

# **The Maritime Law Association of the United States**

**Fall 2021 Meeting “Sea-L-E”  
Boston, Massachusetts**

**Wednesday November 3, 2021 –  
Saturday November 6, 2021  
*Boston Marriott Long Wharf***



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## WELCOME

Dear MLA Members and Invited Guests:

The MLA Board of Directors met over the weekend confirming plans to proceed full steam ahead in Boston with our first-in person meeting in two years.

We want the Boston Meeting to be enjoyable, educational, and **COVID-safe**. Boston has one of the very highest vaccination rates in the country. Yet we recognize the current challenges in making travel plans, so **any Member who decides to cancel MLA meeting registration in writing before 5 pm EDT on Friday October 29, 2021 will receive a full refund**. There are discounts for early registration by October 8.

**Sea-L-E:** The Boston Meeting will feature not only MLA Committee Meetings at nearby Suffolk Law School but also accredited, hands-on sessions aboard a commercial scallop fishing vessel, a tug and barge, an underway harbor cruise ship, and also at Massport's container terminal, at Boston Boat Works, and inside Boston Ship Repair's dry dock. There will be an autonomous vessel demonstration. We conclude Saturday at Massachusetts Maritime Academy with a marine casualty cluster aboard its 540 foot training ship KENNEDY and our use of the Academy's Bridge Simulator and other facilities. **The Planning Committee's goal is to provide unique, experiential education for our young lawyers and seasoned hands alike. Please be prepared for rain and wind with footwear appropriate for onboard investigations.** Committee Meeting agendas are being posted now on [www.mlaus.org](http://www.mlaus.org).

**Social gatherings** start with the USS CONSTITUTION and a cocktail reception on Wednesday. Late Thursday afternoon D. Mass. Judge William G. Young will entertain us at the Federal Courthouse, followed by a cocktail reception atop the neighboring Rooftop Lookout. On Friday MLA Members will gather at historic Faneuil Hall for our Annual Fall Meeting in the afternoon with dinner that evening at The State Room with sweeping views of Boston Harbor.

The MLA Board of Directors unanimously decided upon the following safety protocol which is stricter than what is currently in place in Boston:

**MLA Boston Fall 2021 Meeting COVID-19 Protocol**

1. On sending in your Registration Form, please check the box that each person you are registering has a CDC COVID-19 Vaccination Record Card then show them to the MLA registration desk in the Marriott lobby before attending our meeting.

2. Alternatively, on your Registration Form, please check the other box that each person you are registering will show either (a) a CDC COVID-19 Vaccination Record Card or (b) a negative COVID-19 test result within the prior 48 hours to the MLA registration desk in the Marriott lobby before attending our meeting (the registration desk will have information on where to obtain self-administered tests nearby).

3. Registrants will also need to follow all government and venue rules applicable to our meeting. These may change. Currently the City of Boston requires masks at all inside public locations except when “actively eating or drinking” and Massachusetts Maritime Academy requires CDC COVID-19 Vaccination Record Cards.

4. Please contact me with any questions on this protocol which must be adhered to by all registrants.

We very much look forward to seeing you for a vibrant, salty, and safe in-person meeting after a long pandemic absence.

Yours for a fair tide,

David J. Farrell, Jr.  
MLA President

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<https://www.marriott.com/hotels/travel/boslw-boston-marriott-long-wharf/>

**REGISTRATION LINK FOR MLA RATES:**

[Book Here for MLA's Boston Room Block Nov2021](#)

**MLA's reduced rate of \$319 for standard rooms is on a first come first serve basis so please book your rooms early!**



## 2021 BOSTON MEETING PLANNING COMMITTEE

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### **Saturday Bonus Sea-L-E**

5.0 unique CLE credits

Untangle a cutting-edge marine casualty cluster aboard Massachusetts Maritime Academy's healthy training ship, dive into Bridge electronics and Engine Room pumps -- and everything in between.

Take the Conn in the Academy's Bridge Simulator and try to avoid colliding, alliding, and grounding in a busy harbor.

