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Mr. Miller has been Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary of the American Bureau of Shipping (ABS) since January 1, 2000. Prior to that position, he served as Associate General Counsel of ABS in the New York and Houston offices of ABS. Mr. Miller started his legal career in Houston with Shell Oil Company's Legal Department providing advice and counsel to a variety of functions- exploration and production, refining and marketing, chemical, emergency response and the marine department.

ABS is a not-for-profit, non-governmental ship classification society. ABS was organized under an Act of the New York Legislature in 1862. The primary purpose of ABS is to determine the structural and mechanical fitness of ships and other marine structures for their intended service. It does this through a procedure known as "classification", of which there are two fundamental aspects. First, is the process by which standards are established and updated; second, is the procedure by which the standard are administered.

As General Counsel of ABS, Mr. Miller is responsible for overseeing the legal matters affecting ABS around the world. ABS operates in almost 100 locations around the world, with a worldwide staff of about 1700.

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