

THE MARITIME LAW ASSOCIATION
OF THE UNITED STATES

IMPORTANT NOTICE

Change of Meeting Time to 9:30 A.M.

In order to allow ample time for discussion of the unusually important matters to come before the Fall Meeting on November 4, 1977, the meeting will commence promptly at 9:30 A.M., instead of the usual starting hour.

NOTICE OF PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO
ARTICLES OF ASSOCIATION AND BY-LAWS

A resolution to amend the Articles of Association and By-Laws has been proposed by the Executive Committee and will be submitted to the Association at the Fall Meeting on November 4, 1977. This resolution (the new matter added being in bold face) reads:

5. Officers of the Association shall be a President, a First Vice-President, a Second Vice-President, a Secretary, a Membership Secretary and a Treasurer. They shall be elected at the annual meeting of the Association to serve for one year and until their successors have been elected, **except that neither the President nor the First Vice-President shall be eligible to succeed himself in office.**

The present Paragraph 7 would be deleted and the following substituted:

- 7(a) **The First Vice-President shall familiarize himself with the duties of the President and with the programs and work of the Association, and shall perform such duties as may be assigned to him by the President or by the Executive Committee within the terms of the Articles of Association and By-Laws. He shall automatically succeed to the office of the President upon the expiration of his term. In case of the death, absence or inability to act of the President, he shall discharge the duties of the President.**

- (b) The Second Vice-President, in case of the death, absence or inability to act of the President and the First Vice-President, shall discharge the duties of the President, and shall otherwise perform such duties as may be assigned to him either by the President or by the Executive Committee within the terms of the Articles of Association and By-Laws.**

(Substitute in place of old paragraph 7.)

It is proposed that these Amendments, if adopted by the Association, would go into effect as of the Annual Meeting of the Association in 1978.

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Notice is also given that the Committee on Practice and Procedure will present its final report on arrest and attachment procedure at the Fall Meeting. A minority report will also be offered. Copies of these reports may be obtained from the Secretary of the Association.

President Owen suggests that all members prepare themselves for a lively discussion by rereading the minutes of the May 1977 meeting (Doc. No. 606, pp. 6680-6709) and p. 5 of his August 1 Newsletter.

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Secretary