

Resume of **SCOTT W. COWGER, P.E.**

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----- **EDUCATION** -----

SWARTHMORE COLLEGE, Swarthmore, Pennsylvania. B.S. degree in Civil/Environmental Engineering awarded June 1982.

BRUNSWICK (Maine) HIGH SCHOOL. High Honors, Varsity letter for State championship math team, voted "Contributed Most to the Class of 1978."

UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN MAINE CENTER FOR ENGINEERING STUDIES, Some graduate engineering courses.

----- **AWARDS AND AFFILIATIONS** -----

Maine Legislature: Appointments and Activities (1996-2006)

- Joint Standing Committees on Natural Resources (Senate and House Chair), Utilities and Energy, Appropriations and Financial Affairs, and Agriculture, Conservation, and Forestry. Joint Select Committee on Research and Development (House Chair). (Not all concurrent appointments.)
- Task Force to Develop a Single Payment System for State and Federal Taxes for Small Businesses (Chair), Mercury Products Advisory Committee (Co-Chair), Task Force to Study the Improvement of Public Water Supply Protection (House Chair), Task Force to Study the Impact of Sprawl, Task Force to Study the Improvement of Public Water Supply Protection (House Chair), Task Force to Study the Operation of and Support for the Board of Environmental Protection.
- Selected to participate in Leadership Maine, a 9 month professional development program for 40 promising statewide leaders.
- Rated "Best State Representative" by 1997 *Maine Times* readers poll.

Current Memberships, Affiliations, and Awards

- Maine Innkeepers Association Board of Directors, currently Legislative Committee Chair, incoming Second Vice Chair. Maine Innkeepers Association "Innkeeper of the Year" (2009) and "Special Service Award" (2003).
- Maine Tourism Association, Kennebec Valley Chamber of Commerce (President's Award, 2014), Hallowell Area Board of Trade, American Hotel and Lodging Association, Maine Tourism Association "Regional Award" (2003).
- American Lung Association in Maine Leadership Board Member, Snow Pond Arts Academy Founders Council.

Past Memberships and Affiliations:

- Maine Tourism Association Board of Directors (Chair), Maine Farm Vacation Association (President), Hallowell Area Board of Trade (President).
- Kennebec Valley Tourism Council (former Steering Committee member), New England Innkeepers Association, Maine Nordic Ski Council.
- Pine Tree State Arboretum Board Member, Maine Aids Alliance Board Member, Mainewatch Board of Directors, Kennebec Land Trust Advisory Board Member, Theater at Monmouth Advisory Board Member, Gaslight Theater Advisory Board Member.

Professional Engineer (PE) Certification - Maine, since 1989. Currently Active.

Licensed Code Enforcement Officer for Building Inspection – Maine, 1993 to 1996.

----- **PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE** -----

✓ **POLITICS**

Dec. 2004 – Dec. 2006. **State Senator**, 122nd Maine State Legislature, for Senate District 21 (11 communities in Kennebec County). Elected by diverse district with goals of assisting small businesses, providing property tax relief, and protecting our environment.

Dec. 1996 – Dec. 2004. **State Representative**, 118th, 119th, 120th, and 121st Maine State Legislatures, for House District 92 which included Chelsea, Hallowell, Pittston, and Randolph. Elected by diverse district for the maximum 4 consecutive terms. Won first term by only 26 votes, then subsequently re-elected with 72% of the votes cast in 2nd term, no opponent in 3rd term, and 61% in 4th term.

✓ **SMALL BUSINESS, HOSPITALITY and TOURISM**

May 1992 - present. Co-Owner and Innkeeper, **Maple Hill Farm Inn and Conference Center**, Hallowell, Maine. President, Maple Hill Farm, Inc. Purchased defunct business at auction and turned into successful full service Inn and Conference Center in the Augusta area, having greatly expanded the facilities over the years. Awarded "Best bed and breakfast hands down" by the 1997 *Maine Times* readers survey, One of "30 Great U.S. Inns" by June 2002 *Travel+Leisure*, an "Editor's Pick" in the 2002, 2003, and 2011 *Yankee Magazine's Travel Guide to New England*, a *Downeast Magazine* "Readers' Choice" in 2012, and *Greater Augusta's Best Bed & Breakfast* by Market Surveys of America for nine years running 2007 to 2015. Designed and maintained successful web site at www.MapleBB.com. Maple Hill Farm was recognized as Maine's First "Environmental Leader" green lodging in 2005, and has incorporated large wind and solar power systems as well as numerous other "green" practices, including an inn-wide LED lighting project in 2013. Platinum Level certification from TripAdvisor's GreenLeaders Program in 2013, and "Best Green B&B" by Yankee Magazine in 2011.

High school and college jobs included Busboy/Waiter & Bellman at **Sebasco Lodge**, *Sebasco Estates, Maine*, Tourism Information Booth Operator for the **Brunswick (Maine) Chamber of Commerce**, **Bartender & Free-Lance Photographer**. Attended New England Music Camp in 1973.

✓ **PUBLIC SERVICE**

Dec. 2006 – Sept. 2008. Director of Outreach and Communications, **Maine Department of Environmental Protection**. Spokesperson for the Department, managed all legislative affairs, and directed education and outreach activities for the entire agency.

✓ **ENGINEERING**

May 1996 - Present. *Self-employed* as Consulting Engineer developing site and subdivision plans, road designs, and stormwater and erosion control plans.

Winter 1995-96. Acting Town Planner for **Town of Cumberland (Maine)**. Filled in for temporary needs created by maternity leave of Town Planner. Facilitated plan review and approval of projects by Planning Board.

Feb. 1993 - Mar. 1994 and Winter 1994-95. Environmental Engineer for **Maine Department of Environmental Protection**. Non-regulatory role of developing and disseminating Best Management Practices information and technical assistance to minimize the effects of nonpoint source pollution. Editor of *Stormwater Management for Maine: Best Management Practices*.

Mar. 1990 - Feb. 1993. Town Engineer for **Town of Cumberland (Maine)**. Department head position. Diverse responsibilities ranging from planning board reviews, infrastructure construction inspection, project design and management, and environmental permitting.

Oct. 1983 - Mar. 1990. Increasingly responsible roles at Maine engineering & surveying firms as well as municipal governments.

Dec. 1982 - Oct. 1983. Government Materials Specialist for **Bath (Maine) Iron Works**. Expedited schedules and materials delivery.

✓ **PERSONAL PLEASURES**

Enjoys running including the occasional 5K or 10K race, recreational bicycling (One of only 2 cyclists to have ridden all 31 consecutive years of the annual Trek Across Maine which benefits the American Lung Association of the Northeast), hiking (with plans to conquer the entire Appalachian Trail), bird watching, fishing, working in the woods with a chainsaw, designing and building (or renovating) human structures.

Personal and Professional References are Available upon Request.