**MLA MEETING AND EVENTS SCHEDULE  
BOSTON, NOVEMBER 3-6, 2021**

This meeting features active registrant involvement in many outside maritime settings; a Sea-L-E Release (below) and adherence to the MLA COVID-19 Meeting Protocol (above) are conditions of attendee registration. Government and venue COVID-19 requirements now in place (**in red**) may change. There will be an app for the meeting.

Please be prepared for rain and wind with footwear appropriate for onboard investigations. Dresses and ties are contraindicated for Sea-L-E vessels and sites and not essential in the Federal Courthouse. Evening events will be dressier.

	EDT	EVENT	LOCATION	NOTES
<b>Wednesday 11/03/21</b>  <i>Inside Facemasks Required Per City of Boston</i>	9:00 - 11:30 am	Board of Directors Meeting	The Union Club of Boston	Private
	1:00 pm	Stevedores, Marine Terminals, and Vessel Services	Conley Container Terminal/ Boston Ship Repair Dry Dock	Sea-L-E Vans
	2:00 pm	Salvage	Federal Courthouse dock, TowBoatU.S. vessel inspection, then Judge Bowler's courtroom	Sea-L-E
	3:00 pm	Offshore Industries	Suffolk Law School– <i>Wednesday Law School Coffee Break Sponsored by Marine Safety Consultants, Inc.</i>	Zoom
	3:30 pm	Joint Marine Insurance and General Average & Carriage of Goods	Suffolk Law School	CLE Credit  Zoom
	4:00 pm	Uniformity of U.S. Maritime Law	Suffolk Law School	CLE Credit Zoom
	4:00 pm	Website and Technology	Suffolk Law School	Zoom
	4:00 pm	Tour	USS CONSTITUTION – <i>Sponsored by National Maritime Services</i>	Bus
	5:30 - 7:30 pm	Reception in Museum		
<b>Thursday 11/04/21</b>  <i>Inside Facemasks Required Per City of Boston</i>	8:30 - 11:00 am	Recreational Boating	Boston Boat Works	Sea-L-E CLE Credit Vans
	9:00 - 10:30 am	Joint Cybersecurity & In-House Counsel	Suffolk Law School	CLE Credit Zoom
	10:00 am	Arbitration and ADR	Suffolk Law School	Zoom
	10:00 am - Noon	Autonomous Vessels Subcommittee	Suffolk Law School	CLE Credit Zoom
	11:00 am	Our Oceans	Suffolk Law School	CLE Credit Zoom
	Noon - 12:30 pm	Lunch, on your own	List of options to be provided	



