

FINRA Series 6, Series 63 licenses and SIE exam

DETAILED EXPERIENCE

MINING

Asarco-Tennessee Mines Zinc Division--Valuation, due diligence, marketing, sale to Glencore

Gordonsville (TN) zinc complex--Valuation, due diligence, marketing, sale to TSX-V IPO company for private owner

United Nuclear (GE)--Valuation, due diligence, marketing, sale of uranium royalties (NM) to Laramide Resources

Valuation, due diligence and marketing of Rend Lake (IL) coal complex restart for Consol Energy

Pan American Lithium--valuation, due diligence and acquisition and exploration of Li salar properties in Chile from private Chilean company

Titan Iron Ore Corp.-valuation, due diligence and acquisition of Fe properties in Wyoming

Magma Copper Co.-evaluation, bid preparation and privatization of Tintaya Peru copper complex

Magma Copper Co.-evaluation, due diligence and acquisition of Robinson (NV) Copper complex from Kennecott

Magma Copper Co.—EPCM contracting with TIC for Robinson project concentrator and ancillary facilities

Zoro Mining Corp.--valuation, due diligence and acquisition of Au properties in Chile and Peru from private Chilean owner

Advisor to Dow Chemical Company in the evaluation for sale of various uranium and coal properties in Colorado and Utah

Pacific Copper Corp.—valuation, due diligence and acquisition of Cu properties in Chile form private Chilean owner

BHP Copper—seller's due diligence and transactional lead for sale of West Coast Steel division to Grupo IMSA (Mexico)

BHP Copper--negotiated master Earn-In and Joint venture with RTZ on multi-billion dollar Resolution Copper Project (Arizona) in 2001

BHP Copper—Master smelter rebuild project EPCM contract with Kvaerner

Represents private owners of Mexican Li salar project with Canadian investors, designing exploration program and project development

Represented confidential private equity secondary market investment fund in operational, financial and technical evaluation of investment in publicly traded lithium producer in Argentina

Represented private equity investor in technical evaluation and peer review of Argentine gold project investment opportunity; provided recommendation to forego $20+ million investment due to numerous problems with the mine

Provided Expert discounted cashflow (DCF) financial model and valuation opinion for Mexican copper project, representing private company owner in lawsuit in Mexican court proceeding brought by minority shareholders; my client prevailed in litigation

Provided expert witness opinion in American Arbitration Association contractual dispute over transfers of mining properties, represented current landowner against former resources company owner; my client prevailed in arbitration

Constructed expert discounted cashflow financial model and provided valuation and related financial opinions for western US iron mining project, in litigation involving client and mine's former owners/operators and successors

EXPERIENCE

IDAHO COPPER CORP. Boise, Idaho

Chief Executive and Operating Officer (January 2022 to present)

Idaho Copper Corporation ("IDCU") owns perhaps the largest undeveloped, global primary molybdenum project, and one of the largest undeveloped copper and silver deposits in the US. I joined as COO in January 2022 to take the project from its current PEA stage through the development of a Pre-Feasibility Study (PFS) and beyond. Was elevated to CEO/COO in July 2024. In charge of company strategic direction, exploration, permitting, project development, technical studies, Opex and Capex reduction strategies, key contract negotiation, community and governmental matters, and assisting with structuring and capital market financing.

BATTERY METALS, INC. ("BMI") Wilmington, NC (remote)

General Counsel, and Director, Commercial and Regulatory (from April 2023)

Joined privately held Delaware corporation as part of initial key professional management team at battery metals and magnet recycling startup. The team has vast technical experience in metals recycling and processing recovery operations, and features individuals with deep experience in all aspects of running corporate startups. BMI has extensive global contacts for spent battery metals and magnet recycling feedstock and source materials to produce materials which can be supplied to OEM's and battery and magnet manufacturers. The Company plans to take in black mass, lithium-

ion based batteries, other spent battery configurations, magnets, and other feedstock in a processing facility with an initial design for 50,000 tpy throughput of refined metals including Cu, Al, Li, Ni, Co. BMI is presently in a scoping study phase for the first battery recycling operation to be sited on the east coast of the US. The magnet recycling business will focus on recovery of rare earths and Ni.

ENERGY METALS DISCOVERY GROUP, LLC ("EMDG") San Antonio, Texas. Principal/Member (December 2017 to Present)

My chief focus in EMDG is on business development, deal structuring, joint ventures, complex contracts, permitting/environmental issues, and all legal-related work, including regulatory and compliance matters.

