

April 4, 1937

**THE MARITIME LAW ASSOCIATION  
OF THE UNITED STATES**

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*NOTICES.*

ANNUAL MEETING.

The Thirty-eighth Annual Meeting of the Association will be held on

*Friday, April 30, 1937, at 8.00 P. M.*

at the House of the Association of the Bar of the City of New York, 42 West 44th Street, New York. The business of the meeting will be the reception of reports, especially as to the pending bill for the extension of admiralty jurisdiction, the pending hearing and report of the American Bar Association Committee on Admiralty and Maritime Law relative to the laws relating to the limitation of liability of shipowners, and the projet of a convention relating to salvage at sea as between aircraft and vessels; and the election of members and officers.

LIMITATION OF LIABILITY OF SHIPOWNERS.

The American Bar Association Committee on Admiralty and Maritime Law has addressed the following communication to this Association:

AMERICAN BAR ASSOCIATION

STANDING COMMITTEE ON ADMIRALTY AND MARITIME  
LAW, 1936-1937

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March 31, 1937

Maritime Law Association of the United States  
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Gentlemen:

The Standing Committee on Admiralty and Maritime Law of the American Bar Association requests you to advise your members that it will meet at 10 A. M., Thursday, May 6, 1937, at the Carlton Hotel, Washington, D. C., and that the Committee not only invites but urges your members to appear before it and present argument, either oral or written, either for or against, the recommendations contained in the Report of the Admiralty Committee submitted at the Midwinter Meeting of the House of Delegates of the American Bar Association last January, on the subject of Limitation of Shipowners' Liability.

The Report fully appears in Document 231 of the Maritime Law Association of the United States, and the discussion thereof in the House of Delegates is reported in the February, 1937, issue of the American Bar Association Journal at page 109 et seq.

The subject is of the utmost importance to shipping and to the American Merchant Marine. The Admiralty Committee is most solicitous that all who wish to be heard may appear and present their views, so that the Committee may base its recommendations on a thorough canvass of the subject.

The Admiralty Committee may also consider the subject of the extension of admiralty jurisdiction to damage by vessels to persons and property on land. Action to this purpose was taken by the American Bar Association at its meeting in 1935. There has been objection, however, to including damage to persons. My Committee would be grateful if any of your members having views on this subject would present them to us either orally or by brief or by letter (Five copies would be appreciated.)

Trusting that you will circularize this letter amongst your members, I am

Respectfully yours,

GEO. H. TERRIBERRY,

Chairman, Standing Committee on  
Admiralty and Maritime Law of  
the American Bar Association  
825 Whitney Building  
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CARRIAGE OF GOODS BY SEA CONVENTION—HAGUE RULES.

French ratification: deposited January 4, 1937, effective July 4, 1937.

Polish ratification: deposited October 26, 1936, effective April 26, 1937.

Swedish legislation: June 5, 1936 (No. 277).

LIST OF RATIFICATIONS AND LEGISLATIVE ENACTMENTS.

Belgium	—ratified	1930—effective	Jun. 2, 1931
Great Britain—	“	1930—	“ Jun. 2, 1931
Hungary	— “	1930—	“ Jun. 2, 1931
Italy	— “	1929—effect	postponed
Netherlands	— “	1931—effective	Nov. 15, 1931
Poland	— “	Oct. 26, 1936—	“ Apr. 26, 1937
France	— “	Jan. 4, 1937—	“ Jul. 4, 1937
Spain	— “	1930—	“ Jun. 2, 1931
Zanzibar	— “	1931—	“ Dec. 2, 1931
Monaco	— “	1930—	“ Jun. 2, 1931

## HAGUE RULES LEGISLATION.

- Belgium —Nov. 28, 1928, effective Jan. 22, 1929.  
 Canada —Jun. 23, 1936, “ Aug. 1, 1936.  
 France —Apr. 2, 1936, “ Oct. 4, 1937.  
 Great Britain —1924, effective Jan. 1, 1925.  
 Thirty-four British possessions and mandates, decrees and legis-  
 lation between 1925 and 1928, all now in effect.  
 Italy —Articles 292-311 of the New Code drafted in  
 1931, effective date postponed.  
 Netherlands —Revised Marine Code, Feb. 1, 1927, permits  
 optional use. Now in effect.  
 United States —April 16, 1936, effective July 15, 1936.  
 Newfoundland—April 30, 1932, effective Jun. 30, 1932.  
 Australia —Act No. 22 of 1924, effective Jan. 1, 1925.  
 Queensland —Act No. 18 of 1930, now in effect.  
 India —Act No. 26 of 1925, now in effect.  
 Zanzibar —Act of 1926, now in effect.  
 Sweden —Law of Jun. 5, 1936; to become effective when  
 proclaimed.

INTERNATIONAL MARITIME COMMITTEE—PARIS MEETING—MAY  
18-22, 1937.

- Subjects: Civil and Penal Jurisdiction of High Seas Colli-  
 sions;  
 Through Sea, Land and Air Bills of Lading, on  
 the model of the American I. C. C. Export Bill  
 of Lading;  
 Aviation and Shipping Salvage at Sea Conven-  
 tion.

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