# DONALD E. ROSS

### **Registered Professional Geologist Certified Senior Property Appraiser**

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**GENERAL EXPERIENCE**: Consultant and owner of Ross Consulting - specializing in: mine valuation, expert testimony, property tax consultation and sand and gravel appraisal.

(Since 1973)

Natural Resource Appraisal Supervisor for the State of Arizona - appraisal and cash flow analysis of mining and petroleum properties. (1974-88)

Senior Geologist for Inspiration Consolidated Copper Co. - mineral exploration/development and hydrologic studies. (1967-1973)

PROFESSIONAL American Institute of Professional Geologists, Number 3223

**GEOLOGIST** 

Arizona State Board of Technical Registration, Geologist, Reg. 13519

REGISTRATION: California State Board of Registration for Geologists, Reg. 4513

APPRAISER

Certified Appraiser, State of Arizona, Number 30142

**CERTIFICATION:** Accredited Senior Appraiser, American Society of Appraisers, Number

003142

Real Estate Appraiser, State of Missouri, Number RA003340

**MEMBERSHIP**:

American Institute of Mining Engineering (AIME), member since 1967

**EDUCATION:** 

B. S. Degree - Arizona State University, Major: Geology

Colorado School of Mines, Short Courses

The Lincoln Institute of Land Policy, "Appraisal of Mining Property"

Society of Mining, Metallurgy and Exploration, Short Course

State of Arizona and International Association of Assessing Officers, 9

appraisal courses

**EXPERIENCE**:

Consultant/Appraiser, Ross Consulting, 1973 to present

Mine valuation, expert testimony, property tax consultation, ore body appraisal, geologic evaluation, ore reserve determination, sand and gravel appraisal, implementation of mine appraisal systems, environmental studies and royalty rate determination.

Natural Resource Unit Supervisor, State of Arizona, 1974 to 1988

Expert witness testimony to defend mine appraisals; economic evaluation and appraisal of each producing mine in Arizona including analysis of costs, revenues and production data; development of capitalization rates and discounted cash flow analysis; investigation of hydrologic and environmental factors, analysis of successful and unsuccessful mining investment; evaluation of metal price trends and technological advances.

#### Inspiration Consolidated Copper Co., Inspiration, AZ, 1967 to 1973 **EXPERIENCE:**

Chief Geologist, Sanchez Project, AZ - Supervise geology division; prepare hydrology and environmental reports; prepare geological interpretation for the district; estimate ore reserves; coordinate property acquisition; conduct pit planning and feasibility studies.

Project Geologist, Leslie Denn Project, Winthrop, WA - Supervise exploration program, drilling and geological mapping; correlate geochemical and geophysical results; study hydrology; study environmental impact; estimate ore reserves; prepare final geological report.

Resident Mine Geologist, Inspiration, AZ - Estimate ore reserves; log drill core; stake mining claims; develop water supply; study environmental impact; prepare geological and property maps.

### **COURT EXPERIENCE:**

Expert witness in court cases regarding appraisal and mine valuation:

American Smelting and Refining Co. v. Pima County, AZ, 1974. Ranchers Exploration and Development v. Gila County, AZ, 1975.

Cyprus-Pima Mining Co. v. Pima County, AZ, 1976.

Duval Corporation/Mineral Park Mine v. Mohave County, AZ, 1976.

Cyprus-Bagdad Mining Co. v. Yavapai County, AZ, 1977.

Inspiration Consolidated Copper Co. v. Gila County, AZ, 1980 and 1981.

Maricopa County Flood Control District v. R. C. Jones, AZ, 1993. Wharf Resources v. Lead-Deadwood School District, SD, 1993.

ASARCO - Ray Mine v. Gila County, AZ, 1996.

City of Phoenix v. R. Peters, AZ, 1997.

Halloran et. al. v. Sierra Aggregate Co., CA, 1998.

Buckeye Irrigation Co. v. Waterfowl Preservation Society, AZ, 1999.

