

Speaker Biographies



The Honourable Paul de Jersey AC Chief Justice of Queensland

Companion of the Order of Australia (2000)

Centenary Medal (2003)

Hon LLD (Qld) (2000)

Life Member Bar Association of Queensland

Secondary education at Anglican Church Grammar School (1961-1965) and then University of Queensland, graduated BA., LL.B.(Hons) 1971; Queensland University Regiment 1966-71 (Commissioned 1969)

Called to the Bar (Queensland) 1971; appointed Her Majesty's Counsel 1981.

At the Bar, a broad general practice with a focus on the commercial field; appeared in constitutional cases before the High Court of Australia; appeared before the Judicial Committee of the Privy Council.

Appointed a Judge of the Supreme Court of Queensland in 1985; Commercial Causes Judge 1986-1989; Chairman, Supreme Court Library Committee 1988-1994; Chairman, Attorney-General's Consultative Committee on Computerised Legal Information Retrieval 1990-1991; Judge constituting the Mental Health Tribunal, 1994-1996; President, Queensland Industrial Court, 1996-1997; Chairman, Law Reform Commission (Qld) 1996-1997.

Appointed Chief Justice of Queensland 17 February 1998.

Chancellor of the Anglican Diocese of Brisbane since 1991; member of the Chapter of St John's Cathedral since 1989; member of the Council of the Anglican Church Grammar School 1990-1997.

President, Australian Cancer Society 1998-2001 (Vice President 1995-1998); Trustee of the National Breast Cancer Foundation 1994-1999; Chairman of the Queensland Cancer Fund 1994-2001.

Member, Centenary of Federation Committee (Queensland), 1998-2002.

Chair, Queensland Constitutional Convention, Gladstone, June 1999.

Geoff Rohan
General Manager Operations, AFMA

Geoff Rohan is General Manager Operations, with the Australian Fisheries Management Authority (AFMA). He is responsible for Commonwealth fisheries compliance and monitoring, fisheries licensing and entitlements, information systems, observer and data collection programs and research administration. Before this, Geoff had been responsible for the management of Commonwealth fisheries in southern Australia, including the orange roughy, general trawl and southern shark fisheries. Geoff's formal training is in economics but he has spent some twenty seven years in fisheries administration, management and compliance with the Commonwealth, South Australia and the Northern Territory.

Geoff has worked closely on the development of fisheries management plans for a variety of fisheries. He has managed the introduction of individual transferable quota schemes, limited entry arrangements and fisheries adjustment arrangements for a number of fisheries. Whilst in charge of fisheries operations matters, Geoff has been closely involved in the introduction of quota documentation (including developing landing and fish processor/marketing product recording systems), vessel monitoring schemes (VMS), risk assessment processes and trade certification measures for international fisheries. Geoff is the Commonwealth fisheries representative on the Australasian National Fisheries Compliance Committee.

Geoff has been a member of Australian delegations involved in international fisheries negotiations, including; the United Nations Fish Stocks Agreement, the Food and Agricultural Organisation's Code of Conduct for Responsible Fisheries, the International Plan of Action to Prevent, Deter and Eliminate Illegal, Unreported and Unregulated Fishing, the development of regional fisheries management arrangements and the Commission for the Conservation of Antarctic Marine Living Resources.

Paul David, Wilson Harle

Paul David is a partner at the firm of Wilson Harle in Auckland. Wilson Harle specialises in commercial litigation, shipping and international trade. Throughout his career he has acted as advocate and adviser in a wide range of maritime and commercial matters. Last year he appeared as counsel for the Russian Federation before the International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea.

Richard J Hein AM
P&O Cruises Australia

Following an initial spell in shipbroking in London, he joined the P&O Group being appointed to the Board of P&O Australia in 1970 with responsibility for Maritime and Energy Services, subsequently also holding responsibility for P&O Cold Storage and Leisure Divisions.

He attended the Harvard AMP programme in the U.S.A. and was appointed Deputy Managing Director in October 1988, Managing Director from 1 January 1990, Chairman and Managing Director of P&O Australia and a Director of The Peninsular & Oriental Steam Navigation Company in London from 1 January 1998. He stepped down from his executive position in June 2002, but continues as Chairman of P&O Australia also P&O Princess Cruises Australia and P&O Resorts.

