

# Lugenbuhl, Wheaton, Peck, Rankin & Hubbard

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A LAW CORPORATION

## **SCOTT RODGER WHEATON, JR.**

### **RECOGNITION**

- Rated AV Preeminent by Martindale-Hubbell
- SuperLawyers –Transportation/Maritime

### **TRANSACTIONS**

- Drafting commercial agreements, including vessel charters, distributor agreements, shipyard construction contracts.
- Asset sale of towing company approximately \$35 million
- Corporate reorganization engine distributor annual sales \$35 million.
- Buy out of membership interest inclusive of towing company \$11 million.
- Purchase of foreign flag DP2 vessel for refitting and flag in Mexico \$26 million.
- Buy out of one-half interest in Panamanian vessel reflagged in Mexico.
- Multiple purchases of U.S. flagged vessels for export and reflagging in Mexico.
- Draft and review of Master Service Agreements for allocation of risks and indemnities.

### **LITIGATION**

- Commercial litigation.
- Defense of trustee in litigation by beneficiaries over control, administration of closely held entity.
- Defense of reality show producers for claims of assault and battery by contestant.
- Defense of cargo interest for claims of death and personal injury arising out of mid-Atlantic explosion of vessel.
- Prosecution of claims against U.S. Government for improper marking of wrecks.
- Defense of claims by U.S. Trustee in bankruptcy.
- Defense of owner in with sinking of vessels, loss of life and denial of insurance coverage.
- Defense and prosecution of claims for maritime insurance coverage.
- Defense and prosecution of insurance agent for errors and omissions.
- Investigation of insurance claims, marine and general liability.
- Defense of wrongful death claim alleged to have been caused by mold exposure.
- Defense and prosecution of property damage claims.
- Defense of maritime personal injury claims.
- Defense and prosecution of engine claims.
- Defense of yacht manufacturer in fire related insurance coverage claims. (\$20 million)
- Defense and prosecution of vessel seizures.
- Prosecution of oil well and public works liens.

- Defense of small boat operator striking swimmer.