

## Daniel W. Walker

Partner

Dan is a Partner and the Chair of Preti Flaherty's Government Affairs Group. He focuses his practice on advocating for clients before the Maine Legislature, the Executive Branch and other state and federal governmental agencies. Dan focuses his practice on regulatory issues, including election and campaign finance law, having represented many elected officials including a former Governor, PACs and campaigns. He represents the statewide association of private non-profit colleges and universities. He also represents the largest medical marijuana dispensary in Maine and has several gaming clients, including a Maine-based casino. Dan has extensive knowledge of the citizen initiative process, having taken clients successfully through this process to business formation.

Prior to joining Preti Flaherty, Dan served as Legal Counsel to the Speaker of the Maine House of Representatives, advising on constitutional, procedural and policy issues. He also completed two clerkships with Judges Gregory K. Orme and James Z. Davis of the Utah Court of Appeals, and formerly practiced as an associate with the litigation group of a Utah-based firm, where he represented Microsoft for two years in *Caldera v. Microsoft*, a private antitrust case.



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### Practice Areas

- Government Affairs
- Government Procurement
- Maine Legislative Team
- Election Law
- Administrative Law
- Education Law
- Hospitality
- Cannabis Business

### Education

- Dartmouth College (A.B., 1991)
  - Anthropology
- University of Maine School of Law (J.D., 1996)
  - Editor-in-Chief, Ocean and Coastal Law Journal

### Admissions

- Maine
- Utah

### Professional Affiliations

- Maine State Bar Association
- Board of Directors, New England Council

## Honors & Awards

- Selected by his peers for inclusion in Woodward/White's *Best Lawyers in America*

## Civic Involvement

- Leadership Maine, Pi Class, 2008-2009
- Center for Wellness Leadership, Board Member
- Advisory Board Member, Wolfe's Neck Farm
- Maine Coast Waldorf School, Board Member
- Freeport United Soccer Club, Board Member

## Publications/Presentations

- Published articles in the Portland Press Herald and the Media Law Resource Center Newsletter on Election Law and Media Law
- Presented Lecture on Medial Law for Lorman Seminars
- Presented Lectures on Maine Legislative and Lobbying Law for the University of Maine School of Law, the Maine State Bar Association and the Maine Association of Nonprofits

## Representative Matters

- **Counsel to** - State's largest medical marijuana dispensary, Maine casino, statewide association of private colleges and universities, statewide association of alpine and nordic ski areas, a nonprofit corporation representing the solid waste interests of 187 Maine municipalities, and the only freshwater island municipality in Maine.