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- Services:** OCIMF SIRE and CDI ship inspections. Accident investigations regarding ships, cargoes, marine terminals and pleasure craft. Investigations of damage or loss of cargo of all types including petroleum, oil, bulk cargoes, and chemicals. Vessel condition surveys. Investigation of business interruption disputes involving maritime transportation. Damage surveys of ships, cargoes and terminals, oil and chemical spills including those involving cargo stowage, cranes and vessel machinery. Marine Terminal evaluations, Valuation surveys of most types of marine craft including tugs and barges. Pre-charter and pre-purchase surveys. Investigating groundings and oil spills and assisting principals with respect to crisis management on site, in real time and after the event. Experienced as litigation consultant reporting to counsel who are dealing with commercial, regulatory and criminal issues arising from various types of marine operation.
- Principals include. Oil and Chemical Companies, Ship Owners, P&I and insurance interests, Charterers, Shippers, Receivers, Admiralty Lawyers, Energy Traders et al.
- Expertise:** The safe operation of ships and marine craft of most types including bulk carriers, oil and chemical tankers. Transportation and handling of most types of cargo by sea. Investigation and reporting of marine accidents for insurance interests. Carrying out formal inspections of all types of ocean going tank vessels, tugs and barges under the auspices of the Oil Companies International Marine Forum and Chemical Distribution Institute ship inspection programs. Marine terminal suitability studies. Knowledge of the ISM Code and its application. Current knowledge of IMO regulations and US CFRs. Owner/operator of 37 foot sailboat cruising US E. Coast from New England to the Bahamas.
- Professional experience:** 1965 to 1982: Sailed in all ranks to chief officer on ocean going vessels (various types of tankers and cargo ships). Obtained license as unlimited ship's captain in 1976. Worked on new building program at Japanese ship yard. Worked on N. Sea shuttle tanker and safety officer for ship to ship transfers.
1982 to 1988: Worked as a marine surveyor and manager for an international cargo inspection company.
1988 to 1996: Started, owned and operated Quantum Marine Inc. a national/international marine surveying and consulting company eventually with 12 employees. Worked as non-exclusive surveyor for IACS member classification society.
1997 to 1999: Sold assets of company and assisted new owners
1999-to date: Providing services to the Maritime Industry as AMSCA, Inc. Activities as outlined above except for some recent short sabbaticals while cruising on own 37 foot sailing vessel. Additionally working as expert assisting attorneys in various types of cases involving business interruption, oil spills, cargo damage, charter party/vessel performance disputes, personal injury, marine mishaps and accidents.
- Certification:** UK Master of a Foreign going Vessel (any tonnage) 1976 certificate No. 117388
Accredited ship inspector (OCIMF and CDI). ISM auditor. Various certificates for short training courses with respect to operations of ship's systems.
- Education:** Professional license courses for 2nd mate, 1st mate and Master (Captain) completed at Brunel Technical College, Bristol and Cardiff, UK. (British Masters License was deemed to be equivalent of US Bachelors Degree in Marine Transportation for immigration and citizenship purposes). Attendance annually of professional seminars to maintain OCIMF and CDI accreditation.
- Professional:** Member of the Nautical Institute and The Energy Institute
- Personal:** Living near Philadelphia, Married. Employed full time with AMSCA, Inc. Activities and Interests: sailing, family, reading, boat maintenance, home improvement.