

SALVAGE COMMITTEE AGENDA
MARITIME LAW ASSOCIATION SPRING MEETING 2015

Reed Smith, 599 Lexington Avenue, 22nd Floor, New York, New York
Thursday, April 30, 2015 (9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.)
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1. Introductory Remarks & Administrative Matters [5min]
Jason R. Harris, Chair, Welch and Harris, LLP, NC
2. Announcements [5 min]
 - A. **Bob Umbdenstock**, Resolve Marine Group, Inc., Director, Planning & Corp Relations - re: passing of Capt. Joseph Frohnhoefer (founder of Sea Tow) and CDR Robert "Bob" Thurman, USN (Ret.) (operations manager Merrit Chapman & Scott Marine Salvage Co.)
 - B. Maritime Salvage Conference and Expo 2015 - September 22-24, Hilton Stamford, Stamford, CT
 - C. CMI/MLA Project - meaning of "vessel" - Salvage Committee involvement?
3. Treasure Salvage - A Retrospective [15-20 min]
Barbara O'Malley, Special Counsel, Aviation and Admiralty Litigation, Civil Division, Torts Branch
4. What if the Costa Concordia Incident Occurred in the United States - Are We Prepared? An OPA 90 Perspective [20-25min]
Art Meade, VP & Chief Counsel, Crowley
Lindsay Malen, Director of Business Development, Titan
5. Salvage Contracts and Dispute Resolution Provisions [30min]
 - A. SMA/MARSALV [5-10min]
Peter S. Wiswell, Manager Marine Claims, Zurich NA, NY
 - B. Salvage Agreement & Arbitration - Salvor's Views [5-10 min]
Larry Acheson, Offshore Marine Towing, Ft. Lauderdale, FL
 - C. LOF/Other [5-10 min]
James T. Shirley, Jr. - JTS Marine, LLC, PA
 - D. Discussion [5-15 min]
6. Calculating Damages Averted in Environmental Salvage [15min]
 - A. **Dagmar Schmidt Etkin**, PhD, Vice Chair, Environmental Research Consulting, NY [5 min]
 - B. Discussion [10 min]
7. Recent Developments in Salvage Law [5 min]
Ellen G. Shults, Welch and Harris, LLP, North Carolina
8. Old Business.
9. New Business.