**MLA COMMITTEE ON RECREATIONAL BOATING**

May 2, 2019

3:30 - 5:30 PM

New York Yacht Club

37 West 44th Street, New York, NY

**AGENDA**

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| **3:30 – 3:35** | 1. **Welcome / Introductions** – (Chair) Mark Buhler, Buhler Law Firm P.A. (Orlando, FL)
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| **3:35 – 3:50** | 1. **Choice of Law and Liability Considerations Arising from the 2015 Dauphin Island Race** – E. Barrett Hails of Phelps Dunbar (Mobile, AL)
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| **3:50 – 4:05** | 1. **Boats and the Internet of Things - Connected Boating** – Daniel Harper, Founder and CEO of Siren Marine, LLC (Newport, RI)
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| **4:05 – 4:20** | 1. **So You Want to Charter Illegally? Fine (and Penalties)! –** Theresa Bennett of the Law Office of Theresa Bennett (Fort Lauderdale, FL)
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| **4:20 – 4:30** | 1. **Yacht Financing Industry Update (Lending and Collateral Recovery)** – G. Robert Toney, Founder of National Liquidators and National Maritime Services (Ft. Lauderdale, FL)
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| **4:30 – 4:35** | 1. **SMA Arbitration and Recreational Vessels** – Michael J. Northmore, Chair of Insurance Committee, The Society of Maritime Arbitrators, Inc. (Staten Island, NY)
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| **4:35 – 4:45** | 1. **CBP Procedures for Yacht Inspections** – Cheryl C. Peters, Program Manager with Enforcement Programs Division (EPD), U.S. Customs and Border Protection (Washington, D.C.)
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| **4:45 – 4:50** | 1. **Recreational Boating Update** – Capt. Shannon N. Gilreath, Office of Maritime and International Law, U.S. Coast Guard (Washington, D.C.)
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| **4:50 – 5:10** | 1. **Keels Falling Off! –** Geoff van Gorkom of Van Gorkom Yacht Design LLC (Portsmouth, Rhode Island)
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| **5:10 – 5:25** | 1. **Business or Pleasure? Navigating the Internal Revenue Code When Your Boat is a Business -** Caroline Ciraolo of Kostelanetz & Fink, LLP (Washington, D.C.)
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| **5:25– 5:35** | 1. **Presentation of the Spring 2019 Issue of BOATING BRIEFS – (**Editor) Daniel Wooster of Palmer, Biezup & Henderson LLP (Philadelphia, PA)
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|  | 1. **Any Remaining Time Available -** Questions for the speakers; “Heads Up” alerts from the floor on any significant recent developments; Suggestions for future topics, etc.
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