

**BYLAWS  
OF THE  
UNIVERSITY OF MIAMI SCHOOL OF LAW  
MARITIME LAW SOCIETY**

**Prologue**

The University of Miami School of Law Maritime Law Society (hereinafter "MLS") is a student organization dedicated to introducing students to the field of Maritime Law.

**Article I**

**Section I – Mission**

The mission of the MLS is to provide students with a forum to exchange ideas with attorneys, judges, professors, and alumni who are interested in the study and practice of Maritime Law.

**Section II – Membership**

Membership in the MLS is open to any student currently enrolled at the University of Miami School of Law, any adjunct or full-time faculty member and any member of the administration. Members are considered active if they have paid the annual membership dues.

**Section III – Faculty Advisor**

The Faculty Advisor of the MLS shall be either a full-time faculty member or adjunct professor of the University of Miami School of Law, according to the requirements of the University.

**Article II**

**Section I – Officers**

The MLS shall have the following officers: Admiral, Vice-Admiral, Secretary, and Treasurer. Collectively these officers shall comprise the Executive Board.

**Section II – Duties**

The MLS Officers shall have the following duties:

**Admiral:** The Admiral is the Chief Executive of the MLS. The Admiral shall preside over all general membership meetings and executive board meetings. The Admiral shall supervise all activities of the MLS. The Admiral shall have a veto power over any club expenditure, but this veto may be overturned by a majority vote of the Executive Board. The Admiral shall serve as the Alumni Advisor in the year following the year of service as Admiral, to ensure a smooth transition to the incoming Executive Board.

#### **Article IV**

##### **Amendments**

Any active member of the MLS may propose amendments to these by-laws. Any amendment ratified by two-thirds of the active members shall take effect immediately upon ratification.

#### **Article V**

##### **Ratification and Effective Date**

These By-laws shall take effect immediately upon ratification by two-thirds of the active members present at a meeting called for this purpose.