

CML Shipping Law Update: Cases in 2025

by

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ABOUT THE EVENT

The short-course will consider appellate-level decisions concerning carrier responsibility, due diligence and limitation of liability (*Budget Marine Ltd v Astimewa Sdn Bhd*); head-on situations under the COLREGS (*Re Kiveli & Afina I*); the measure of damages for late delivery under a time charterparty where no loss of future charterparty (*The Skyros & Agios Minas*); the location of repossession under the Barecon 2001 charterparty (*Songa Product & Chemical Tankers III AS v Kairos S II*). Trial cases to be considered include: off-hire clauses and the effect of crew testing positive for Covid-19 (*The Sagar Ratan*); implied indemnities in time charterparties (*The Grand Amanda*); limitation of liability under the LLMC 1976/1996 (*Réseau de Transport D'Électricité v Costain*); seaworthiness (*The Happy Aras*); and on salvage (*SD Rebel BV v Elise Tankschiffart KG*). Some of the cases will be considered in detail; others will be highlighted but not discussed closely. Care will be taken to illustrate how the new 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 Centre for Maritime Law (CML). He is the author of *Carriage of Goods by Sea* 3rd edn (Oxford, 2022) (4th edn due in 2027), 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 2021/2022), a co-author of *Carver on Charterparties* 3rd edn (Sweet & Maxwell 2024) and co-editor of *Carbon-Free Shipping and Shipping Carbon: Contracts in Context* (Hart Publishing 2024/2026). Stephen is also the general editor of the *Elgar Encyclopedia of Maritime and Oceans Law* (6 vols), to be published in 2027.



Stephen is the Singapore correspondent for *Lloyd's Maritime & Commercial Law Quarterly* and a member of the Editorial Board of the *Journal of International Maritime Law* (Lawtext). He was also a contributing member of the editorial committee of the *International Maritime and Commercial Law Yearbook* (Informa) 2002-2020.

Stephen speaks regularly at international conferences, in recent years in Beijing, Dalian, Hong Kong, Panama, Rio de Janeiro, Sapporo, Seoul, Shanghai, Sydney, and Tokyo, and in Aberdeen, Bergen, Copenhagen, Dubai, Gothenburg, Greensboro (NC), Hamburg, London, New York, Oslo, Piraeus, 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, a Fellow of the Royal Society of Arts (FRSA), and an Associate Fellow of the Nautical Institute (AFNI). In 2026, he was elected a non-seagoing member of the Honourable Company of Master Mariners in the City of London.

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.

Registration Fee – S\$327.00
Early Bird (register before 24 April 2026) – S\$163.50
All fees inclusive of 9% GST

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Closing Date: 4 May 2026

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PROGRAMME

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



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Training Level: General