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Peter Clark is a partner in the admiralty law firm of Clark, Atcheson & Reisert. He has over thirty five years experience in maritime and international law. Mr. Clark concentrates his practice in the areas of admiralty and maritime law, commercial litigation and alternative dispute resolution.

Biographical Notes:

After graduation from the United States Merchant Marine Academy (B.S., 1967), Peter Clark sailed seven years on U.S. flag vessels, and is a licensed chief engineer. Mr. Clark is a graduate of St. John's University School of Law (J.D., 1975) and holds a masters degree in international law from New York University (LL.M., 1981). He is admitted to the courts of New York (1976), New Jersey (1988), Connecticut (1990), and the District of Columbia (1978), along with the United States Supreme Court and the United States Court of International Trade.

Mr. Clark's areas of specialty are maritime casualties, intermodal transportation disputes, vessel oil spills, environmental law, shipbuilding contracts, ship repair disputes, bulk oil transportation, marine insurance, general average, and salvage. He also has litigation experience in major maritime cases and charter party arbitrations.

From 1989-1997 Mr. Clark authored the "Sea Law" column for the *Journal of Commerce*. Mr. Clark is past chairman of the Admiralty and Maritime Committee, Commercial and Federal Litigation Section of the New York State Bar Association. He is former president of the New York Kings Point Alumni Association and the Propeller Club of New York. Mr. Clark is a co-founder of the Admiralty Law Society of St. John's University School of Law. His professional memberships include: the Society of Naval Architects and Marine Engineers, the Society of Port Engineers, the Institute of Marine Engineers, the

Maritime Law Association of the United States, the Connecticut Maritime Association and the Marine Society of New York.

Mr. Clark also serves as a maritime arbitrator and mediator. He is a Supporting Member of the London Maritime Arbitrators Association and a Fellow of the London Chartered Institute of Arbitrators (FCI Arb). Mr. Clark is also experienced in alternative dispute resolution. He acts as a mediator and arbitrator for the Superior Court of New Jersey. Over the years he has served as a sole arbitrator in *ad hoc* arbitrations and as a party appointed arbitrator on numerous panels under the rules of the Society of Maritime Arbitrators.

Mr. Clark is a member of The Maritime Law Association Committee on Arbitration and ADR. He has also been appointed by his peers to act as a private evaluative mediator on numerous occasions. Likewise, Mr. Clark has often been appointed by the Superior Court of New Jersey to act as a facilitative mediator in non-maritime matters. He is also included in the roster of court-approved mediators for the United States District Court for the District of New Jersey.

Selected Publications by Mr. Clark:

- Navigating the Legal Pitfalls of International Commercial Arbitration
- Criminal Jurisdiction Over Merchant Vessels Engaged in International Trade
- An Admiralty Law Viewpoint on the Changing Role of Classification Societies
- Cogs and The Shipping Act Trump Carmack in *Regal-Beloit*
- Rule-B Attachment and Shipbrokers
- Ship Managers Can Be Litigation Targets in the U.S.
- Recent Developments Concerning the Montreal Convention and Air Freight Forwarders Seeking Indemnification From Air Carriers
- Parties are Wise to Include Provisions for Arbitrator Vacancies in Contracts
- Stevedores Can Be Protected From Cargo Loss Liability
- Arbitrators Resolve Disputes on In-Transit Losses

- Uncertainties of Litigation Make Cases on Cargo Care Virtually Unpredictable
- Arbitration Incorporation Clauses Should Name Charter Parties
- Arbitration Rules Hoped to Ease Settlement of Salvage Claims
- Shipping Industry Prefers Arbitration in Settling Disputes

Professional Recognition:

- *Chambers Global* and *Chambers USA*: Named as a leading U.S. lawyer in shipping litigation, (2001-present)
- *New York Super Lawyers*: Named for transportation/maritime, (2008-present)
- United Seamen's Service Counsel of Trustees: (2002-present)