



GEOWOMEN TALK

Leaning in and pursuing new opportunities

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ABSTRACT

Women geoscientists are scarce in senior management roles within our industry. Why is that – there are plenty of very technically competent women but they haven't moved into these leadership roles. I'll share my personal experience on finding a role in uncertain times during the late 80's downturn, managing a career and children in the 1990's through 2000's, all the while aspiring to learn new concepts and progress into senior leadership roles. Hopefully I can provide some insights from my journey that others can use to help them forge their own.

BIOGRAPHY

Shelley is a professional geologist with over 30 years of oil and gas experience. Her recent experience has focused on building and leading technical teams in unconventional assets. Shelley has held various senior management roles at NAL Resources, EOG Resources Canada, Enerplus, and Encana. Ms. Leggitt holds a Masters degree in Geology from McMaster University. She is currently VP Geoscience with Velvet Energy leading a specialist technical team focussed on the Montney oil window.

Shelley has two young adult children, a son working as an oil and gas engineer and a daughter pursuing a veterinarian degree. After many years of balancing hockey and ringette events Shelley was able to renew her volunteerism with the CSPG in various roles, most recently as Chair of the Geoconvention. One of the highlights in her career has been working with young geoscientists in a training mentorship role.