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### **OUALIFICATIONS**

Master Marine (Foreign Going) Certificate.

Bachelor of Science (Hons.) from the University of Southampton. A number of management related certificates, notably the Certified Diploma in Finance and Accounting.

# **PROFESSIONAL BODIES**

Fellow of the Nautical Institute Liveryman, The Worshipful Company of Shipwrights Fellow of the International Institute for marine Surveying

## **SUMMARY OF EXPERIENCE**

#### **ADMINISTRATIVE:**

FORMERLY CHAIRMAN OF MURRAY FENTON & ASSOCIATES LIMITED WITH OVERALL RESPONSIBILITY FOR ALL COMPANY AFFAIRS. (1980 TO 1999)

 $1^{ST}$  September 1999 Chairman of BMT Murray Fenton Ltd.

 $29^{\text{TH}}$  March 2001 Chief Executive Officer of BMT Salvage Limited (The Salvage Association)

 $1^{\rm ST}$  October 2005 Chief Executive BMT Surveys Limited; Chairman BMT Murray Fenton Limited

August 2006 to December 2007, Director Development, BMT Limited 2008 ONWARDS, CONSULTING ON SPECIFIC INDIVIDUAL CASES.

## **PROFESSIONAL:**

The Murray Fenton London office opened in July 1980 and considerable experience was gained in all manner of surveying and consultancy spheres.

As an expert witness there have been appearances in some 70 cases since 1981 in: UK, High Court and Commercial Arbitrations; USA, Federal and District Courts; Canada, Dubai, Sweden, Sudan and Australia (Federal).

Routine cargo damage surveys formed the initial core surveying experience and this has developed into major casualty causation and response activities, particularly those involving oil pollution, salvage or wreck removal. Attendance at over 60 major casualties world-wide has provided a unique background into the mechanics of onscene casualty response.

The 60 or so Casualties attended include: "GALAXY II" (1982, Libya) "TIFOSO" (1983, Bermuda) "SEALUCK" (1984, Bermuda) and more recently: "PATMOS" (1985/6, Italy) "CHOYANG MOSCOW" (1992, Germany) "HAVEN" (1991, Italy) "UCKA" (1994, Brazil) "BALTIK" (1994, Iran) "SYRVE" (1994, Turkey) "CASON", "ARIADNE", "NASSIA"/ "SHIPBROKER", "KOWLOON BRIDGE", "BRAER", "BORGA", "SEA EMPRESS" (1996, U.K.), "IRVING WHALE", "VIKARTINDUR" (1997, Iceland),

"ACONCAGUA" (1999, Ecuador), "HYUNDAI SPIRIT" (1999, South Korea), "ERIKA" (2000, France), PRESTIGE (2004 Spain), DIAMOND PRINCESS (Japan 2002).

The class of casualty attended includes fires (working with Fire Experts), collisions, structural failures (working with Naval Architects and Metallurgists), groundings, capsize and flooding.

Attendances have included interviewing crew and detailed investigation into causation. Where required expert evidence experience in port/berth safety has been gained in a number of geographical areas: Nigeria, Lybia, Egypt, Rio Orinoco, Maracaibo, Parana River, Gladstone, Hamburg and in many instances where the navigational properties of a port have been a factor in causation investigation.

Experience in dealing with distressed bulk cargoes, coal, sugar, fertiliser, sulphur and iron ore. Includes damaged cargo and cargo transfers.

Yacht surveys in several countries including UK, Antigua and Dubai. As CEO at the Salvage Association remained responsible for the small craft and yacht surveys undertaken.

Geographically, site experience has been obtained in many countries, notably; UK, USA, Canada, all Coastal European Countries, West Africa, Brazil, Ecuador, Surinam, Costa Rica, Peru, Taiwan, Fiji, Singapore, New Zealand, Libya, Egypt, Israel, Turkey, Iran, India, Sudan, Somalia, Bermuda and a number of Caribbean Islands.

Instructions have been received from the E.U. Commission, Spanish, Irish and UK Governments, One commission for the UK Department of Transport comprised a study into the provision of emergency towing round the UK Coast; this report was referred to by Lord Donaldson in his report "Safer Ships, Cleaner Seas". Appointed to the panel of SCRs. Involvement in "MARCHIONESS" / "BOWBELLE" Formal Investigation, dealing specifically with river navigation..mounting and auxiliary engines preventive maintenance as per preventive maintenance schedule as Engineer officer on board ship.

Performing the breakdown maintenance and preventive maintenance of compressor, purifiers and pumps as per preventive maintenance schedule as an Engineer officer on board ship.

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