

Please let me introduce myself. My name is Dwayne Young and I am the Clerk in Weston and Orient, Maine. I have been in the clerk profession since 2010, starting in Lubec as a Deputy Clerk and then in 2013 to Weston as the Clerk. I also served as interim Clerk in Haynesville for almost a year.

The mission of the Maine Town and City Clerks' Association is to increase the proficiency of Municipal Clerks, to strengthen the quality of local government through professionalism and to promote the importance of the office of the Municipal Clerk through recognition of its' members and their achievements.

We are a strong association with over 900 members across the state of Maine. In recent years, the number of members new to the profession has increased significantly. Education is a top priority of the association, but the many experienced Clerks we have are also an invaluable asset to those that are new. If you are not an MTCCA member, I would encourage you to join, the benefits and opportunities are numerous.

We have approximately 20 working groups and committees within our association led by some of our most experienced and dedicated members. They volunteer their time to provide the members with educational opportunities, to promote the profession, to keep us informed, to advocate for us at multiple levels, to recognize our achievements, and so much more. Please consider serving on a committee or a working group. We'll do our best to find a place for you. You never know where it might lead you or what you will gain from it.

I have been a member since 2013, started on the Legislative Policy Committee and moved up to the Executive Board in 2022. It has been a tremendous experience full of learning, personal growth and relationships. I never considered being a Municipal Clerk in my plan for life, but circumstances put me somewhere that someone saw potential and took a chance. I'd like to thank Betty Case, the Clerk in Lubec at that time; I wouldn't be where I am now if it wasn't for her. Those are the types of relationships that I speak about that come from this association.

Finally, thank you for trusting me in the role as President of the association, it is an honor to serve the true gatekeepers of our communities. Please feel free to reach out at any time to 448-2316 or at [townofwestonmaine@gmail.com](mailto:townofwestonmaine@gmail.com).

Sincerely,

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