

About our primary instructors...

Richard A. Spencer has advocated for school departments as a member of Drummond Woodsum's School Law Practice Group, in the Maine legislature, and in the courts since 1971. He has played a major role in significant legislation to aid school construction and finance. He has served in the Maine legislature where he was House Chairman of the Judiciary Committee. Dick graduated from Columbia Law School as a Harlan Fiske Stone Scholar and is an honors graduate of Harvard College. He is an author of [Maine School Law, Third Edition](#).

E. William Stockmeyer, a member of Drummond Woodsum's School Law Practice Group, advises Maine schools in the areas of public finance, school budget and business issues, school construction, 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. He is an author of [Maine School Law, Third Edition](#). Bill is a 1986 graduate of Cornell Law School and holds BA and MS degrees from Cornell University.

About our guest instructors...

Gerald (Jake) Clockedile has spent many years as a superintendent of schools and as a school business manager, with experience in a school administrative district, a single municipality, and a school union. He also served as a Department of Education facilitator during the school consolidation process. Jake taught school finance at the University of Southern Maine and the University of New England for many years as well. He received a doctorate in 1986 from Nova Southeastern University. He earned a Certificate of Advanced Study in 1986, a Master's Degree in 1976, and a Bachelor's Degree in 1966 from the University of Maine System.

Jerrold A. Crouter is Drummond Woodsum's Managing Partner and is a member of the Trial Services Group. He has more than 18 years of experience as a civil trial attorney, including litigation of construction disputes, in both federal and state courts, in arbitration proceedings, and through formal mediation. Jerry is an adjunct Professor of Law at the University of Maine School of Law, where he teaches trial practice. He is a 1983

graduate of George Washington University's National Law Center, where he graduated Order of the Coif. He earned his undergraduate degree in 1978 from Colby College.

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. Ms. Hewey 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.

Robert P. Nadeau, a member of the School Law Practice Group at Drummond Woodsum, practices primarily in the areas of public finance, construction law, and employee benefits. Rob has experience in many aspects of the school construction process, including drafting architect contracts and advising clients with regard to tax issues associated with the financing of school construction projects. He is an author of [Maine School Law, Third Edition](#). He graduated from the University of Maine at Fort Kent, received his Master's Degree in history from the University of Maine at Orono and his law degree from New York University School of Law.

About Drummond Woodsum's Conference Space...

Drummond Woodsum is located at 84 Marginal Way in Portland, a short distance from the Franklin Street exit, Exit 7 off I-295 north or south.

Participants will commute or stay in area hotels. A special rate of \$99 per night has been arranged with the Comfort Inn at 90 Maine Mall Road, South Portland (207-775-0409). Participants should call the Inn and make their own reservations, mentioning that they are attending the MPA/Drummond Woodsum Finance Institute.

A continental breakfast, lunch, and breaks will be provided each day. Once registration has closed, participants will receive directions to Drummond Woodsum and other specific information. In the meantime, if you have any questions, please call Phyllis Deringis at the MPA at 622-0217.



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**Maine School Finance 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.

Agenda

Tuesday - Thursday, July 13-15

8:00-8:45 a.m.

Registration and Continental Breakfast

8:45 - 4:45 p.m.

Program and Lunch

Friday, July 16

8:00 - 8:45 a.m.

Continental Breakfast

8:45 - 3:00 p.m.

Program and Lunch

Institute Topics

- * Financing Public Education
- * Maine's Funding Law—Essential Programs and Services
- * Budget Development, Marketing, Management, and Control
- * Budget Approval, Collection of Revenues, and Special Budget Problems
 - * School Borrowing
 - * Collective Bargaining
 - * School Construction
- * Tax and Benefit Issues in School Employment
 - * Torts and Insurance
 - * Public Bidding
- * Special Topic: Update on Reorganization and Its Effects on School Finance

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 in advance, two papers—the first submitted prior to and the second following the institute—active class discussion and participation including individual and group presentations, and presentations by attorneys from Maine's premier school law practice as well as other specialists.

The institute is an intense and exciting learning experience for principals, superintendents, business managers, primary benefits persons, and others who are responsible for the business aspects of a local education agency. Because of the small class size and the nature of the format, the instructors will be available to continue discussions and talk informally with participants throughout the four-day period.

This institute has been approved by the Maine Department of Education to satisfy the school finance and budgeting requirement for all administrator certificates. This is an outstanding opportunity for those who need to satisfy that requirement or for those who may have taken Maine school finance 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 customized case readings.

Please note the edition of this text.

The appropriate texts and assigned topics for the two papers will be forwarded to each student during the week of May 17.

About the Institute...

Assignments, Readings, and Paper

By the first class, students will need to have read the assigned chapters and cases. In order to accomplish this, students will need to begin the readings well in advance of the first class. By July 6, a paper (5 page maximum, double spaced, conventional type) will be due on an assigned question based on specific chapters and cases.

Individual Presentations

During the class sessions, each student will present a five-minute oral argument on one side or the other of a legal decision from the customized materials.

Participation

Spirited class discussion and active small group participation are essential parts of this institute. Topic discussions will be interspersed with group assignments throughout the course.

Final Paper

A second paper (5 page maximum, double spaced, conventional type) will be due by August 2. Students will select a school finance/business topic of personal and professional interest. The instructors will approve and assist with the topic selection.

Grading

Grades will be based 40% on the papers and 60% on active class participation, including individual and group presentations.

Payment

Full payment is due by June 4. Please note that we do not accept purchase orders.

SPECIAL NOTE: The MPA and Drummond Woodsum offer the Maine School Finance Institute every other year. The next one will be held in July 2012.

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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:

\$1,175—includes \$900 tuition, \$125 for required texts (Maine School Law, 3rd ed. and customized case readings), and \$150 on-site 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:

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