**EXPERT** 

Arizona Board of Tax Appeals, AZ, expert witness in ninety-three

mine valuation cases. **WITNESS** 

Homestake - McLaughlin Mine v. Lake County, CA. **EXPERIENCE**:

Sonora Mining Co. - Jamestown Mine v. Toulumne County, CA.

Cyprus-Bagdad Mining Co. v. Yavapai Co., AZ.

PUBLICATIONS: Assessment of Sand and Gravel Resources and Economic Mining

Potential:

Fort McDowell Mohave - Apache Indian Community, AZ; NADSAT project #19; U. S. Department of Commerce.

Appraisal Manual for Mines and Natural Resources:

Arizona Department of Revenue, published from 1979 to 1988.

Appraisal Manual for Mines and Quarries:

South Dakota, Lawrence County, published 1989 & 1990.

INSTRUCTOR: Mines and Quarry Valuation, Int. Assoc. of Assessing Officers Workshop,

1993-1998.

Client:

Magma Copper Company

## **CONSULTING PROJECTS**

Mine: Objective: Client:	Carlin Trend, NV Appraisal and Property Tax Analysis Newmont Gold Company	Mine: Objective: Client:	Morenci Mine , Arizona Appraisal and Expert Witness Phelps Dodge Corporation
Mine: Objective:	Mission and Ray Mines, Arizona Appraisal and Property Tax Analysis	Mine: Objective:	McLaughlin Mine, CA Economic Evaluation and Expert Witness
Client:	ASARCO	Client:	Homestake Mining Company
Mine: Objective: Client:	Bagdad and Miami Mines, Arizona Appraisal and Expert Witness Cyprus Minerals Company	Mine: Objective: Client:	Tucson Houghton and Marana Quarries, Arizona Appraisal sand/gravel The CalMat Companies
Mine: Objective: Client:	Valley gravel quarry, CA Appraisal Tokai Bank	Mine: Objective: Client:	Utah Gypsum Mine Appraisal Key Bank, UT
Mine: Objective: Client:	Jamestown Mine, CA Appraisal and Expert Witness Sonora Mining Corporation	Mine: Objective: Client:	Sand/gravel deposits, Arizona Appraisal Flood Control District - Maricopa Co. ,Arizona
Mine: Objective: Client:	Alaska Mines Appraisal City/Borough Juneau , AK	Mine: Objective: Client:	Coal Mines, Arizona & NM Appraisal Navajo Nation
Mine: Objective:	San Manuel Mine, Arizona Appraisal of gold and copper mines	Mine: Objective:	La Posta & Pala Indian Reservations, CA Appraisal & royalty rate - gravel quarry

Client:

Bureau of Indian Affairs

Mine: Sanchez Mine, Arizona Mine: Fort McDowell Indian Reservation, Arizona

Objective: Geologic and ore reserve analysis Objective: Financial analysis for sand/gravel

Client: AZCO Mining Client: Fort McDowell Indian Tribe

Mine: South Dakota Gold Mines Mine: McDowell Mountains, Arizona

Objective: Appraise gold mines/write appraisal Objective: Prepare geological map and analysis

manual report

Client: Lawrence County , SD Client: Andover Corporation Markland Properties, Inc.

Properties, inc

Mine: Rocky Canyon BLM, CA Mine: Mississippi River Limestone Quarry, MO

Objective: Appraise granite quarry Objective: Discounted cash flow

Client: Union Asphalt, Inc., CA Client: Mercantile Bank, St. Louis, MO

Project: Appraisal Manual, Arizona Mine: Gila River Waterfowl Preserve, Arizona

Objective: Write appraisal manual Objective: Appraisal sand and gravel deposit

Client: Arizona Department of Revenue Client: Sam Kelsall

Mine: Russian gold mines Mine: Wellington , UT

Objective: Evaluate potential Objective: Appraisal coal mine

Client: Coastal Corp.

Mine: Poulsbo Clay Mine, WA Mine: Henderson Moly Mine, CO

Objective: Appraisal Objective: Appraisal

Client: Pope Res. & Ash Grove Cement Client: Grand County , CO