

THE MARITIME LAW ASSOCIATION OF THE UNITED STATES



CMI Newsletter June 2026

The Maritime Law Association of the United States (MLAUS) held its Annual Meeting on May 1, 2026 in New York City which was well attended by its members from across the nation. At this meeting we thanked President Grady Hurley for his two-year service and installed new Officers including President James F. Moseley, Jr. who will serve his two-year term. During the Spring meeting, the Alternative Dispute Resolution and Arbitration Committee held an extensive seminar over two days in honor of the 100th Anniversary of the Federal Arbitration Act. During the week, well over twenty Committees held substantive meetings addressing significant developments and addressing various issues concerning maritime law in the United States. The MLAUS is also celebrated the 250th anniversary of the Declaration of Independence and celebrated National Law Day on May 1st.

This last March in Charleston South Carolina many members of the MLAUS participated in the Judge John Brown National Moot Court Competition as Judges. This Competition brought law students from all over the nation and gave MLAUS members a chance to mentor and meet the next generation of maritime lawyers.

The MLAUS sent a large delegation to the CMI in Rio De Janeiro. The delegation was led by President James Moseley and consisted of Immediate Past President Grady Hurley and MLAUS member Philip A. Buhler. MLAUS members remain actively involved in CMI activities including Marine Finance, Offshore Wind, the Arctic and other international working groups. The MLAUS is also participating in CMI surveys.

Our Committees will continue to work hard over the summer. Our Board of Directors will have its summer meeting in August.

In the Fall 2026, the MLAUS will meet once again at the beautiful Greenbrier Resort in West Virginia. For more information, visit mlaus.org.



The 2025-2026 MLAUS Officers and Board of Directors



In-House Counsel panel: Briton Sparkman, Jim Hohenstein (moderator), Chris Nolan, Casey O'Brien, Stephanie Penninger, Carrol Hand



MLAUS Delegation at CMI in Rio De Janeiro Philip Buhler, James Moseley and Grady Hurley



President James F. Moseley, Jr. and Officers at Spring New York Meeting



President Moseley speaking at the Candadian Maritime Law Association during their 75th Anniversary