He is currently a Vice President and a director of the Business Council of Australia, The Business/Higher Education Round Table, the Royal Humane Society of NSW; Chairman of Lloyds Register (Australia) and a non-executive director of Big River Timbers Pty Ltd. He also held non-executive directorships with Prudential (1995/98), HSBC Bank Australia Limited (1996-2002) and Commonwealth Aircraft Corporation (1985/89) and APS Chemicals (2000/1). He is a keen cricket follower and now enjoys golf, racing and music, being a member of The Australian Club, The Victorian Amateur Turf Club, Elanora Country Club, Royal Melbourne and The National Golf Clubs. He was appointed a Member of The Order of Australia this year and was also awarded the Centenary Medal.

Under his leadership P&O Australia experienced rapid growth over the 1990-2002 period to the extent it is now the largest global container terminal operator with 30 terminals in 16 countries. It is also a major cold logistics group both in Australasia and the USA and has a large diversified maritime services division and a portfolio of 7 eco-tourism resorts in Australia. P&O Princess Cruises is the largest cruise Company in Australia and is today part of the Carnival Group. P&O currently has an Australian turnover in excess of \$2.5 billion with some 50% of its profitability arising from its International operations.



Simon Liddy

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Simon's principal areas of practice are aviation, maritime and tourism.

Specific work experience

Marine: Representing P & I Clubs, shipowners, cruise and ferry operators and marine insurers in relation to passenger and third party claims, collisions, marine pollution, industrial activities and boycott activity, ticket and brochure wordings, concession agreements and all aspects of passenger ship operations including commercial aspects.

Aviation: Advising and acting for airlines and other air carriers, manufacturers, maintenance organisations and aviation insurers in relation to passenger, cargo and third party claims, aviation insurance, recovery actions, ticket wordings and contractual arrangements including code- share agreements. Particular experience with large scale incidents involving multiple claimants.

Road transport: Advising and acting for carriers, logistics and warehouse providers and their insurers. All aspects of haulage, storage and crane operations.

Tourism: Advising carriers, travel agents, tour wholesalers, tour operators, resort and hotel operators in relation to liability issues, contractual arrangements, insurance and risk management. Advising ATEC and its members on a wide range of issues.

Memberships and positions

Royal Aeronautical Society.

Aviation Law Association of Australia and New Zealand Ltd (NSW Branch President and National Council Member).

International Marine Transit Association.

Shipping Australia Limited.

Maritime Law Association of Australia and New Zealand Ltd.

Australian Tourism Export Council.

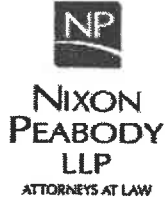
International Forum of Travel and Tourism Advocates.

Publications & seminars

Numerous Aviation Law Bulletins and Maritime Law Bulletins.

Participation in seminars to the Aviation, Marine, Freight Forwarding and Tourism industries on a wide range of issues.

ALAANZ 2002 Conference: Presented paper on Deep Vein Thrombosis



Ann Gray Miller

Ann Miller is a partner with the US law firm of Nixon Peabody LLP, resident in their San Francisco office. She is admitted to practice law in all of the state and federal courts of California.

Ann's practice includes counseling and dispute resolution (litigation, arbitration and mediation) for foreign and domestic clients, particularly in the hospitality/cruise, maritime and insurance industries, in a variety of matters, such as general commercial, employment, technology and risk management. She is a trained mediator and arbitrator. Her representation of the London insurance market, other European markets and the domestic market includes insurance coverage analysis and dispute resolution in matters involving business interruption, construction, maritime and other casualties, and technology failures. She also handles bad faith and other disputes between insurers and insureds. She has spoken widely on dispute resolution, cruise, maritime and insurance law matters.

Ann has served in various management positions in the firm, including as a member of the Executive Committee, Marketing Partner, Associate Matters Partner and Hiring Partner. She participates extensively in client development/marketing and client relationship management, and has spoken internationally and in the US on substantive areas of the law and on effective handling of disputes, particularly mediation, risk management, marketing and other law firm management issues.

Ann is an active member of the International Bar Association, the Inter-Pacific Bar Association, the Maritime Law Association of the United States, the Computer Law Association, the Association for Conflict Resolution, the Defense Research Institute and various committees of the American Bar Association. She has served as chair of the Passenger Vessel and Cruise Committee of the MLA; been a member of the Ninth Circuit Judicial Nominating committee and various state and local judicial selection committees; and has held many local and national bar association offices in addition to serving on the boards of directors of various non profit organizations.

