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Young Lawyers Committee
The Maritime Law Association of the United States

Message from the Chair

Despite the fact that it's still 80 degrees in New York, it is time for the fall meeting of the Maritime Law Association. Fifty years ago the MLA held its first meeting outside of New York City in New Orleans. That first “port” meeting was held in conjunction with the inaugural Tulane Admiralty Law Institute. Next week from October 26 – 28, 2016, the MLA and the ALI will be celebrating their 50th reunion and we hope many Young Lawyer Committee members are planning to celebrate with us.

The meeting in New Orleans not only provides expanded networking opportunities, but also provides an opportunity to earn up to 15 CLE credit hours. The mornings will be devoted to the traditional ALI CLE programming at the New Orleans Board of Trade on Wednesday and Thursday and at Tulane on Friday. The MLA committee meetings will be hosted by several law firms on Wednesday and Thursday afternoons. The MLA general meeting will be Friday afternoon at Tulane.

As always, I would like to extend a special thanks to all YLC members who have volunteered for committee work since our last meeting and who have volunteered to assist with the committee meetings in New Orleans. The contributions of our members are vital to the work of the Association and are recognized by the MLA President, Board, and Committee Chairs. Thank you.

Le Bon Temps Roulé!
- Blythe Daly

YLC in New Orleans

This year's reunion in New Orleans offers great chances for networking and learning, but the strength of the MLA relies upon the collaboration of its members – including the YLC. We will be holding a short but separate MLA YLC committee meeting in New Orleans to address any issues specific to our members. The meeting will precede the Opening Reception. In addition to reports from the YLC liaisons, we will receive an update on the website, and have a short discussion on the future of the MLA. We appreciate the generosity of our hosts at Jones Walker.

Wednesday, October 26, 2016
5:00 – 6:00 p.m.
Jones Walker LLP
201 St. Charles Ave., Suite 5100

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In addition, our ALI hosts in New Orleans has organized a fantastic Social Event on Thursday evening.

Thursday, October 27, 2016
6:00 – 9:00 p.m.
Pat O'Brien's Briar's Suite
718 St. Peter St.

The event features a premium open bar and catered food service. The event has been generously subsidized and sponsored by S-E-A, Ltd. \$50 per person advance purchase. Register here:
http://www.law.tulane.edu/tlsLifeAfterLS/ALI_docs.aspx.

A special thanks to **Walter Maestri** for his organization of this event.

Highlighted YLC Members

Certain of our YLC colleagues have contributed time and effort into various ALI programs and the MLA committee meetings. Please plan to support your fellow YLC members at the following programs:

Wednesday October 26, 2016

9:00 – 10:00 a.m.

50-Year Retrospective on Marine Insurance

Laura Beck Knoll, paper co-author

Wednesday, October 26, 2016

11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

Bodily Injury and Death II

Rebecca Hamra, paper co-author

Wednesday, October 26, 2016

2:00 – 3:30 p.m.

Fisheries Committee Meeting

Scott Gunst, Jr., Recent Case Law Summary

Wednesday, October 26, 2016

3:30 – 5:00 p.m.

MLA Joint Marine Torts
& Casualties/Cruise Lines
& Passenger Ships Committees

Rebecca Hamra, Presenter: The Zika Virus:
From Stagnate Waters to Growing Fears

Thursday, October 27, 2016

11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

Collision, Limitation of Liability and
Salvage

Laura Beck Knoll, paper co-author

Thursday, October 27, 2016

2:00 – 3:30 p.m.

Stevedores, Marine Terminals & Vessel
Services Committee

Imran Shaukat, Report on *In re Petition of
Frescati Shipping Company, Ltd., as the
Owner of the M/T Athos I*, 2016 WL
4035994 (E.D. Pa 7/25/2016)

Calling All Photographers

The MLA is seeking volunteers to take photographs at the various ALI or MLA meetings or other events they attend in New Orleans. Volunteers are not expected to spend their entire time taking photos, but rather, the MLA would like a number of volunteers to agree to take photos and later download them into a designated link and/or website. Those interested should contact Pamela Schultz: pschultz@hinshawlaw.com.

Recent Projects

At the request of Chet Hooper and David Nourse, the following YLC members assisted in proof-reading and cite checking the upcoming edition of the MLA Report: **Corey R. Greenwald, J. Ben Segarra, Stephanie Propsom, and Christine M. Walker.**

Ongoing Projects

Sean Pribyl, liaison to the Government Counsel committee, has advised that the inaugural MLA Government Counsel co-sponsored panel on “Best Practices in Maritime Investigations” will take place on Dec. 1, 2016 from 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. in New Orleans. The program is co-sponsored by the Admiralty Section of the Federal Bar Association and the ABA TIPS Admiralty & Maritime Law Committee. Additional YLC members

Raymond Waid and **Jessica Link Martyn** have assisted in organizing the program.

The Recreational Boating Committee publishes a newsletter entitled "Boating Briefs," which reports on cases involving recreational boats as well as legislative and regulatory developments specific to recreational boating. The Committee requests YLC members keep a lookout for these types of developments and cases and report them to the Committee. In addition, if a YLC member has been involved in an interesting case involving recreational boating, there may be an opportunity for that member to make a presentation about the case at a Committee meeting. If you have anything to report, please contact the chair of the Recreational Boating Committee, Mark Buhler, at mark.buhler@earthlink.net, or the YLC liaison, Bo Williams, at bo.williams@phelps.com.

Peter Black, the YLC liaison to the Website and Technology Committee, advises us that the committee is in the process of establishing a LinkedIn page for the MLA. Watch for the page to go live and for opportunities to contribute to the same.

Assistance Needed

The MLA Archives Committee is looking for 1-2 volunteers in New York to assist in reviewing, sorting, and organizing certain of the MLA numbered documents. The Committee would like to complete the project in the next few weeks. If you are interested in assisting, please contact William Bell at WEBELL@MDWCG.com or (212) 376-6447. We thank you in advance for your assistance.

Call for Projects

To the Standing Committees: Please let the YLC know how we can help with your projects. If you have projects in need of research or have writing opportunities that are well-suited for younger lawyers, please keep our committee in mind. Additionally, we can usually find a YLC member to assist with staffing your meeting (handling CLE paperwork, sign-in sheets, handouts, and assisting with presentation set up, etc.), if and when the need arises.

Publication Opportunities

Do you have any war stories from your practice that you wish to share with others? Do you think you have a sense of humor? Consider submitting your written piece for consideration to *Benedict's Quarterly Maritime Bulletin*. You may write to Managing Editor Joshua S. Force at jforce@shergarner.com.

Proctor Status

Any Associate member of the MLA who has been a member of the MLA for four years or more is eligible to apply for Proctor status with the MLA. The advantages of Proctor status are numerous, not the least of which is that a member cannot serve as a committee chair, vice-chair, or director unless s/he is a Proctor or Non-Lawyer member. Proctor applications may be obtained and submitted on the MLA website.

YLC Membership List on Website

If you are not already signed up as a member of the YLC, please make sure you do so. In addition, please review your email and notification settings on the website. We use the membership list on the website as a

vehicle for communicating with our members. We have reason to believe that some of our young lawyers are not registered as YLC members or may have restrictive notification settings and thus do not receive our communications. If you know anyone that might fall into either category, please pass this message along and encourage them to formally join the committee and to check their settings. Conversely, if you are no longer a YLC member and are tired of our shenanigans, feel free to unsubscribe.

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