<b>Inside Facemasks Required Per City of Boston</b>	12:30 pm	Maritime Automated Surface Ship (MASS) demonstration	Federal Courthouse dock	Sea-L-E
	1:00 - 3:00 pm	Joint Fisheries & Practice and Procedure	Federal Courthouse dock, F/V AARSHEIM JUNIOR inspection and arrest, then Judge Bowler's courtroom	Sea-L-E CLE Credit
	2:00 - 3:30 pm	Inland Waters and Towing	Judge Bowler's courtroom, then tug/scow inspection at Federal Courthouse dock	Sea-L-E
	3:00 pm	Young Lawyers	Judge Bowler's courtroom	
	4:00 pm	Judge William G. Young talk	Federal Courthouse, Jury Room	Don't miss!
	5:30 - 7:30 pm	Reception	Lookout Rooftop, Envoy Hotel - <i>Sponsored by Farrell Smith O'Connell Aarsheim Aprans LLP</i>	
<b>Friday 11/05/21</b>  <b>Inside Facemasks Required Per City of Boston</b>	8:00 - 11:00 am	Marine Torts and Casualties  Cruise Lines and Passenger Vessels	ODYSSEY Boston Harbor cruise, buffet breakfast, underway Bridge and Engine Room access - <i>Sponsored by Clinton &amp; Muzyka, P.C. and Lewis Brisbois Bisgaard &amp; Smith LLP</i>	Sea-L-E
	8:30 am Sail			CLE Credit
	10:30 am Dock			
	10:30 am	Maritime Bankruptcy	Suffolk Law School	Zoom
	11:00 am	International Organizations, Conventions, and Standards	Suffolk Law School	Zoom
	11:00 am	Marine Financing	Suffolk Law School	Zoom
	Noon - 1:00 pm	Lunch, on your own	List of options to be provided	
	1:00 pm	General Meeting of the Association	Faneuil Hall - <i>Sponsored by Holbrook &amp; Murphy</i>	Zoom
	3:30 - 4:30 pm	Diversity and Inclusion Panel	Faneuil Hall	CLE Credit Zoom
<b>Saturday 11/06/21</b>  <b>Proof of Vaccination Required at Mass. Maritime</b>  <b>Inside Facemasks Required Per City of Boston</b>	8:30 am - 5:30 pm	Joint Cybersecurity; Marine Insurance; Marine Pollution and Maritime Crimes; Marine Torts and Casualties; Offshore Industries; Regulation of Vessel Operations, Safety, Security and Navigation; Government Counsel; In-House Counsel	TS KENNEDY and bridge simulator; marine casualty response; offshore windfarm facility; at Massachusetts Maritime Academy - <i>Sponsored by Independent Maritime Consulting LLC</i>	Sea-L-E CLE Credit Bus
	Evening	Dine Around in Boston		

## VENUE ADDRESSES

*Evening Attire*

Marriott Long Wharf Hotel  
296 State Street

USS CONSTITUTION  
22 Charlestown Navy Yard  
*Business Casual Attire*

The Union Club of Boston  
8 Park Street

Boston Boat Works  
333 Terminal Street, Charlestown

Massport Conley Container Terminal  
1 Farragut Road, Seaport District

Lookout Rooftop, Envoy Hotel  
70 Sleeper Street, Seaport District  
*Business Casual or Casual Attire*

Boston Ship Repair  
32 Drydock Avenue, Seaport District

ODYSSEY  
60 Rowes Wharf

Moakley Federal Courthouse  
1 Courthouse Way, Seaport District

Faneuil Hall  
Quincy Market

Suffolk Law School  
120 Tremont Street

The State Room  
60 State Street, 33d Floor  
*Business Attire*

Massachusetts Maritime Academy  
Buzzards Bay, MA

## SEA-L-E RELEASE

**As a condition for attending** the November 3-6, 2021 MLA Boston Meeting and Sea-L-E events on vessels, docks, and industry sites, **and as consideration** for not being charged increased sums, **all registrants** acknowledge the hazards and risks posed and for themselves and their heirs, successors, and assigns voluntarily agree to assume those hazards and risks and **waive, release, and forever discharge** any and every claim for personal injury, illness, or property damage against the Sea-L-E providers, vessels, owners, charterers, businesses, educational institutions, The Maritime Law Association of the United States, its Officers, Directors, Committee Chairs, Members, law firms, all of their insurers, as well as any and **all related and affiliated persons and entities**.

The meeting registration fee for *MLA Members and Invited Guests* is:

**\$550.00** if postmarked before October 8, 2021, or

**\$600.00** if postmarked after October 8, 2021.

The fee for an *adult (18 or older) accompanying any MLA Member (including accompanying a Young Lawyer) or Invited Guest* is:

**\$425.00** if postmarked before October 8, 2021, or

**\$450.00** if postmarked after October 8, 2021.

The fee for *Young Lawyers* is:

**\$425.00** if postmarked before October 8, 2021, or

**\$450.00** if postmarked after October 8, 2021.

*The registration fee for MLA Members, Invited Guests, Young Lawyers and Accompanying Adults includes CLE, and evening events on Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday.*

One [1] *a la carte* evening event – either Wednesday, Thursday, or Friday night:

