

## About our primary instructors...

**Eric R. Herlan** graduated from the University of Maine, received his Ph.D. from Columbia University in 1987, and graduated from the University of Maine School of Law in that same year. He was editor-in-chief of the *Maine Law Review* and has authored a number of law review articles. Since joining Drummond Woodsum in 1988, he has concentrated in school law with an emphasis on special education issues. He has lectured and written on school law and special education matters nationally and is an author of Maine School Law, Third Edition. Eric is the editor of the *Special Education Quarterly* and a co-editor of the 2007 edition of *Maine School Law for Board Members*.

**Bruce Smith** is a graduate of Middlebury College and the University of Maine School of Law, where he was an editor of the *Maine Law Review*. Bruce joined Drummond Woodsum in 1985, and his practice is now concentrated almost exclusively in the area of school and employment law and litigation. He has frequently taught the school law course in the USM graduate education program and the Maine School Law Summer Institute and is a contributing author of Maine School Law, Third Edition.

## About our guest instructors...

**Melissa A. Hewey** is the chair of the firm's Trial Services Group where her practice focuses on employment matters, including defense against discrimination, sexual harassment, and civil rights claims. She has represented many school districts and private businesses in state and federal courts at the trial and appellate level and before the Maine Human Rights Commission. Melissa also lectures frequently on topics in employment law. She is a 1980 graduate of Wesleyan University and a 1987 graduate of the University of Maine School of Law.

**E. William Stockmeyer** is a graduate of Cornell University and Cornell Law School. Since joining Drummond Woodsum in 1986, Bill has concentrated his practice in the areas of public finance and

real estate. He has served as bond counsel on numerous school construction projects across the state and has lectured in the areas of bond financing, voter referenda, cash flow borrowing, authorized investments, reserve funds, and budgeting, and is an author of Maine School Law, Third Edition.

## What your colleagues had to say about the 2009 Institute...

- "Colleagues told me this was THE school law course to take—they were right!"
- "The institute was the most practically useful course I have attended in my professional career. The experiential aspect made the four days move quickly but had the value of an entire semester. Thanks for a great experience."
- "Be prepared to work hard, learn from the BEST, and have fun!"
- "An excellent way to meet the certification requirements and to learn the fundamentals of Maine school law."
- "A great way to capture the basic essentials of Maine law! Presented in a way that will help you really think about the issues most relevant to schools."



## About Thomas College...

Thomas College is located in Waterville, which is located off Exit 127, I-95 North or South. Classes will be held on campus. Participants will live in single rooms in an air conditioned dormitory and will dine in the cafeteria. Once registration has closed, participants will receive directions to Thomas College and specific information about lodging and meals. In the meantime, if you have any questions, please call Phyllis Deringis at the MPA at 622-0217.



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# Maine School Law Institute 2010

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Maine School Law Summer Institute

with Primary Presenters Eric Herlan and Bruce Smith and Guest Presenters Melissa Hewey and William Stockmeyer

Thomas College, Waterville

July 27, 28, 29, and 30, 2010

Agenda

**Tuesday, July 27**

7:45-8:30 a.m.

Registration and Continental Breakfast

8:30-4:30 p.m.

Program and Lunch

6:30-7:30 p.m.

Mandatory Evening Law-Related Activity

**Wednesday, July 28**

8:30-4:00 p.m.

Program and Lunch

6:15-7:15 p.m.

Mandatory Evening Law-Related Activity

**Thursday, July 29**

8:30-5:00 p.m.

Program and Lunch

5:30-8:00 p.m.

Special Social Event and Dinner

**Friday, July 30**

8:00-1:00 p.m.

Program

1:00 p.m.

Depart with Bagged Lunch

Institute Topics

Legal Framework of the Public Schools in Maine  
Student Rights  
Special Education  
Employment  
Collective Bargaining  
Litigation and Liability  
Religion  
Finance

About the Institute...

This four-day institute was designed with busy administrators in mind. In a short period of time, 30 participants will cover materials traditionally taught in a semester-long course. This will be accomplished through significant reading ahead of time, two papers—the first submitted prior to the institute and the second submitted after the institute—active class discussion and participation including case arguments, and presentations by attorneys from Maine's premiere school law practice. The institute is an intense and exciting learning experience for administrators; *thus, we encourage participants to stay on campus.* Because of the small class size and residential nature of the institute, the primary instructors will be available to continue discussions and talk informally with participants throughout the four-day period.

The institute has been approved by the Maine Department of Education to satisfy the United States and State of Maine civil rights law and education laws required for all administrator certificates. This is an outstanding opportunity for those who need to satisfy the Maine school law requirement or for those who may have taken Maine school law many years ago and find it is time for an update. Those who complete all requirements may receive recertification credits for an additional \$20.00 fee payable on the first day of the institute. **(Note: The institute does not carry graduate credits.)**

Required Texts

Maine School Law, Third Edition, Harry Pringle and Amy Tchao, Editors, and Significant Cases in Maine School Law, Second Edition, Donald Kopp, Editor. **Please note the editions of these texts.**

The appropriate texts and assigned topics for the papers will be forwarded to each student during the last week of May.

Assignments, Readings, and Papers

By the first class, students will need to have read both texts. In order to accomplish this, students will need to begin all readings well in advance of the first class. All students will be required to submit a five page paper on an assigned topic, based on the readings, by July 15. That paper will be read, commented on, graded, and returned to each student by the first day of class. A second five page paper will then be due on August 11.

Case Arguments

For each class session, up to six students will present five-minute oral arguments on one side or the other of a legal decision from the casebook.

Participation

Spirited class discussion is an important part of this course. Following each case in the casebook are case questions. Discussions will begin by a student being called on to respond to one of the case questions. It will be important for each student to have reviewed the questions and to be prepared to respond to them.

Grading

Grades will be based on the papers, on active class participation, and on the case arguments.

Cost and Payment

Full payment is due by June 4. Because of an anticipated waiting list, receipt of the \$400 deposit does not guarantee a space after June 4. Please note that we do not accept purchase orders.

Maine School Law Institute  
with Attorneys from  
Drummond Woodsum

Limited to 30 participants, first come, first served  
Please detach and return before the May 7, 2010 registration deadline.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Badge Name \_\_\_\_\_

Position \_\_\_\_\_

District \_\_\_\_\_

School Name \_\_\_\_\_

School Address \_\_\_\_\_

Work Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail \* \_\_\_\_\_

(\* Required—Conference confirmation sent by e-mail only)

Registration:

A deposit of \$400 is due with registration. No refunds will be given after May 7. Payment in full is due by June 4. The \$400 deposit holds your place until June 4 only.

Registration Fee: (Check One)

\_\_\_\_\_ \$1,290—includes \$900 tuition, \$125 for required texts (Maine School Law, 3rd ed., and Significant Cases in Maine Law, 2nd ed.), and \$265 for 3 nights' lodging, meals, and breaks at Thomas College.

\_\_\_\_\_ \$1,185—Commuter rate—includes tuition, texts, meals, and breaks.

Payment Amount: Check one

\_\_\_ Full payment enclosed.

\_\_\_ \$400 deposit enclosed.

Payment Type: Check one

**(WE DO NOT ACCEPT PURCHASE ORDERS)**

\_\_\_ Check enclosed \_\_\_\_\_ (amount).

\_\_\_ Credit Card \_\_\_\_\_ (amount charged).

For credit card charges visit SchoolLaw.com  
(Calendar of Events).

Mail registration & check payable to the MPA to:

Maine Principals' Association

PO Box 2468, Augusta, ME 04338-2468

You can also register on-line with a credit card at  
SchoolLaw.com