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An admiralty lawyer since 1984, Attorney Dave Farrell's passion for maritime commerce began in high school when he worked at a Cape Cod boatyard. He ran a tour boat during college summers and later fished commercially up to 100 miles offshore in 30-36 foot vessels. He also has time at sea on tugs, ferries, container ships, and oil tankers.

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With trial and appellate court victories from Alaska to New England, Attorney Farrell is a frequent speaker and author on maritime law and public policy. He is proud to serve as President of [**The Maritime Law Association of the United States.**](http://www.mlaus.org/)

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