Ann holds a J.D. in law from the University of San Francisco and is admitted to practice law in the state and federal courts in California.

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Kate Lewins

B.Juris., LLB. from University of Western Australia (1988). LLM in maritime law from Southampton University (1991).

Before joining academia in 1997, Kate was a senior associate at the transport and insurance division of the Perth office of Phillips Fox. She practised primarily in the areas of marine insurance, carriage of goods and general transport.

At Murdoch University, Kate teaches maritime law, insurance law, commercial law (including trade practices law), as well as court procedure. Kate has written several articles on topics related to carriage, sub bailment, marine insurance and admiralty.

The Hon. Justice James Allsop

Justice James Allsop graduated from Sydney University as a Bachelor of Arts in 1974 and as a Bachelor of Laws with First Class Honours in 1980. He was admitted to the New South Wales Bar in July 1981 where he practiced in commercial law, including admiralty and maritime law.

Various during the 1980s, he was a tutor in equity and real property and lecturer in bankruptcy and insolvency at Sydney University. Since 2000 he has taught as an adjunct lecturer post-graduate course at Sydney University on company law.

He was appointed a Senior Counsel in New South Wales in 1994 and was appointed a Judge of the Federal Court on 7 May 2001. He is a member of the Federal Court's national Admiralty Committee and one of the five resident Sydney judges who make up the Admiralty Panel in Sydney which deals with all matters at first instance under the Admiralty Act begun in the New South Wales Registry.

The Hon. Justice Palmer

The Hon Justice George Palmer has been a Judge of the Supreme Court of New South Wales since 2001. He sits in the Equity Division and, in addition to the General List, he is regularly assigned to the Commercial List and the Corporations List. He was appointed Admiralty List Judge earlier this year.

After graduating B.A. LL.B. in 1970, he specialised as a solicitor in mining and oil exploration work and public securities, and became a partner of his firm in 1972. He was called to the Sydney Bar in 1974 and his practice was mainly in the commercial field. He has appeared in most of the litigation arising out of the large corporate collapses of the last twenty years. He took silk in 1986 and was appointed as an Acting Judge in the Commercial List of the Supreme Court in 1991.

He is Chairman of the Supreme Court Admiralty Rules Committee and is a member of the Joint Federal Court/Supreme Court Admiralty Rules Committee.

Professor Martin Davies

Professor Martin Davies is Admiralty Law Institute Professor of Maritime Law at Tulane Law School in New Orleans and Co-Director of the Tulane Maritime Law Center. He also acts as a consultant to the Trade and Transport Group of Blake Dawson Waldron and is a Professorial Fellow of The University of Melbourne. He holds the degrees of MA and BCL from Oxford University, England, and an LLM from Harvard Law School.

He is co-author, with Anthony Dickey QC, of the Australian text-book *Shipping Law*, the third edition of which will be published by LawBook in 2004. He is also author (or co-author) of books on international trade law, conflict of laws, and the law of torts. He has extensive practical experience as a consultant in maritime matters and general international litigation in the United States and Australia: he has advised on cargo claims, arrest and admiralty matters, drafting bills of lading, sea waybills and charterparties, collisions and limitation of liability, oil pollution, salvage, marine insurance, maritime arbitrations and international sale of goods.

Michael Julian

Mr Julian retired from the Australian Maritime Safety Authority (AMSA) in March 2002 and established his own company Michael H Julian Pty. Ltd. The company specialises in marine environment protection and maritime safety services.

Mr Julian is the Executive Director of the Australian Marine Environment Protection Association (AUSMEPA) and Executive Officer of the Australasian Network of Maritime Education and Training.

Prior to leaving AMSA Mr Julian held the position of Executive Manager International Relations, in this position his main responsibilities were related to his role as Chairman of the International Maritime Organization's Marine Environment Protection Committee (MEPC).

Mr Julian was first elected Chairman of MEPC in September 1997 and was re-elected each subsequent year until he stepped down at the end of 2002.

Prior to his election to Chairman he was the leader of the Australian delegation to the Marine Environment Protection Committee from 1990 to 1997.

Before his appointment to International Relations Mr Julian headed AMSA's Marine Environment Protection Services, responsible for the protection of Australia's marine environment from pollution caused by shipping, a position he held since the commencement of AMSA in January 1991.

Prior to his appointment to AMSA Mr Julian worked in the Department of Transport for 15 years in a number of maritime safety areas including Search and Rescue and as the Department's Regional Director in Victoria.

