



J. Andrew Cashman

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Andy is a Partner in Preti Flaherty's Government Affairs Group.

He represents a wide range of clients at every level of Maine government including the Maine Legislature, the Executive branch, and state agencies. His practice focuses on general business regulation and improving the regulatory climate for businesses. He represents a multinational brewery, a multinational education publisher and test assessment provider, a large statewide trade association, national medical companies and trade associations, and many others. He has been recognized twice by his peers for inclusion as a Rising Star in Lobbying by *Super Lawyers* and is listed in *The Best Lawyers in America*.

A former advisor to Governor John Baldacci and active in Maine politics for more than a decade, Andy has strong relationships with key decision makers at the State House and all levels of Maine government.

Prior to joining the firm, Andy worked for Preti Flaherty as a Summer Associate. Before attending the University of Maine School of Law, Andy worked for Governor John Baldacci as the Director of Boards and Commissions within the Office of the Governor. In this role, he was the primary advisor to Governor John Baldacci on thousands of appointments to hundreds of state boards and commissions. Andy also worked closely with members of the Maine House and Senate on hundreds of gubernatorial appointments requiring legislative confirmation.

A native of Washington State, Andy currently resides in Freeport, Maine with his wife Emily and their son.

Admissions

- Maine
- Massachusetts
- U.S. District Court, District of Maine
- U.S. Court of Appeals, First Circuit
- U.S. Court of Appeals, D.C. Circuit
- U.S. Supreme Court

Services

- [Government Affairs](#)
- [Health Law](#)
- [Maine Legislative Team](#)

Education

- University of Maine School of Law (J.D.)
- Bowdoin College (A.B.)

Professional Activities

- Director, Governing Council of Maine State Bar Association New Lawyers Section (2009 - 2010)
- Associate Member, State Government Affairs Council
- Member, American Health Law Association

Honors & Recognition

- *Super Lawyers*, Rising Star in Lobbying (2016 - 2020)
- *The Best Lawyers in America*, selected by his peers in Government Relations Practice (2019 - 2022)
- Graduate, State Government Affairs Council Professional Certificate Program
- Named a *New England Trailblazer* in Government Affairs by Connecticut Law Tribune, 2019

Civic and Charitable Activities

- Habitat for Humanity of Greater Portland, Board of Directors (2004 - 2009)
- Southern Midcoast Maine Chamber, Government Liaison Committee (2010 - 2012)
- Brunswick Democratic Town Committee, Chair (2011 - 2013)
- Member, Town of Brunswick Voter Registration Appeals Board (2011 - 2015)
- Maine Development Foundation, Leadership Maine, Allagash Class (2018 - 2019)

Representative Matters

- Legislative Counsel and Lobbyist - Represents numerous clients before the Maine Legislature, including Maine Association of Realtors (MAR) and ACLU Maine. Assisted with representing the Oxford Casino, the Maine Independent Colleges Association and the New England Convenience Store Association. He has also represented one of Maine's largest telecommunications companies.
- Legislative Regulatory Reform - Successfully lobbied on behalf of FairPoint Communications historic legislation updating Maine's decades-old public utility statutes by reforming the regulatory requirements of all telecommunications providers throughout the state.
- Recount Counsel - Served as recount counsel for a statewide recount of an initiative in support of a casino in Oxford County.
- Campaign Counsel - Served as Assistant State Counsel to the Obama-Biden presidential campaign in 2012 and as assistant counsel to the Maine Democratic Party.
- Business and Entrepreneur Counsel - Serves as general counsel to First Wave Media, the owner and operator of WCME 900 AM, a local news and talk radio station in Brunswick, Maine. Successfully advocated for a zoning change to allow the station to construct a 190' broadcast tower in Brunswick. Andy has represented many other businesses and entrepreneurs as they navigate the process of starting and operating their business.

Publications

July 21, 2021

Legislative Alert: Maine Legislature Adjourns!

