

CML Shipping Law Update: Cases in 2024

by

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ABOUT THE EVENT

The short course will include consideration of appellate-level decisions on *force majeure* (*MUR Shipping*); on misdelivery and time bars (*The Giant Ace*); on limitation under the LLMC 1976 (*The MSC Flaminia*); and on a salvage sale and a seller claiming against the carrier having compensated and taken assignment from the buyer (*The Doric Valour*). The main focus will include several first instance judgments: on fixture recaps (*The MV Aquafreedom*); on collision liability following a vessel dragging anchor (*The Kiran Australia* and *The Belpareil*); on clean B/Ls and fraudulently declared cargo (*The Maersk Klaipeda*); on the measure of damages for late redelivery (*The Skyros* and *Agias Minas*); on limitation under the LLMC and meaning of 'shipowner' and 'charterer' (*The X-press Pearl*); on misdelivery and LOIs and whether the B/L holder would have consented to delivery (*The Maersk Katalin*); on the effect of a Himalaya clause and exclusive jurisdiction clause (*Maersk Guinea-Bissau*); and on title to sue and the effect of switching B/Ls (*The Jeil Crystal*). Some of the cases are considered in detail; others will be highlighted but not discussed closely. Care will be taken to illustrate how the cases develop, resolve, or raise further questions on the development of the law in this field.

ABOUT THE SPEAKER

Professor Stephen Girvin is a tenured full Professor of Law at the National University of Singapore, MPA Professor of Maritime Law, and Director of the internationally known Centre for Maritime Law (CML). He is the author of *Carriage of Goods by Sea 3rd edn* (Oxford University Press 2022), a co-editor (with Professor Vibe Ulfbeck) of *Maritime Organisation, Management and Liability: A Legal Analysis of New Challenges in the Maritime Industry* (Hart Publishing 2021) and *Carbon-free shipping and Shipping Carbon* (Hart Publishing 2024), and a co-author of *Carver on Charterparties 3rd edn* (Sweet & Maxwell 2024).

He is the general editor of the forthcoming 6-volume *Elgar Encyclopedia of Maritime and Oceans Law* (Edward Elgar Publishing 2026). Stephen is the Singapore correspondent for *Lloyd's Maritime & Commercial Law Quarterly* and a member of the Editorial Boards of the *Journal of International Maritime Law* (Lawtext) and *The Transnational Commercial Law Review* (Queen Mary, University of London). He was a contributing member of the editorial committee of the *International Maritime and Commercial Law Yearbook* (Informa Law from Routledge) 2002-2020.

Stephen speaks regularly at international conferences, in recent years in Bangkok, Beijing, Dalian, Dubai, Greensboro (NC), Hong Kong, Panama, Rio de Janeiro, Sapporo, Seoul, Shanghai, Sydney, Tokyo, Wuhan, and Xiamen, and in Aberdeen, Athens, Bergen, Brussels, Cape Town, Copenhagen, Hamburg, London, Milan, Oslo, Ravenna, Rotterdam, and Stockholm. He is a member of the Singapore Maritime Law Association and the British Maritime Law Association, a Supporting Member of the London Maritime Arbitrators Association, an Associate Fellow of the Nautical Institute (AFNI), and a Fellow of the Royal Society of Arts (FRSA).

WHO SHOULD ATTEND

Lawyers, In-house counsel and legal officers working in the maritime industry and in commercial trade, ship owners, banks and financial institutions, freight forwarders, traders, charterers, forwarders and those handling claims arising in maritime and commercial contexts.

VENUE

M Hotel Singapore
81 Anson Road,
Singapore 079908

DATE AND TIME

Thursday, 15 May 2025
14:30 to 17:45

EVENT PROGRAMME

14:00 : Registration/Welcome
14:30 : Seminar Part I
16:00 : Break
16:15 : Seminar Part II
17:45 : End of Event

Registration Fee – S\$327.00

Early Bird (register before 30 April 2025) – S\$163.50

All fees inclusive of 9% GST

Register at <https://bit.ly/CMLSC250515>
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