

**MARITIME LAW ASSOCIATION OF THE UNITED STATES
CRUISE LINES AND PASSENGERS SHIPS COMMITTEE
FALL 2017 MEETING AND CLE
THURSDAY OCTOBER 19, 2017; 2:00 PM – 3:15 PM
Silverado Resort, Napa Valley
Call-In Number: 701-801-1220, Pass Code 389-504-554#
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I. Introductions & Case Updates

Carlos F. Llinás Negret, Nelson & Fraenkel, LLP
Cruise Line and Passenger Ships Committee Chairman

II. SOS: Lessons from Costa Concordia Shipwreck Survivors

On January 13, 2012, the *Costa-Concordia* cruise ship, wrecked off the coast of Isola del Giglio in Italy. A 53-meter (174 ft) long gash was made in the port-side hull, along 3 compartments of the engine room. Taking on water, the vessel listed to the port side.

Georgia, Dean, Cindy and Valerie Ananias, were on board the *Costa Concordia* during the shipwreck. The Ananias Family, who up to that time had travelled on 75 cruises, will share their experience with the committee, and in particular the line's evacuation procedures and emergency response during and after the shipwreck.

Q&A and discussion moderated by *Curtis Mase, Stephanie Wylie* and *Carlos F. Llinás Negret*.

III. The United States Coast Guard Perspective on Shipwrecks (CLE Credits*)

A representative from the United States Coast Guard will discuss current U.S.C.G. regulations governing emergency response, passenger and crew evacuations in the event of a shipwreck.

IV. Medical Negligence Claims on Cruise Ships after *Franza v. Royal Caribbean* (CLE Credits*)

In *Franza v. Royal Caribbean*, 772 F. 3d 1225 (11th Cir. 2014), the Eleventh Circuit held that a cruise passenger could use apparent or actual agency principles to impute liability to a cruise line for onboard medical negligence.

Jeffrey Maltzman, Esq. of Maltzman & Partners, will discuss the current state law in cruise line medical malpractice claims in the aftermath of *Franza*, including the current circuit split between the Eleventh Circuit (*Franza*), and the Fifth Circuit (*Barbetta*).