



Cargo Claims, GA and Traps for the Unwary

with
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Time: 12noon to 1pm followed by buffet luncheon

Venue: Baltic Exchange, St Mary Axe, London EC3

Subject: This market briefing will highlight difficulties in dealing with unusual cargo claims, examining the consequences for both underwriters and assureds

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In addition to contesting the threat of natural and man-made hazards, global companies also face an increasingly complex risk landscape which can result in unexpected consequences for cargo assureds and their insurers when a casualty occurs.

This market briefing will highlight firstly how substantial cargo claims can turn on small points of principle, sometimes to the assured's disadvantage and sometimes to the insurers'. From a legal perspective, it also looks at the traps that lie in wait for the unwary cargo interest when it comes to wordings in GA guarantees and Club letters of undertaking, title to sue issues and other related areas that can affect either the insurers' liability or prejudice their rights of recovery under subrogation.

Speakers:

Keith Sturges, Fellow of the Association of Average Adjusters: Keith joined E.R. Lindley in 1975 and spent 15 years working on cargo claims. In 1990 he became a Fellow of the Association of Average Adjusters and handled a portfolio of hull and machinery, general average and collision claims. He is currently a director of Richards Hogg Lindley, part of Charles Taylor Adjusting, and his present responsibilities include, alongside traditional hull adjusting, managing RHL's Piraeus office, supervising the training of RHL's younger adjusters and managing a team within Charles Taylor Adjusting that deals with a wide variety of marine cargo claims. He recently revised the cargo section in the 5th edition of the popular market reference book "Marine Insurance Clauses".

Mark Meredith, Marine Manager, Waltons & Morse LLP: Mark is widely experienced in many varied types of casualty cases involving LOF, General Average, collisions and contractual disputes, predominantly acting on behalf of cargo insurers and cargo reinsurers. In addition to this, Mark has considerable experience in marine insurance policy disputes and claims recoverable thereunder. Prior to joining Waltons & Morse LLP, Mark spent a number of years with an international marine transit consultancy firm and has spent time working in both the Singaporean and New York marine

markets. Originally, Mark began his career in the marine field with a major international city law firm, working within the Marine Casualty Department.

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