

Society of Maritime Arbitrators, Inc. (SMA)

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The SMA is pleased to announce its two day seminar:

MARITIME ARBITRATION IN NEW YORK

Dates: February 27 and 28, 2020

Location: 3 West Club, 3 West 51st Street, New York, NY 10019

MARITIME ARBITRATION IN NEW YORK

The SMA will offer its comprehensive two–day seminar on "Maritime Arbitration in New York", for the 15th year, on February 27 and 28, 2020. We are returning to midtown Manhattan for the 2020 program.

This seminar is offered to help further and promote the fair, just, ethical and cost effective resolution of charter party and other maritime contract disputes by arbitration in New York. Past attendees have traveled to the seminar from South America, Africa, Canada, Europe and major maritime centers in the U.S.

The seminar will include topics essential to those involved in the arbitration process whether they are arbitrators, participating parties or attorneys. Topics include Arbitration Overview, Commencing the Arbitration, the Federal Arbitration Act (FAA) and SMA Rules, the Arbitration Award, Interim Awards, Final Awards, Majority Decisions, Dissenting Opinions, Confirmation, Vacatur and Enforcement of Awards, Panel Member and Ethical Considerations, Discovery in Aid of Arbitration, Hearing Procedures, Security in Aid of an Award, Evidentiary Considerations in Arbitration, the Federal Rules of Evidence, Laches, Time Bar, Defaults, Mediation and Consolidation of Arbitrations.

Jeffrey Weiss, Esq., Professor of Maritime Law at New York Maritime College, with 35 years of college and graduate-level teaching experience, will again be the lead instructor joined by members of the SMA Education Committee.

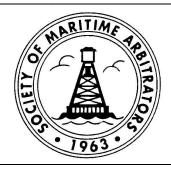
CONTINUING LEGAL EDUCATION CREDITS

The Maritime Law Association of the United States ("MLAUS"), is an accredited New York State provider of Continuing Legal Education ("CLE") and is a co-sponsor of the 2020 SMA Arbitration Seminar for purposes of CLE credits.

The Program will be appropriate for both newly-admitted attorneys (transitional) and experienced attorneys (non-transitional) and the complete Program will qualify for 12 New York CLE credits in "Areas of Professional Practice".

Attorneys licensed in states other than New York should consult with their appropriate state authority to determine their entitlement to CLE credits based upon MLAUS CLE certification as an approved provider of New York CLE credit.

CLE financial assistance is available for MLAUS members and New York attorneys whose annual income falls within the current guidelines. Financial aid is applicable to registration fees; however, it does not apply to expenses for transportation, meals, or accommodations. Applications for financial aid should be submitted no later than 30 days prior to the seminar to the MLAUS CLE Committee Chair, Brian Eisenhower, who may be contacted for further information at 212-669-0617 or beisenhower@hillrivkins.com.



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SEMINAR CRITIQUES FROM PREVIOUS ATTENDEES;

- "The presentation as well as the printed material are of high quality and well laid out. I thoroughly enjoyed it and learned a lot about the underlying law and legal considerations. Jeff's skillful presentation certainly made it most enjoyable. These were two days well spent."
- "Thanks very much for a very interesting and informative two days. Since I have not been involved with arbitrations for about twenty-five years, I found the course extremely useful, both to see how much I had forgotten as well as to learn how much has changed in the meantime. It was gratifying to sit with such informed, interested and experienced fellow students..."
- I would also like to express my thanks and high praises to the SMA. Not only did I find the two day course very informative, but the additional comments provided by my fellow students...were very helpful in regards...to shipping in general. For someone new in the industry, it was a very valuable learning experience."

WHO SHOULD ATTEND:

This seminar will be especially valuable to business professionals who are users of the arbitration process from issues arising under their company's contracts and charter parties. Attendees from shipowners, charterers, vessel operators, maritime claims adjusters, salvors, ship brokers, oil and chemical companies, insurers, traders and export/import companies should find the seminar an efficient way to gain an understanding of the current practices in New York maritime arbitration proceedings.

The seminar will also be uniquely beneficial to newly admitted maritime attorneys or lawyers with less than two years practical experience or those seeking a more comprehensive understanding of the process.

REGISTRATION: Complete the attached Registration Form and return with payment to the SMA by **Friday, February 14, 2020**

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Seminar registration fee: US \$1,075. The registration fee includes morning coffee/tea as well as all seminar materials. Lunch will be provided on Thursday, February 27. Dress is business casual. Please contact Dr. Austin Dooley at 718-885-0962 or dseawx@ix.netcom.com with any seminar or registration questions. Sessions are from 09:00 to noon and 13:00 to 17:00 each day.

Make check payable to the **Society of Maritime Arbitrators, Inc.** and mail together with the registration form to the SMA address below **before February 14, 2020**.

Please email or call the SMA office to advise of your participation/registration. No refunds will be made for cancellation requests received after February 14, 2020.

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