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Bio

As a member of the firm's Employment and Labor and School Law practice groups, Blake McCartney works with public and private employers, advising them on all aspects of employment and labor law. Blake is passionate about helping clients solve people-centered issues. She brings an empathetic approach to her practice, allowing her to anticipate client needs and concerns and proactively address potential conflicts.

While in law school, Blake served as the Editor-in-Chief of the Maine Law Review. She also worked as a student attorney at the University's Refugee and Human Rights Clinic. She completed a Federal judicial externship and served as a law Clerk for Chief Justice Valerie Stanfill of the Maine Supreme Judicial Court.

Blake stays active in her free time; mountain biking, running, and skiing are just a few of her favorite activities. She also enjoys spending time with her husband, family, and friends and exploring Portland's trail system with her Portuguese Water Dog, Stevie.

Education

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

Colby College, B.S. Biology

Awards & Recognition

Practice Areas

Employment & Labor
School & Education
School Employment

Admissions

Maine

Maine Law Foundation Alumni Award

Publications

A Case Against School Choice: Carson Ex Rel. O.C. v. Makin and the Future of Maine's Nonsectarian Requirement (Volume 73.2 of the Maine Law Review)

Memberships

Maine State Bar Association

Community/ Public Service

Justice Andrew M. Mead Fellowship for Pro Bono Service with the Maine Volunteer Lawyers Project, 2024