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## Bio

Robert P. Hayes is the leader of the firm's Medical Malpractice & Professional Liability practice. Rob is an experienced trial attorney who specializes in both civil and criminal defense work. Prior to joining the firm, Rob clerked for the Honorable Joseph M. Jabar of the Maine Supreme Judicial Court. Rob graduated with a Bachelor of Arts in Economics from the University of Maine in 2009. Thereafter, he attended the University of Maine School of Law, graduating magna cum laude in 2012. While in law school, Rob was Editor-in-Chief of the Maine Law Review and was awarded the Edward S. Godfrey Leadership Award for his contributions. He also earned the Pro Bono Publico Award for his volunteer legal advocacy, and worked as a student attorney at the Cumberland Legal Aid Clinic, representing criminal and civil clients in both state and federal court.

Rob has successfully engaged in a broad range of trials and hearings, representing healthcare professionals and institutions throughout the state of Maine in any forum in which they have found themselves. He practices frequently before Maine's Prelitigation Healthcare Screening Panel, and defends hospitals, physicians, nurses, and other healthcare providers in each of Maine's sixteen counties. He has successfully handled countless medical malpractice claims from initiation to verdict and/or resolution. Additionally, Rob successfully defends professionals before Maine's various licensing boards.

He has been recognized by New England Super Lawyers as a Rising Star; Best Lawyers "Ones to Watch"; and Chambers USA Maine Guide in the area of Litigation Medical Malpractice and Insurance Defense. Rob is a graduate of the Maine State Bar Association Leadership

## Practice Areas

Litigation  
Business & Commercial  
Litigation  
Civil Rights Defense  
Medical Malpractice &  
Professional Liability

## Admissions

Maine

Academy, and has served as a faculty member at the Maine College of Trial Advocacy.

In his free time, Rob enjoys playing hockey and spending time with his family.

## **Education**

University of Maine School of Law, J.D., 2012, *magna cum laude*

University of Maine, B.A., 2009

## **Recognition**

Benchmark Litigation, Litigation Star 2026

Best Lawyers, “Ones to Watch” in Commercial Litigation, Criminal Defense: General Practice, and Medical Malpractice Law – Defendants

Super Lawyers, Rising Star 2024-2025

Chambers & Partners, USA Guide, *Maine, Litigation: Medical Malpractice & Insurance Defense, Band 2*

## **Memberships**

Maine State Bar Association

Northern New England Society of Hospital Risk Management

Maine Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers

## **Judicial Clerkships**

Hon. Joseph M. Jabar, Maine Supreme Judicial Court