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### **Bio**

Rick Shinay has devoted his entire professional career to the practice of real estate law and related areas. From 1981 to 1985, Rick was Branch Manager and State Counsel for the Portland, Maine office of Lawyers Title Insurance Corporation where he developed extensive expertise in real estate title and conveyancing matters and title insurance underwriting in a wide variety of commercial and residential transactions.

Since joining Drummond Woodsum in 1985, Rick has represented individuals and businesses, developers and lenders, as well as many of the firm's municipal and school clients, in all aspects of real estate law in connection with the acquisition, development, financing and sale of real estate.

In addition, Rick has particular expertise in the creation and operation of condominiums and planned unit developments and also provides assistance to clients seeking to preserve land through the use of conservation easements and other similar land preservation techniques.

Rick's prior work with Lawyers Title Insurance Corporation also provided him with unique skills in the area of title insurance matters and, in that regard, Rick serves as President of Classic Title Co., a wholly owned subsidiary of Drummond Woodsum, where he oversees the issuance of title insurance in residential and commercial transactions.

In recognition of his expertise and professionalism, Rick is listed in multiple publications including Best Lawyers in America, Chambers USA, and Martindale Hubbell.

### **Practice Areas**

Business & Corporate  
Environmental & Natural  
Resources  
Land Use & Conservation  
Real Estate  
Condominium & Community  
Associations

### **Admissions**

Maine

## **Education**

University of Maine School of Law, J.D., 1980

Boston College, A.B., 1977

## **Recognition**

Best Lawyers USA, Real Estate Law 2007-2025

Lawyer of the Year, Real Estate Law, Portland, ME (Awarded by Best Lawyers) 2017, 2024

Chambers & Partners, USA Guide, *Maine, Real Estate, Band 2*

New England Super Lawyers, Real Estate, Land Use/Zoning 2007-2010

Martindale Hubbell, AV Preeminent

## **Memberships**

Maine State Bar Association

Maine State Bar Association Title Standards Subcommittee of the Real Estate and Title Section

Cooperatives and Associations of Co-Owners, Real Property, Probate and Trust Law

American Bar Association Committee on Condominiums

American Land Title Association

New England Land Title Association

Maine Land Title Association

Maine Real Estate & Development Association (MEREDA) Legislative Committee

## **Community/Public Service**

Scarborough Long Range Planning Committee  
*Member*

Scarborough Economic Development Corporation  
*Board Member*

Scarborough Land Conservation Trust  
*Board Member and Former President*

South Portland Planning Board  
*Former Member and Chair*

Scarborough Planning Board  
*Former Member and Chair*

Scarborough Open Space Committee  
*Former Member and Co-Chair*

Scarborough Growth and Services Committee  
*Former Member and Co-Chair*

Scarborough Comprehensive Plan Revision Committee  
*Former Member and Chair*

Portland Stage Company  
*Former Trustee*