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Russell Pierce counsels and represents businesses, non-profit organizations, and individuals in a broad civil litigation practice throughout the state of Maine and in the First Circuit Court of Appeals. Individuals and businesses from other states also often turn to Russ for handling this broad range of cases – matters such as class actions, complex business litigation, professional negligence and malpractice defense, tort and contract law, property rights, product liability, constitutional law and civil rights, First Amendment rights and defamation claims, and environmental and conservation law. He currently represents one of Maine's leading environmental organizations.

In providing legal counsel to diverse clients in matters both straightforward and complex for nearly 30 years, Russ has participated in the determination of a number of legal issues that have shaped the course of law in Maine. Throughout his career, Russ has been engaged in the field of alternative dispute resolution, representing clients in private arbitrations or performing the role of arbitrator. He is also available to convene mediations in virtually any type of civil action.

Russ has written numerous articles and often lectures on a broad range of legal topics, including the topic of attorney ethics and professional responsibility.

Education

- University of Maine School of Law, J.D., *magna cum laude*, 1991
- Brown University, B.A., 1987

Practice Areas

Alternative Dispute Resolution
Attorney and Professional Liability
Commercial Litigation
Insurance Defense Litigation
Intellectual Property and Internet Law
Products Liability
Trials and Litigation

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Affiliations

Admitted to Practice

- State of Maine
- U.S. District Court, District of Maine
- U.S. Court of Appeals, First Circuit
- U.S. Supreme Court
- U.S. Court of Appeals, District of Columbia

Member, Past and Present

- Maine State Bar Association, Member
- Cumberland County Bar Association, Member
- American Bar Association, Member

Selected Reported Cases

- *Steamship Navigation Company v. Camden National Bank*, 2006 ME 11, 889 A.2d 1014.
- *Hale v. Antoniou*, 2003 ME 52, 820 A.2d 586.
- *County Forest Products, Inc. v. Green Mountain Agency, Inc., et al.,* 2000 ME 161, 758 A.2d 59.
- *Acadia Insurance Co. v. Buck Construction Co.*, 2000 ME 154, 756 A.2d 515.
- *Todd v. Andalkar*, 1997 ME 59, 691 A.2d 1215.

Awards, Merits & Honors

- Recognition as “Lawyer of the Year” *Best Lawyers in America* 2014
- Ranked by *Chambers & Partners* in 2013-2017, specially mentioned as a “Key Individual” by *Chambers & Partners* for 2013
- Selected to New England Super Lawyers Civil Litigation Defense (2015-2023)
- 2020 “Lawyer of the Year” *Best Lawyers* – Product Liability Litigation (Defendants)
- 2022 “Lawyer of the Year” *Best Lawyers* – Appellate Practice
- Recognized by *Best Lawyers in America* – Appellate Practice, Commercial Litigation, Ethics and Professional Responsibility Law, Product Liability Litigation (Defendants), Professional Malpractice Law (Defendants) (2012-2024)
- *Chambers & Partners* Ranked Lawyer Distinction General Commercial 2023

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