WEST VIRGINIA CODE: §55-2-1A

§55-2-1a. Ownership or possession of surface of lands after severance of minerals not adverse to owner of minerals.

Whenever title to any minerals in land and the rights appurtenant thereto have been, or shall hereafter be, severed from title to the surface, the continuity of the possession of such minerals and the rights appurtenant thereto shall not be deemed to have been broken by such severance; and ownership or possession of the surface after severance shall not be adverse to the interests of the owner or owners of such minerals and appurtenant rights.

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