Before joining the Australian Commonwealth Public Service Mr Julian undertook a 15 years sea going career with the Peninsular and Oriental Steam Navigation Company (UK).

Mr Julian has a Certificate of Competency as Master (Foreign Going) and a Bachelor of Arts Degree (Administration).

Alfred Popp QC

Alfred Popp, QC, is Senior General Counsel, Maritime Law Secretariat, Department of Justice Canada, in Ottawa. He is the current Chairman of the Legal Committee, International Maritime Organisation (IMO), a post he has held since March 1993. He has chaired numerous diplomatic conferences, notably, in 1992 (92 Protocols), 1996 (HNS Convention) and 2001 (Bunkers Convention) and, most recently, in May 2003, Protocol for a Supplementary Fund.

He chairs the IOPC Fund Working Group aimed at revising the 1992 IOPC Fund Compensation scheme. Mr. Popp received his BA and his LLB at Rhodes University, Grahamstown, South Africa and his LLM at the University of Ottawa. He is a member of the Bar of British Columbia and a Titulary Member of the Comité maritime international (CMI).

Russell Kilvington Maritime Safety Authority of New Zealand

Russell Kilvington, Director of Maritime Safety, joined MSA shortly after its creation, on 1 November 1993.

For the previous seven years he was a Director of both UK and New Zealand based international transport planning consultants, Steer Davies Gleave. Between 1990 and 1994 he was an International Vice President of the Chartered Institute of Transport and subsequently was Chairman of the New Zealand National Council for a two year period between 1997 and 1999.

He has tertiary and professional qualifications in transport, economics and planning.

Other previous experience includes five years as Deputy Director of the Transport Studies Unit at Oxford University and the establishment, in the United Kingdom, of the first undergraduate degree in transport studies at Loughborough University.

Captain John Lee-Richards
Maritime Safety Authority of New Zealand

John is a Foreign Going Master who, on coming ashore, spent a number of years in the port industry in marine operations, as well as marketing and stevedoring.

His first shore based oil spill response involved equipment deployment at a refinery port in the late 70's.

In recent years he was an On Scene Commander for oil spills in Northland, New Zealand as well as filling the role of Deputy Harbour Master for that region before becoming an employee of the Maritime Safety Authority in 1999.

His present position is that of Divisional Manager, Marine Pollution Response Services, a division within the MSA, and he is also the National On Scene Commander.

John Burton, Izard Weston

John Burton has been a partner of the Wellington firm Izard Weston since 1994. Prior to that he worked in private practice with firms in Christchurch, Wellington and London.

John has specialised in maritime law for the last 15 years. He acts for private and public sector clients in both litigious and transactional matters.

He has been the external legal adviser to the Maritime Safety Authority since its inception in 1993 and deals with all legal requirements of that Crown Entity, including prosecutions and commercial matters arising from the Authority's day-to-day operations.

During the 10 years he has advised the MSA he has had close involvement with a number of shipping casualties in which command and control issues have arisen. These include the "Dong Won 529", "Jody F Millenium" and "Tai Ping" incidents. John was also the legal adviser to a consultative committee established by MSA that had responsibility for recommending salvage command and control structures appropriate to New Zealand circumstances.

James F Wall CMG

Frank Wall is Head of Shipping Policy 2 Division at the United Kingdom's Department for Transport responsible for policy on UK's shipping industry, maritime safety, pollution prevention and response and search and rescue.

He has worked in the shipping field for some 19 years and has represented the UK on the IMO Council and Assembly and at the IMO Legal, Maritime Safety and Marine Environment Protection Committees as well as at the International Oil Pollution Compensation Funds.

In 2002 he chaired the Maritime Safety Committee's Maritime Security Working Group which developed, and the Committee of the Whole at December's Diplomatic Conference which adopted, the IMO's new maritime security requirements.

He was awarded the USCG's Distinguished Public Service Award and the IMO has also awarded Frank the International Maritime Prize for 2002.

Andrew Tongue

Commonwealth Department of Transport and Regional Services

Andrew Tongue is the First Assistant Secretary responsible for the recently created Transport Security Division in the Commonwealth Department of Transport and Regional Services.

The Division has broad responsibility for transport security issues including the existing aviation security regime, the new maritime security regime and the development of a National Transport Security Strategy.

Andrew has many years experience in the Australian Public Service and has worked in a number of departments.