**\$350.00** if postmarked before October 8, 2021, or

**\$375.00** if postmarked after October 8, 2021.

**Payment by Credit Card:** Log onto the MLA website ([www.mlaus.org](http://www.mlaus.org)). On your dashboard, click on “Payments for Events and Merchandise” and then on “Meeting Payments: Dinner, Registration, Events and Activities.” Complete the on-line credit card form using Invoice #11521 and click Submit Payment. *The same day you must also complete the registration form, save or scan as a .pdf, and email as an attachment to Robin Becker:*

[MLA.RESERVATIONS@SC.TWCBC.COM](mailto:MLA.RESERVATIONS@SC.TWCBC.COM)

Non-MLA Members contact Robin Becker at [MLAUS@SC.TWCBC.COM](mailto:MLAUS@SC.TWCBC.COM)

**Payment by Check:** Make Check Payable to *The Maritime Law Association of the United States* and mail your completed Reservation Form to: The Maritime Law Association of the United States, P.O. Box 50789, Summerville, SC 29485-0789.

**Payment by Wire:** All wire transfers must include equivalent of US \$15 wire transfer fee. (Wire instructions on request.)

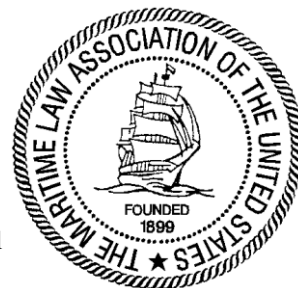
**REGISTRATION CONFIRMATION:** Confirmation will be by e-mail. Your reservation will not be confirmed until full payment for all registrants in your party has been received by MLA.

**REFUND POLICY:** In view of the pandemic, any Member who decides to cancel MLA meeting registration in writing before 5 pm EDT on Friday October 29, 2021 will receive a full refund.

**CLE ACCREDITATION:** Approximately 14.0 CLE credits (1-hour credit basis) will be offered. Final CLE program topics, speakers, and accreditation subject to change.

**ALL REGISTRANTS AGREE** to abide by the **MLA COVID-19 Meeting Protocol** on page 4 and the **Sea-L-E Release** on page 10 of this brochure.

To register for the 2021 Fall Meeting, you must print and complete this Registration Form page and the following page and mail both pages (if paying by check) or email both pages (if paying by credit card through the MLA website payment portal or by wire) to Robin Becker:



E-mail: [MLA.RESERVATIONS@SC.TWCBC.COM](mailto:MLA.RESERVATIONS@SC.TWCBC.COM)

Mail: **The Maritime Law Association of the United States**  
**P.O. Box 50789**  
**Summerville, SC 29485-0789**

Non-MLA Members contact Robin Becker at [MLAUS@SC.TWCBC.COM](mailto:MLAUS@SC.TWCBC.COM).

Name of Member or Invited Guest:	<hr/>		
Firm or Employer:	<hr/>		
Address	<hr/>		
	Street	<hr/>	
	City	State or Country	Zip or Postal Code
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	E-mail address	<hr/>	
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	Name of Accompanying Person:	<hr/>	
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Indicate:	MLA Member <input type="checkbox"/>	Young Lawyer <input type="checkbox"/>	Director <input type="checkbox"/>
	Invited Guest <input type="checkbox"/>	Officer <input type="checkbox"/>	Committee Chair <input type="checkbox"/>
		Past President <input type="checkbox"/>	
Total Enclosed:	\$ <hr/>	<i>Make checks payable to "MLA" in U.S. currency drawn on a U.S. bank.  Wire instructions on request – extra charge applies.</i>	
Name Badges:	<hr/>		
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The MLA Fall Meeting is limited to Members, their spouses or other loved ones, and immediate family. Other non-Members may attend only by personal invitation from the MLA President. Collegiality, our long-standing tradition, has been developed and nurtured by including everyone in every function. Accordingly, once again we ask your cooperation in foregoing any private parties.