EMDG is a group of mining professionals with a history of successful discovery and development of mineral projects worldwide, with many collective years of experience in the mining industry incorporating exploration, development, mining and production, engineering design, hydrogeological and geotechnical engineering, legal, finance, administration, and project and corporate management skills. The principal purpose of EMDG is to act a project incubator, taking discoveries and initial exploration and development of meritorious properties to a level where they can be logically turned over to investors who have greater financial resources at their disposal.

- Discovered, located, and performed initial exploration and permitting at Valle del Diablo lithium salar in Baja California Norte, Mexico; vended concessions into CSE public vehicle and group retains carried project equity and other interests.
- Discovered and located additional lithium concessions in northern Mexico; currently engaged in grassroots exploration.

BRODKEY EXECUTIVE MANAGEMENT CONSULTING LLC. Antonio, Texas. Principal/Member (January 2018 to present)

Formed private entity to provide numerous expert services to the natural resources and other industries, including business valuation, technical evaluation of operations, due diligence, M&A assistance, financial modeling, deal structuring, expert reports and testimony in lawsuits and arbitrations, and forensic assistance.

- Retained to provide expert reports, depositional and trial testimony for salt mining client in royalty valuation dispute in state court in Texas; my testimony, opinions and reports enabled my client to disqualify opposing expert on a Daubert motion
- Appointed as independent Expert for forensic causation and damages analysis by Arbitrator in dispute in Chile involving a lithium mining company and its insurance carrier

BERKELEY RESEARCH GROUP. San Antonio, Texas and La Serena, Chile Director (September 2016 to Present)

Joined high level, global strategic advisory consulting organization as independent contractor focusing on the mining and energy industries in M&A/transactions and due diligence (technical operational, legal and environmental), property and project valuation and analysis, expert witness opinions, and commercial matters. Berkeley is a worldwide expert consulting firm providing independent advice, data analytics, authoritative studies, expert testimony and investigations, financial analysis, and regulatory/dispute consulting to Fortune 500 corporations, financial institutions, governmental agencies, major law firms and regulatory bodies.

- Represented private party in technical evaluation and peer review of Argentine gold project investment opportunity; provided recommendation to forego $20+ million investment due to numerous problems with the mine.
- Constructed expert discounted cashflow financial model and provided valuation and related financial opinions, and expert deposition and trial testimony, for western US iron mining project, in litigation involving client and mine's former owners/operators and successors.

CALDERA MINING AND ENERGY ADVISORS. La Serena, Chile and, Omaha, Nebraska Principal (March 2014 to September 2016):

Formed Mining and Energy advisory consulting practice providing multiple services including project evaluation, project valuation, financial modeling, financing and structuring design, due diligence and acquisitions/divestitures advice. Have also taken several mining projects for own account (with partners and financing sources). Key Projects:

- Formed partnership and secured Canadian investors for $2+ million in privately held lithium project in Mexico; advanced exploration and other work such that project was vended into public Canadian company in 2017.
- Represented confidential secondary market fund in 2016 evaluation and recommendations regarding multimillion-dollar investment in publicly held lithium company; identified technical issues and operational challenges.
- Represented private owners of Mexican copper project in 2016 and provided expert project valuation opinion in litigation in Mexican court proceeding by minority shareholders seeking millions of dollars in damages; owners prevailed fully in lawsuit.

TITAN IRON ORE CORP. Tucson, Arizona President, CEO and Director, and General Counsel (July 2011 to February 2014):

Joined publicly traded OTCBB junior iron ore company as chief executive as part of vend-in of Wyoming iron complex. In addition to strategic efforts as CEO, responsibilities included all legal and transactional work--negotiation of acquisitions, joint ventures, earn-in agreements, engineering contracts, private placements, financings and security arrangements, corporate, regulatory filings, stock exchange and securities work, regulatory and compliance issues (FCPA, etc.) and corporate administration. Major accomplishments:

- Completed a series of financings totaling $4 million

- Contracted for and conducted Phase 1 drilling exploration program at flagship Strong Creek Fe-Ti deposit in 2012, confirming previous results and presence of high-grade Fe-Ti minerals
- Entered Option to purchase historic Sunrise mining complex in 2013
- Sold company to new owners in early 2014.