Wayne Taratoa

Wayne Taratoa was educated in New Zealand and after serving 14 years in the Royal New Zealand Air Force, immigrated to Australia in 1981 and commenced employment in the security industry.

Wayne has held senior management positions in the security industry including Manager Special Services, Security Patrol Manager, State Operations Manager and State Marketing Manager in Queensland, Australia.

In 1988 he was invited to develop security officer training courses for a private University in New Zealand and successfully designed and facilitated training courses at the Royal New Zealand Police College until returning to Australia in 1991.

Wayne returned to the private security industry prior to establishing and developing a privately owned security company servicing major clientele including the Port of Brisbane.

In 2002, Wayne was offered and accepted his current position, Manager Security Services, Port of Brisbane Corporation, responsible for Security Services and the development of security to ensure the Port of Brisbane Corporation and Port of Brisbane Port Facilities have the ability to comply with International and National Mandatory and Legislated security requirements.

Wayne attended the International Maritime Organisation's International Port and Ship Security Workshop in 2002 and was a delegate at the IMO's Conference held in Singapore during January of 2003.

Wayne was the recipient of the International Association of Airport and Seaport Police award for "Leadership in Homeland Security" at the IAASP Conference hosted by the Los Angeles World Airports and Port of Los Angeles during May 2003 and was appointed the Associations Vice President Asia/Australia Region during July 2003.

The Honourable John Sharp

John Sharp is originally from a farming and business background. He is a very keen aviator and served 14 years from 1984-1998 in the House of Representatives of the National Parliament. Most of that time was spent on the federal coalition's front bench as a Shadow Minister and later as Minister for Transport and Regional Development and a member of Cabinet between 1989 to 1997.

During this time John became well known and respected for his role in promoting aviation safety and was responsible for numerous reforms within the sector including a complete rewrite of the aviation regulations to simplify them. He was also responsible for considerable reforms within the Australian National Railways.

Following his retirement from Parliament in 1998 John Sharp established his own high level transport consulting company, Thenford Consulting. John is currently a Director of Eurocopter International Pacific and Australian Aerospace. Chairman Aviation Safety Foundation Australia. He is also involved in a number of voluntary organisations:

- *Trustee and Board Member of John McKeown House
- *Honorary Federal Secretary, National Party of Australia
- *Member of the Partnership Committee National Trust of Australia NSW
- *Board member Winifred West Schools Foundation.

The Honorable Peter Morris

Mr. Morris represented the electorate of Shortland [southern environs of Newcastle] in the Australian House of Representatives from 1972 until 1998.

His service included:

- Seven years as Federal Shadow Minister for Transport. He was responsible for the development of Labor's Transport Policies at the election of the Hawke Government in 1983.
- Seven years as Minister across a range of portfolios principally in transport and industrial relations. He served as a member of Cabinet from September 1988 until April 1990.
- Then followed six years as Chairman of the House of Representatives Transport Committee that produced the Ships of Shame reports and major reports on waterfront efficiency, general aviation safety, the radio frequency spectrum, road construction and maintenance.
- He has an extensive background in all forms of transport and is currently the Chairman of the International Commission on Shipping.[ICONS].
- He chaired the International Commission on Shipping's worldwide inquiry into sub standard shipping .Its report-Ships, Slaves and Competition was presented on 7 March 2001 at the APEC Symposium on Safe Shipping in the Asia-Pacific Region in Sydney. The report received positive and constructive responses across the world.
- He and John Sharp former Minister for Transport in the Howard government are in the final stages of an Independent Review of Australian Shipping (I R A S).
- He is a Fellow of the Chartered Institute of Logistics and Transport and a Fellow of the Nautical Institute, London.

Lachlan Payne
Chief Executive – Australia Shipowners Association

Lachlan Payne was appointed Chief Executive of the Australian National Maritime Association in 1987 and subsequently the Australian Shipowners Association in 1994.

Mr. Payne has over twenty-four years experience in industrial relations and shipping industry policy development and implementation, first as Chief Industrial Officer for the shipping industry employers' industrial organisation and subsequently as Chief Executive of the national shipowners' association.

Within Australia, Mr. Payne chairs the Australian Maritime Safety Authority Advisory Committee and also chairs the National Seafarers' Welfare Advisory Council.

Internationally, Mr. Payne is a Member of the Joint Maritime Commission of the International Labour Organisation, a member of the ILO High Level Working Group on the revision of maritime instruments and is a Council Member of the International Shipping Federation.