

Chief Andrew Booth

Chief Andrew Booth has been with the Bath Police Department for 22 years, having served in both patrol and criminal investigations, promoted through the ranks until being named Chief in 2021. He has served as the department's crash reconstructionist, evidence and property manager, training officer, public information officer, and accreditation manager. He currently has administrative and management roles and responsibilities typically associated with a Chief of Police, including serving on a variety of City and community groups and committees, many of these focused on issues affecting older Mainers (Bath Brunswick Resource Coalition and Merrymeeting Bay Area TRIAD organization). He is a member of the Maine Chiefs of Police Association (MCOPA) and the International Association of Chiefs of Police (IACP). He received his law enforcement executive certification from the Maine Criminal Justice Academy in 2022 and completed the FBI-LEEDA trilogy course in 2023. He currently serves as the co-chair on the Maine Council for Elder Abuse Prevention (MCEAP) and sits on MCEAP's Education and Awareness sub-committee.

Chief Booth is a graduate of St. Michael's College in Vermont, where he received a bachelor's degree in history and a minor in business administration. In addition to his civilian career, he served 24 years in the VT Army National Guard, retiring in 2022 as a Lieutenant Colonel, Infantry, with an additional specialty in Information Operations. He is a veteran of two combat deployments to Afghanistan, a graduate of the Army's Command and General Staff College, and has held multiple command and staff positions throughout his Army career.

Brian Day, LSW

Brian Day is Acting Associate Director of Adult Protective Services in the Maine Office of Aging and Disability Services where he manages the Adult Protective and Public Guardianship programs for the State. In addition, Brian is an adjunct instructor at the University of Maine at Presque Isle as well as a Paid-Call Firefighter with the Presque Isle Fire Department. Brian graduated summa cum laude from University of Maine at Presque Isle with a Bachelors of Social Work and recently earned a Certificate of Graduate Study in Public and Nonprofit Management from Muskie School of Public Service.

Stuart Lewis, MD, FACP

Dr. Lewis is an Associate Professor of Medicine in the Section of General Internal Medicine and Geriatrics at the Geisel School of Medicine at Dartmouth and the Medical Director of the Cedar Hill Continuing Care Community, a skilled nursing and long-term care facility. He is a member of New Hampshire's Incapacitated and Vulnerable Adult Fatality Review Committee as well as a member of its executive committee. His primary research focus is on how to prevent the mistreatment or abuse of older adults for which he has received funding from the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation, the Administration for Community Living and other private foundations. He is a Co-Founder of RISE (Community-Based Response Program for Older Adults At-Risk of or Experiencing Mistreatment) which is now a state funded program throughout Maine, and is being replicated in New Hampshire, Montana, and Ottawa, Canada. Dr. Lewis received his undergraduate and medical degrees from Columbia University and trained in internal medicine at Bellevue/NYU. His writings on medicine have appeared in literary journals, The Guardian, The New York Review of Books, and others.

Danielle Malcolm

Danielle Malcolm is the Home Care Program Manager for the Maine Long-Term Care Ombudsman Program (LTCOP). LTCOP represents the interest of home care consumers facing barriers to access or quality of home care services. For the past 11 years, Danielle has been promoting and protecting the rights, dignity, and quality of life for Mainer's accessing long-term care services at home. Danielle focuses on systemic advocacy by participating in multiple LTC stakeholder groups across the state, including chairing the Tri-county Elder Abuse Task Force, as well as the Acquired Brain Injury Advisory Council legislative sub-committee. Danielle has her Bachelor's Degree from the University of Maine and her Masters in Social Work from the University of New England.

Nicole Marchesi

Nicole Marchesi currently serves as the Project Manager for the Direct Care and Support Professional Advisory Council. The Council is the first of its kind in Maine, bringing together direct care and support professionals from across the state representing all long-term care settings. The Council represents the diversity of the essential workforce. The Council brings these professionals together to create a strong collective voice on workforce issues. Prior to the establishment of the council, Nicole serviced as both Volunteer Program Manager and Regional Ombudsman for the Maine Long-Term Care Ombudsman Program. Additionally, Nicole served as the co-chair for both the Augusta Elder Abuse Task Force and Tri-county Elder Abuse Task Force. Currently, Nicole serves as the secretary of the Maine Council for Elder Abuse Prevention.