FIRST POTASH CORP. f/k/a Pan American Lithium Corp., Tucson, Arizona President, CEO and Director, and General Counsel {December 2009 to September 2013):

Joined publicly traded TSX-V junior lithium company as chief executive as part of vend-in of portfolio of Chilean lithium/potassium brine projects covering over 20,000 hectares. In addition to strategic efforts as CEO, responsibilities involved all legal work--acquisitions, shareholder agreements, earn-in agreements, commercial contracts, engineering contracts, financings, corporate, regulatory filings, stock exchange and securities work, regulatory and compliance issues (FCPA, etc.) and corporate administration. Major accomplishments:

- Closed 3 major financings totaling over $5 million
- Secured foreign strategic partner (POSCO—$30 billion South Korean industrial company) as a major investor and supplier of lithium recovery technology to the portfolio
- Completed 2 additional major Li-K property acquisitions
- Contracted and conducted drilling and exploration campaign in 2011 at Llanta project to evaluate the resource
- Re-branded the company in 2012 as a potassium play following a failure by the Chilean government to allow Li projects to proceed

PACIFIC COPPER CORP. and ZORO MINING CORP. Tucson, Arizona. President, CEO and Director, and General Counsel (August 2007 to September 2011):

Joined two publicly traded OTCBB junior exploration companies as chief executive in order to develop and implement strategic direction for portfolios of copper and gold projects in South America. Also acted as manager of the private entity which serves as the administration and back office function-provider to these and a number of other, affiliated public companies which were run out of the same location. Performed all legal work for companies and had responsibility for all aspects of company administration as well as fundraising and capitalization, budgeting, and design and implementation of work programs, and regulatory and compliance issues (FCPA, etc.). Major accomplishments:

- Raised a total of over $12 million in financings for both companies over 4 years.
- Contracted for and conducted multimillion-dollar drilling and geophysical exploration programs at Yura (Peru) and Venapai, Don Beno, Carrera Pinto (Chile) which advanced each project.
- Completed acquisitions of additional projects for both companies in Chile.

- Designed copper oxide leaching strategy for Pacific Copper in Region III Chile (Cu sulfate crystals from various sites with central processing plant) showing $90 million NPV, favorable economics and substantial IRR.
- Engineered reverse share split in Zoro to simplify capital structure and optimize future investment.

CB RICHARD ELLIS, Tucson, Arizona. Managing Director, International Mining & Metals Group (July 2002 to August 2007)

Was principally accountable for creating and building the mining transactional practice of CBRE, the world's largest commercial transactor. Responsibilities included client development, listings, marketing of mining assignments, negotiation and closing mining-related transactions, primarily in the Americas. Worked on all aspects of listing and marketing documents, purchase and sales agreements, due diligence, valuation of projects and financial modeling. A sampling of the most relevant transactions or assignments involved with at CBRE is as follows:

- Financial/legal Advisor to Asarco, LLC, in $65 million sale of East Tennessee zinc properties to Glencore Ltd. (2006).
- Financial/legal advisor to owner of Middle Tennessee zinc properties in 2006, $17 million sale to Canadian startup company.
- Financial/legal advisor to General Electric in 2006, $9.5 million disposition of portfolio of uranium royalty interests to Laramide Resources.
- Advisor to Consol Energy in 2005 disposition and restart of southern Illinois coal complex (Rend Lake) and related properties; financial model demonstrated $100 million+ NPV.
- Advisor to Dow Chemical in packaging of portfolio of Colorado/Utah uranium properties in 2007.
- Provided expert opinion and testimony for owners of contaminated mining land in AAA arbitration against former owners, interpreting mining land transfer instruments—client prevailed fully in arbitration.

EARLY CAREER

BHP COPPER INC.,

VP, Business Development, VP, Assoc. General Counsel – managed M&A (disposition/JV of more than $1 billion of projects and properties) plus EPCM contracts worth over $500 million; permitted several US projects

MAGMA COPPER COMPANY

VP, General Counsel – managed legal, environmental, land and governmental affairs NYSE - traded international mining company, growing from an initial market capitalization of $200 million, to ultimately over $3.5 billion in friendly merger with

BHP; acquisition of over $1 billion in projects and properties; settled major environmental penalty actions and permitted several major mines; Chairman of Arizona Mining Association in 1994

GORSUCH, KIRGIS, CAMPBELL, WALKER AND GROVER

Attorney - large law firm natural resources and environmental law private practice

PETER KIEWIT SONS, INC.,

Mining Engineer

LANGUAGES

Spanish (High)

English (Native)