January 28, 2020

The Honorable Michael Carpenter, Senate Chair
The Honorable Donna Bailey, House Chair
Joint Standing Committee on Judiciary
100 State House Station
Augusta, ME 04333-0100

Dear Senator Carpenter and Representative Bailey:

On behalf of the Maine State Bar Association and its members, I am pleased to inform you that the Association fully supports the nomination of Justice Roland A. Cole to the Maine Superior Court as an Active Retired Justice.

The MSBA sends surveys to all practicing lawyers in Maine to evaluate trial court judges in the sixth year of every judge's term. These evaluations are used to determine the Association's support of or opposition to the nomination of a judge and, in turn, to make recommendations on nomination to the Governor and the Judiciary Committee.

The results of Justice Cole's evaluation show that Maine lawyers find him to be intelligent and thoughtful, yet decisive and practical. He is also described as compassionate, respectful, fair, and always prepared. Justice Cole is commended for his knowledge of substantive law, and all those that come before him appreciate his balanced approach and experience in the courtroom. Many attorneys value his ability to run a tight, efficient, and controlled courtroom. These traits have earned Justice Cole the support and respect of MSBA members. Maine citizens will benefit from his continued service on the Maine Superior Court as an Active Retired Justice.

The Maine State Bar Association urges the Judiciary Committee to give its unanimous support to the nomination of Justice Roland A. Cole to the Maine Superior Court.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus V. Day
President
January 28, 2020

The Honorable Michael Carpenter, Senate Chair  
The Honorable Donna Bailey, House Chair  
Joint Standing Committee on Judiciary  
100 State House Station  
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Dear Senator Carpenter and Representative Bailey:

On behalf of the Maine State Bar Association and its members, I am pleased to inform you that the Association fully supports the nomination of Justice Nancy Mills to the Maine Superior Court as an Active Retired Justice.

The MSBA sends surveys to all practicing lawyers in Maine to evaluate trial court judges in the sixth year of every judge’s term. These evaluations are used to determine the Association’s support of or opposition to the nomination of a judge and, in turn, to make recommendations on nomination to the Governor and the Judiciary Committee.

In Justice Mills’ evaluations, attorneys describe her as incredibly bright, thoroughly prepared, and exceedingly diligent. She is also found to be fair, decisive, hard-working, and thoughtful in her decisions. Justice Mills is commended for her superb control of the courtroom and the efficiency in which she runs it. Attorneys state that no matter her ruling, they know that all parties were treated fairly and their issues were heard. These traits have earned Justice Mills the support and respect of MSBA members. Maine citizens will benefit from her continued service on the Maine Superior Court as an Active Retired Justice.

The Maine State Bar Association urges the Judiciary Committee to give its unanimous support to the nomination of Justice Nancy Mills to the Maine Superior Court.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus V. Day  
President
January 30, 2020

The Honorable Michael Carpenter, Senate Chair  
The Honorable Donna Bailey, House Chair  
Joint Standing Committee on Judiciary  
100 State House Station  
Augusta, ME 04333-0100

Dear Senator Carpenter and Representative Bailey:

On behalf of the Maine State Bar Association and its members, I am pleased to inform you that the Association fully supports the nomination of Justice Andrew Mark Horton to the Maine Supreme Court.

The MSBA sends surveys to all practicing lawyers in Maine to evaluate trial court judges in the sixth year of every judge's term. These evaluations are used to determine the Association's support of or opposition to the nomination of a judge and, in turn, to make recommendations on nomination to the Governor and the Judiciary Committee.

Maine attorneys find Justice Horton to be thoughtful, well-mannered, and hard-working. They consider him to be diligent, and believe that he makes earnest efforts to be just and fair to all who appear before him. Lawyers also describe him as articulate, patient, well-prepared, compassionate, and personable. Justice Horton is commended for his strong substantive knowledge, and his analytical and writing skills. All those that come before him appreciate his respectful judicial temperament and demeanor. These traits have earned Justice Horton the support and respect of MSBA members. Maine citizens will benefit from his service on the Maine Supreme Court.

The Maine State Bar Association urges the Judiciary Committee to give its unanimous support to the nomination of Justice Andrew Mark Horton to the Maine Supreme Court.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus V. Day  
President