Andrew McCormack

Andrew McCormack is a graduate of the New York University School of Law. After several years in private practice in Washington, DC, he joined the Department of Justice's Child Exploitation and Obscenity Section where he prosecuted child exploitation cases throughout the country. In 2012, he joined the United States Attorney's Office for the District of Maine as an Assistant United States Attorney. In that capacity, he has prosecuted a wide variety of cases including firearms, narcotics, child exploitation and white collar crimes. In 2017, the Department of Justice launched the Elder Justice Initiative to support and coordinate the Department's enforcement and programmatic efforts to combat elder abuse, neglect and financial fraud and scams that target our nation's older adults. In 2018, as part of this initiative, Andrew was named the Elder Justice Coordinator for the U.S. Attorney's Office for Maine. In that capacity, he (1) serves as the legal counsel for the federal judicial district on matters relating to elder abuse; (2) prosecutes elder abuse cases; and (3) conducts public outreach and awareness activities relating to elder abuse.

Dana Morrell

Dana Morrell is currently the Community Services Supervisor at SeniorsPlus. She started with the agency in August of 1997 as a Care Coordinator for EIM. She took a six-month hiatus in 2020 to do case management at Westside Neurorehab, but wanted to return to working with older adults and those with disabilities. She has a passion for learning about and working with those who have dementia and enjoys teaching dementia related classes and running a support group at SeniorsPlus. Dana is part of the Auburn Age Friendly Committee and is part of the Maine Council on Elder Abuse Prevention which allows her another passion of advocating for our older adults.

Mark Rucci

Mark Rucci is a 2016 graduate of the University of Maine School of Law. He has been an Assistant District Attorney with the Penobscot County District Attorney's Office since March of 2017 and has served as the Deputy District Attorney for the office since 2019. In that capacity, he has prosecuted a multitude of State misdemeanor and felony crimes, ranging from operating without a license to attempted murder. He also serves as the Chief Appellate Attorney for the office, handling most appeals and post-conviction review petitions. As Deputy District Attorney, he oversees the day-to-day management of the office, including coordinating court assignments and supervising the office's attorneys. His caseload includes crimes involving elder abuse and exploitation, and he serves as the office's screener for referrals made to Adult Protective Services. In his free time, Mark enjoys studying the Spanish language, being in the outdoors, and spending time with his wife, four children, two dogs, and multiple reptiles.

Suzanne Russell

Suzanne Russell is a 1989 graduate of Vermont Law School. After graduation, she returned to Aroostook County where she was raised, and started her career in family law, real estate, and probate law. In 1991, she joined the Aroostook County DA's office where she prosecuted all levels of crime until 2007. In 2007, she was hired by Legal Services for the Elderly as a rural litigation attorney for Aroostook and Washington counties. After a move to the Bangor area, she was in private practice from 2010 to 2015 where she specialized in family law which included probate court practice. In 2015, she returned to criminal prosecution when she was hired by the Kennebec County DA to prosecute elder financial and physical abuse cases. She continued this specialty as well as felony level domestic violence prosecution in Penobscot County until 2020. In 2020, she was hired by the Maine Attorney General's office as the designated Elder Financial Abuse Prosecutor. In this capacity, Suzanne prosecutes multicounty/complicated elder financial abuse matters and reviews and prosecutes murder/manslaughter cases involving elder abuse. She is the AG representative for the Elder Justice Coordinating Partnership.

Judith Shaw

Judith Shaw served as the Securities Administrator for the State of Maine Office of Securities from 2008 until her retirement in 2022. During her tenure, she served as the co-chair of the Maine Council for Elder Abuse Prevention and as Public Sector Co-chair of the Elder Abuse Coordinating Partnership.

Lauren Wille

Lauren Wille is the co-Legal Director of Disability Rights Maine and works primarily with DRM's Developmental Disabilities team. Prior to joining DRM in 2017, Lauren worked in a small law office in Portland doing indigent criminal defense, as a parent's attorney in child protective matters, and state and federal appeals. At DRM, Lauren's work involves promoting the civil rights of individuals with disabilities, including working on reforming the system of adult guardianship. She has worked to increase awareness of alternatives to guardianship that promote self-determination, such as Supported Decision-Making.