FORM 3

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

## INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person'     2. Date of Event Requi (Month/Day/Year)       CLIFTON MATTHEW P     07/27/2018					Statement	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>Matador Resources Co</u> [ MTDR ]							
(Last) 5400 LBJ FREEW SUITE 1500 (Street) DALLAS (City)	5400 LBJ FREEWAY JUITE 1500 Sireet) DALLAS TX 75240					4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) X Director 10% Owner Officer (give title below) Other (specify be			-	5. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)     6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)     X Form filed by One Reporting Person     Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
				Table	I - Non-De	rivative S	ecurities Beneficially	Owned		·			
1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)						2. Amount o (Instr. 4)	Securities Beneficially Ow	med 3 (I	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)		4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)		
Common Stock							20,000		D				
							urities Beneficially Coptions, convertible		)				
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4) 2. Date Exercisable an Expiration Date (MonthDay)/Year)					ate	3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4) 4. Conversi Exercise Pr of Derivative				6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)	cial		
				Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title			Amount or Number of Shares	Security			

Remarks:

/s/ Matthew P. Clifton, by Kyle A. Ellis as attr

orney-in-fact \*\* Signature of Reporting Person 07/31/2018 Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.
\* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5 (b)(v).
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## SECTION 16 POWER OF ATTORNEY

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, that the undersigned hereby constitutes and appoints each of Joseph Wm. Foran, David Lancaster, Craig Adams, Brian Willey, Bryan Erms (1) execute for and on behalf of the undersigned, in the undersigned's capacity as an officer and/or director of Matador Resources Company (the "Company"), Forms 3, (2) do and perform any and all acts for and on behalf of the undersigned which may be necessary or desirable to complete and execute any such Form 3, 4, or 5 and tim (3) take any other action of any type whatsoever in connection with the foregoing which, in the opinion of such attorney-in-fact, may be of benefit to, in the best : The undersigned hereby grants to each such attorney-in-fact full power and authority to do and perform any and every act and thing whatsoever requisite, necessary, c This Power of Attorney shall remain in full force and effect until the undersigned is no longer required to file Forms 3, 4, and 5 with respect to the undersigned's IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has caused this Power of Attorney to be executed as of this 20th day of July, 2018.

/s/ Matthew P. Clifton Matthew P. Clifton