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HALLOWELL, Maine. Sarah Ruef-Lindquist has been named President of the Board of the Maine Bar Foundation (MBF) for the year 2010.

Founded in 1983, MBF serves Maine's communities and the legal professional through its administration of the Interest on Lawyer Trust Accounts ("IOLTA") Program and other public-service law related activities. MBF funds [Pine Tree Legal Services](#), the Volunteer Lawyers Project, Immigrant Legal Advocacy Project, Maine Equal Justice Partners, Legal Services for the Elderly, the Cumberland Legal Aid Clinic and has also provided funding to other non-profit organizations working to increase access to justice for those in poverty in Maine.

The Maine Bar Foundation has provided leadership and administrative support to one of the most successful fundraising initiatives amongst lawyers and the judiciary in the United States: Now in its 6th year, the [Campaign for Justice](#) raises more funds from lawyers and the judiciary in Maine for legal services than all but one other state, raising over \$400,000 in each of the years 2008 and in 2009 to support access to justice.

Ruef-Lindquist, a member of the Foundation Board since 2003, has served as Development Chair, Finance Chair, Investment Committee Chair and Treasurer. She also serves on the board of the Maine Philanthropy Center. She also serves on the Development Committee of Franklin Pierce Law Center, and has served on numerous boards of Maine and New Hampshire non-profits. She is a frequent writer and speaker on the topic of trust, estate and charitable planning, and is Senior Consultant and founder of Planning for Good, www.planningforgood.net providing gift planning support services to non-profits.

The [Maine Bar Foundation](#)'s offices are located at 40 Water Street, Hallowell.