

Agenda

Maine and New Hampshire: “Looking Beyond the Shipyard”

Finding the Common Ground to Advance our Regional Economy

Tuesday, September 12, 2006

- 8:00 am Registration
- 8:30 Welcome - Maine Governor John Baldacci
Governor John Lynch will join us during the session, as his Primary Day schedule allows
- 8:50 Presentation on “Economic Development Challenges and Opportunities in Southern Maine and Seacoast New Hampshire”

Professor Charles Colgan, University of Southern Maine and
Professor Ross Gittell, University of New Hampshire
- 9:50 Former Maine Governor Angus King -
“The Importance of Regionalism”
- 10:15 Break
- 10:30 Breakout Sessions – Summit participants will re-convene in smaller groups to share ideas. Breakout room assignments to be announced at start of day
- 11:30 Lunch / Networking
- 12:15 pm Keynote Address – Neal Peirce, Author, Nationally Syndicated Columnist, Chairman of the Citistates Group
- 1:00 “Finding Common Ground” – Summit Organizers will wrap-up the day’s discussion and address our “next steps”
- 1:30 Closing Remarks

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Of Counsel

Former two-term governor of Maine, Angus S. King joined Bernstein Shur in January 2004 and primarily concentrates on providing strategic and legal advice to the firm's business clients.

Born in Alexandria, Virginia, Angus began his career in 1969 as a staff attorney for Pine Tree Legal Assistance in Skowhegan, Maine and became Chief Counsel in 1973 to the U.S. Senate Subcommittee on Alcoholism and Narcotics in the office of then-Senator William D. Hathaway.

Gov. King returned to private practice law in 1975 with the firm of Smith, Loyd and King in Brunswick, Maine. In the same year, he began his eighteen-year career as host and co-producer of public affairs programming on Maine Public Broadcasting Network. During this time he hosted a weekly McNeil-Lehrer type program, which featured public issue discussions, candidate debates, and special productions. In addition to local and state officials and private sector leaders, his guests during this period included Ed Muskie, George Mitchell, Malcolm Forbes, Margaret Chase Smith, William F. Buckley, David Broder, and others.

In 1983, Governor King became Vice President and General Counsel of Swift River/Hafslund Company, an alternative energy development company based in Portland and Boston. In 1989, he founded and served as President of Northeast Energy Management, Inc., a developer of large-scale energy conservation projects at commercial and industrial facilities in central and southern Maine. He sold this business in 1994.

Gov. King was elected Maine's 71st Governor in 1994 and was reelected in 1998 by one of the largest margins of victory in the state's history. He was one of only two independent governors in the country. During his term in office, the state's corrections and mental health systems were substantially rebuilt (both in terms of program and infrastructure); major improvements were made in the state's service capability, including on-line services; and the state dramatically increased its commitment to research and development. Significant reductions were made to a variety of state taxes. Additionally, as governor, he oversaw the largest increase of lands in conservation in the state's history and started the nationally recognized program to provide laptop computers to every seventh and eighth grade student in the state—regardless of location or family income—with a goal of making Maine's students the most computer literate in the world.

In addition to his responsibilities at Bernstein Shur, Governor King is a member of several profit and non-profit boards and commissions, teaches part-time at Bowdoin College, and was recently a Visiting Fellow at the Institute of Politics at the Kennedy School of Government at Harvard University.

Governor King is married to Mary J. Herman and is the father of four sons: Angus III, Duncan, James, and Benjamin, and a daughter, Molly.

Neal Peirce

Chairman, The Citistates Group

Neal Peirce is a foremost writer, among American journalists, on metropolitan regions — their political and economic dynamics, their emerging national and global roles. With Curtis Johnson, he has co-authored the [Peirce Reports](#) (now called [Citistates Reports](#)) on compelling issues of metropolitan futures for leading media in more than 20 regions across the nation. Reports of recent years include *Boston Unbound*, released in May 2004, a report on the San Diego-Tijuana citistate area for *San Diego Magazine*, South Florida for the *Miami Herald*, *El Nuevo Herald* and the Fort Lauderdale *Sun-Sentinel*, Kansas City for the *Kansas City Star*, and South Texas for the *San Antonio Express-News*.

In 2004-2006, Peirce took a lead role in conceptualizing and launching the [New England Futures Project](#), starting with a [six-part monthly Peirce-Johnson series](#) -- printed by 27 newspapers -- focused on how that historic six-state region deals with its 21st century energy, transportation, growth, higher education, broadband and health challenges.

In 1975, Peirce began — and continues today — the United States' first national column focused on state and local government themes. Syndication is by the Washington Post Writers Group. His 10-book series on America's states and regions culminated in *The Book of America: Inside 50 States Today* (W.W. Norton, 1983). His more recent books were *Citistates: How Urban America Can Prosper in a Competitive World*, and *Breakthroughs: Recreating The American City*.

Peirce was one of the founders and then a contributing editor of *National Journal*, and was active in the '60s as political editor of *Congressional Quarterly*. He was a member of the National Civic League's executive committee from the early 1970s to 1995 and was one of the founders and co-chair of the National Academy of Public Administration's Alliance for Redesigning Government.

Known widely as a lecturer on regional, urban, federal system and community development issues, Peirce has been a familiar figure before civic, business, academic and professional groups nationally. He has appeared on Meet the Press, the Today Show, National Public Radio and local media across the country.

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“Advancing the Regional Economy”

Breakout Session

1. What is your reaction to this morning’s presentation?

Do you agree with the findings?

Are there other factors that should be considered for this discussion?

2. How can these issues be addressed as a bi-state region?

What specific actions do you think need to be taken?

3. What ideas expressed today inspire you to action?

Your ideas are important to us. Please complete this questionnaire and return to CONFERENCE ORGANIZERS or return to the REGISTRATION DESK. This information will be used as a basis for our “next steps”