



## Notice of Meeting and Final Agenda for the Joint Meeting of the Marine Torts & Casualties and Government Counsel Committees

Thursday, May 2, 2024  
0900 to 1030 hrs EST

***In Person:*** Blank Rome, MPR Conference Room, 16<sup>th</sup> Floor,  
1271 Avenue of the Americas, New York, NY 10020

***Please self-register for building security by April 26, 2024, using this online form:***

<https://forms.office.com/r/u71jGB26Hi>

***Remote Attendance:*** Zoom attendees must register in advance for this meeting at:

<https://us06web.zoom.us/join/register/tZMofu2vqTovEtNIiyw7DpJddavRL7MDCnz8>

*Once registered, you will receive a confirmation email containing information with the Zoom login.*

**A. Welcome, Introduction of Panelists, Explanation of the Roundtable Discussion** (*Frederick B. Goldsmith, Chair, Marine Torts & Casualties Committee*) (will also serve as discussion moderator)

**Roundtable Discussion Topic:** “Is there a way certain bodily injury and property damage claims can be resolved faster and less expensively than how we all do it now?”

*The meeting is meant to be informal and to encourage brainstorming and dialogue amongst the panelists and meeting attendees, including invited guests from the maritime industry and government personnel.*

*Panelists will include:*

- Patrick Nolan, Senior Claims Executive, Skuld North America Inc., NYC
- Katherine Christodoulatos, Director, Marine Claims, Markel, Summit, NJ
- LCDR Shaun M. Pehl, JAGC, U.S. Navy, Office of the Judge Advocate General, Admiralty and Maritime Law Division, Washington, DC
- CDR Jared Hood, Deputy Chief, U.S. Coast Guard, Claims and Litigation Office, Washington, DC
- Thomas M. Brown, Trial Attorney, Aviation, Space & Admiralty Litigation, U.S. Department of Justice, Washington, DC
- Paul T. Hofmann, Hofmann & Schweitzer, NYC and Raritan, NJ
- Jason R. Harris, Farrell Smith O’Connell Aarsheim Aprans LLP, Wilmington, NC

**To encourage an open dialogue, the Chatham House Rule is invoked for this meeting:** “Participants are free to use the information received, but neither the identity nor the affiliation of the speaker(s), nor that of any other participant, may be revealed.”

*The meeting will not be recorded, and remote attendees are requested to not record the meeting.*

**B. Concluding Remarks** (*Mr. Goldsmith*)

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