
Summary

Experienced in all aspects of ship ownership, operations, compliance and risk management. Australian legal qualification with extensive litigation practice in hull, cargo, P&I and insurance work. Passed the NY Bar exam, awaiting admission. Extensive computer skills in data management and reporting software. Strong strategic thinker and team builder.

Areas of Expertise

- ALL marine claims – hull, P&I, crew, war, cargo – from perspective of ship owner, cargo owner, underwriter, broker and attorney
 - Compliance – ISM, ISPS, PSC, Class, Flag
 - Ship Operations – purchasing, logistics, repairs, dry-docking
 - Risk management and claims prevention – internal and external audits, manuals and documentation
 - Claims – reporting, advocating, settling, litigating – including arbitration & mediation, litigation management and briefing attorneys
 - Insurance Broker – all marine placements, including renewals, negotiation of claims records, wordings, coverage review and marketing. Also non-marine insurances – E&O, D&O, P&C
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Work Experience

Apex Marine Ship Management Co, LLC 2004-2006

Risk Manager

Responsible for all marine and non-marine insurances and claims for ship owner / charterer.

Compliance – liaison with Class / Flag on compliance requirements – port state control, pollution, safety, certification

COFRs, electronic reporting, US Coast Guard requirements

Crew – employment contracts, ITF, training, repatriation, injuries & illness

Chartering – draft / interpret charterparties, FD&D claims, charter disputes

Documentation – ISM manuals, SOPEP, reporting forms, class / flag audit preparations

Purchasing - spares, consumables, repairs & maintenance, dry-dock requirements & planning, provisioning, delivery, compliance

Willis of New York, Inc. 1997-2004

Vice President, Marine Claims / Broker

Hull, P&I claims and insurance placement. Reporting and managing claims. Collection from underwriters. Liaison between insured and underwriters.

Developed online claims reporting and management system – reported to management on marketing / new clients / client retention

Provided complete solution for clients – placement of insurances and management / advocacy of claims

Internal compliance manager –E&O compliance, due diligence audits

Departmental IT manager

HIH Winterthur, Australia 1995-1997

General Counsel, Marine

Oversaw all marine claims for major Australian marine underwriter. Gatekeeper for all litigation, settlements and declinations. Reviewed and reported on reserves. Supported underwriters with marketing and risk management to assureds.

Levingstons, Phillips Fox 1989-1995

Solicitor

Marine practice – cargo, P&I, defense, litigation, ship sales, coverage advice, compliance, charter disputes, FD&D