*Remember, you must make hotel reservations directly with the Marriott. See page 5.*

REGISTRATION	POSTMARK BEFORE Oct. 8, 2021	POSTMARK AFTER Oct. 8, 2021	NO. OF PEOPLE		RATE		TOTAL
Member / Invited Guest (circle)	\$550.00	\$600.00		X		=	\$
Accompanying Person (over 18)	\$425.00	\$450.00		X		=	\$
Young Lawyer	\$425.00	\$450.00		X		=	\$
One [1] Evening Event ONLY	\$350.00	\$375.00		X		=	\$
<b>Registration Subtotal:</b>							\$

EVENT CONFIRMATION:	ATTENDING EVENT? Yes/No	NAME(S) OF PEOPLE ATTENDING EACH EVENT
Wednesday Night USS CONSTITUTION Cocktail Reception		
Thursday Night Lookout Rooftop Cocktail Reception		
Friday Morning ODYSSEY Breakfast Buffet		
Friday Night One State Street Reception, Dinner		

**FRIDAY NIGHT DINNER – MENU OPTIONS:**

Please help us plan by indicating the number attending and the number(s) of meal selection(s) for the Friday Night Dinner:

Meat/Filet \_\_\_\_\_

Scallops \_\_\_\_\_

Vegetarian \_\_\_\_\_

Dietary Restriction: \_\_\_\_\_ (contact Kirby Aarsheim  
kaarsheim@fsofirm.com)

**COVID-19 PROTOCOL COMPLIANCE:**

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## ACCOMPANYING PERSON ACTIVITIES

Boston offers a multitude of activities that are easily accessible by walking or public transportation. These include, but are not limited to:

**Museum of Fine Arts:** <https://www.mfa.org/> the MFA is one of the most comprehensive art museums in the world; the collection encompasses nearly 500,000 works of art. Reserving tickets is strongly recommended. Open Wednesday – Sunday 10am – 5pm

**Freedom Trail:** <https://www.thefreedomtrail.org/> More than 250 years of history on Boston's iconic Freedom Trail – 2.5 mile red line leading to 16 nationally significant historic sights. Multiple tours offered from 11am – 1pm everyday.

**New England Aquarium:** <https://www.neaq.org/> Home to thousands of aquatic animals – from northern fur seals to giant Pacific octopus to African penguins. Open M-F 9am-5pm, Sat & Sun 9am-6pm.

**Faneuil Hall Marketplace:** <https://faneuilhallmarketplace.com/> Enjoy a cornucopia of foods, specialty shopping and street performers all while surrounded by historical artifacts and sites.

**Museum of Science:** <https://www.mos.org/> Explore. Question. Imagine. Here, science is a life-changing journey of discovery for everyone. Timed tickets required. Open 9am-5pm, 9am-9pm on Fridays.

**Isabella Stewart Gardner Museum:** <https://www.gardnermuseum.org/> Houses significant examples of European, Asian and American art. Collection includes paintings, sculpture, tapestries and decorative arts. Enjoy the beautiful courtyard. Check website for hours.

**Boston Tea Party Ships & Museum:** <https://www.bostonteapartyship.com/> Be a part of the famous event that forever changed the course of American history through a multi-sensory experience. Check website for hours and various packages offered.

**Institute of Contemporary Art:** <https://www.icaboston.org/> The ICA's dynamic visual arts program features major thematic exhibits, surveys of leading contemporary artists, and more. Open everyday except Mondays.

**Boston Children's Museum:** <https://bostonchildrensmuseum.org/> Dedicated to the education of children. Located on the Children's Wharf along the Fort Point Channel, it is the second oldest children's museum in the U.S. Timed tickets, purchase online.

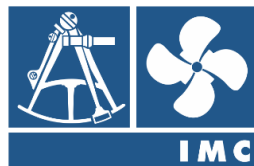
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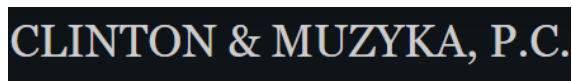
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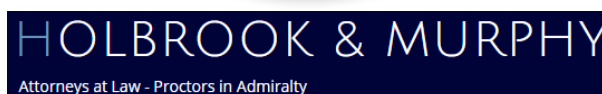
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