

WELCOMES MEMBERS AND OTHER SHIPPING PROFESSIONALS TO THE EIGHTH MONTHLY SEMINAR IN THE 2016 EVENTS PROGRAMME

Admiralty Procedures - Errors, Anomalies and Changes of Course in a Digital Age

The Admiralty Court in London has a long and illustrious history as the pre-eminent forum for the resolution of maritime disputes. It is probably the best known and best respected such forum in the World. The Court's rules and procedures have evolved over the years, decades, and even centuries, as the maritime industry it serves has changed. Now, in the digital age, is further change required? A specialist Court requires specialist rules. Such specialist rules can become divorced from the mainstream, and can stand unscrutinised and unchallenged for long periods. Do the current rules require correction or change? Moreover, such specialist rules can appear arcane and can trip up the unwary as various recent cases have shown – what lessons should be learned?

Our discussion and debate will focus on the following:

- "MSC Prestige" c/w "Samco Europe": a case study to illustrate the suitability of the existing procedures in a digital age
- Digital data at sea: what can now be done with what
- Course corrections: some (perceived) problems with Admiralty procedure, and what could, should, and will be done to put them right
- Recent cases concerning the commencement of collision proceedings ("Theresa Libra", "Stolt Kestrel", "CDE v Surewind", "Styliani Z", "Melissa K")

Chairman: The Hon. Mr. Justice Teare, the Admiralty Judge

Darryl Kennard - Thomas Cooper

Dr Neil Baines - Avenca

Mark Jones - St Philips Stone Chambers

Richard Sarll – 7 KBW

Venue: The IDRC, 70 Fleet Street, London, EC4Y 1EU

Date: Wednesday 30th November 2016 - 6.00pm – 8.00pm

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