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Andrea Cianchette Maker leads Maine law firm Pierce Atwood LLP's government relations group. She represents the Maine Pulp and Paper Association as well as the Maine Real Estate and Development Association. Maker's father is Chuck Cianchette, one of the founders of Cianbro, Inc., and at an early age, she was immersed in business and politics and has spent her career advocating for responsible business growth in the state. She was an architect of Project Login, a computer science workforce development action. Her capstone project is FocusMaine, which was launched publicly this year to boost the state's economy over the next decade. The private-sector led initiative brings together leaders from Maine's business, academic, government world, to identify and develop strategies to boost three industries identified by the group as having high potential for growth: agriculture, aquaculture, and biopharmaceuticals. Maker says the leadership team is committed to overseeing the project for ten years. "The resources committed to FocusMaine to strengthen and grow Maine's economy speaks volumes to the hope FocusMaine offers our state," says Maker. "This initiative is powered by passion and I am inspired every day by the belief people have that Maine can and will do better."