January 8, 2021

Governor Janet Mills Releases Maine Supplemental and Biennial Budgets

December 11, 2020

Legislative Alert: Maine Legislators receive their upcoming committee assignments

December 4, 2020

Legislative Alert: First Week of the Legislative Session Update

November 12, 2020

Legislative Alert: House Democratic and Senate Republican Leadership Elections

November 6, 2020

Legislative Alert: Legislative Leadership Election Update

November 4, 2020

Legislative Alert: 2020 Election and State House Update

November 2, 2020

Legislative Alert: Governor Janet Mills Updates the Keep Maine Healthy Program

October 8, 2020

Legislative Alert: Governor Janet Mills' Stage 4 Announcement

August 21, 2020

Legislative Alert: Economic Recovery Grant Program Update

June 30, 2020

Legislative Alert: Governor's Economic Recovery Committee Update

June 6, 2020

Legislative Alert: Appropriations and Financial Affairs Committee Meeting Report

May 14, 2020

Maine Legislative Alert: Lodging reservations may begin immediately for June 1st stays

May 9, 2020

Maine Legislative Alert: Reopening and Other Updates

January 8, 2020

Gov. Janet Mills Releases Maine Supplemental and Biennial Budgets

May 1, 2019

Capitol Business

Maine REALTOR® Magazine

January 2, 2019
Capitol Business
Maine REALTOR® Magazine

December 13, 2018
Examining the Facets of the Legislative Process
State Government Affairs Council

September 1, 2018
Capitol Business
Maine REALTOR® Magazine

Summer 2018
Capitol Business
Maine REALTOR® Magazine

Spring 2018
Capitol Business
Maine REALTOR® Magazine

News

August 19, 2021
46 Preti Flaherty Attorneys Selected by Peers for Inclusion in Best Lawyers in America 2022, Including 3 “Lawyers of the Year”

October 13, 2020
Twenty-Two Preti Flaherty Attorneys Selected for Inclusion in 2020 Super Lawyers

August 20, 2020
46 Preti Flaherty Attorneys Selected by Peers for Inclusion in Best Lawyers in America 2021, Including 4 “Lawyers of the Year”

November 15, 2019
J. Andrew Cashman and Daniel W. Walker Named New England Trailblazers by Connecticut Law Tribune

October 17, 2019
Twenty-One Preti Flaherty Attorneys Selected for Inclusion in 2019 Super Lawyers

August 15, 2019
45 Preti Flaherty Attorneys Selected by Peers for Inclusion in Best Lawyers in America 2020, Including 3 “Lawyers of the Year”

October 18, 2018
Twenty-Three Preti Flaherty Attorneys Selected for Inclusion in 2018 Super Lawyers

August 15, 2018
45 Preti Flaherty Attorneys Selected by Peers for Inclusion in Best Lawyers in America 2019, Including 3 “Lawyers of the Year”

January 1, 2018
Preti Flaherty Promotes Attorneys R. Benjamin Borowski and J. Andrew Cashman to

Partner

December 20, 2017

Andy Cashman and Preti Legislative Team Selected to Lobby for Maine Association of REALTORS®

October 17, 2017

Nineteen Preti Flaherty attorneys selected for inclusion in 2017 Super Lawyers

October 21, 2016

17 Preti Flaherty Attorneys Recognized by Super Lawyers

March 24, 2014

Defeat of LD 1736 Clears Way for Maine's First Virtual Charter School

January 15, 2014

Town of Brunswick Selects Preti Flaherty as Legal Counsel

January 29, 2013

Andy Cashman Quoted in Press Herald Article on Dispute Between MRRA and Town of Brunswick

January 15, 2013

Andy Cashman and Preti Legislative Team Selected to Lobby for Town of Brunswick

Press Coverage

February 27, 2021

Sabattus Family's Bat Woes Prompt Bill To Force Real Estate Pest Disclosure

June 19, 2019

Owners must disclose if meth was made prior to property sale

June 11, 2019

Bill that could expand rural cellphone coverage signed by Mills

June 5, 2019

Preti Flaherty Attorney Helps Advance Historic Legislation

February 19, 2019

Mastraccio bills would address meth housing decontamination

February 11, 2019

Lawmakers consider bill to protect water quality of Maine lakes

December 21, 2017

Andy Cashman and Preti Legislative Team Selected to Lobby for Maine Association of REALTORS®

December 7, 2016

Preti Flaherty Attorneys from Midcoast recognized

January 16, 2016

Brunswick hires legal team to defend town control of former Navy base