

**NOAA Office of General Counsel International Section**  
**Issues Covered in Alphabetical Order**  
**(Revised as of October 13, 2020)**

Antarctic Issues-*Rebecca Reese*

- Antarctic Treaty System

Arctic Issues-*Peter Oppenheimer*

- Arctic Council
- Arctic Regional Hydrographic Commission
- U.S. Interagency Arctic Policy Group

Biological Diversity-*Derek Campbell*

- Convention on Biological Diversity
- UN Negotiations on Biological Diversity Beyond National Jurisdiction (BBNJ)

Data Buoys-*Peter Oppenheimer, Iris Lowery*

Great Lakes-*Maura Sullivan*

Heritage (cultural)-*Peter Oppenheimer, Iris Lowery*

- Admiralty Jurisdiction and Maritime Law
- Shipwrecks such as RMS *Titanic*

Intergovernmental Oceanic Commission-*Peter Oppenheimer*

International Arrangements and Agreements (Case-Zablocki Act)-*Peter Oppenheimer, Iris Lowery*

International Fisheries-*Derek Campbell*

- Illegal Unreported and Unregulated Fishing
- Port State Measures
- Regional Fisheries Management Organizations (RFMOs)
- Other International Fisheries Instruments and Negotiation (e.g., UN Fish Stocks Agreement)
- UN General Assembly Fisheries Resolution

International Union for the Conservation of Nature-*Maura Sullivan*

- Underwater Noise
- Marine Debris/Marine Litter

Large Marine Ecosystem (LME) Project-*Iris Lowery*

- Caribbean LME
- Gulf LME

**NOAA Office of General Counsel International Section**  
**Issues Covered in Alphabetical Order**  
**(Revised as of October 13, 2020)**

Law of the Sea Convention-*All*

- Annual Maritime Law Bilateral Meetings-*Rebecca Reese*
- Dispute Settlement-*Derek Campbell*
- Extended Continental Shelf-*Maura Sullivan*
- Interpretation, Accession & Implementation-*Peter Oppenheimer*
- Major Maritime Powers-*Peter Oppenheimer*
- Meeting of States Parties-*Derek Campbell*
- Related International Instruments Regarding Marine Environmental Protection-*Peter Oppenheimer*
- U.S. Baseline Committee-*Maura Sullivan*
- UN General Assembly Oceans Resolution-*Peter Oppenheimer*

London Dumping Convention/London Protocol-*Maura Sullivan*

- Artificial Reefs
- Underwater Noise

Marine Debris/Marine Litter-*Rebecca Reese*

Marine Scientific Research-*Peter Oppenheimer, Derek Campbell, Iris Lowery*

Protected Resources

- Convention on Migratory Species-*Derek Campbell*
- Inter-American Convention for the Protection and Conservation of Sea Turtles-*Derek Campbell*
- Seabirds-Agreement on the Conservation of Albatrosses and Petrels-*Peter Oppenheimer*

Sea Level Rise-*Peter Oppenheimer, Maura Sullivan*

Seabed Management-*Peter Oppenheimer, Iris Lowery, Derek Campbell*

- Submarine Cables

Seabed Management-International Seabed Authority-*Iris Lowery*

Seaward Limits of U.S. Laws-*Peter Oppenheimer, Maura Sullivan, Iris Lowery*

Ships, Marine Environmental Impact-*Rebecca Reese, Peter Oppenheimer*

- Anti-fouling Convention
- Aquatic Nuisance Species (*i.e.*, Ballast Water and Biofouling)
- Coastal State Authority to Regulate Ships
- IMO Area-Based Management “Tools” (PSSAs, ATBAs, Special Areas, Ship Routing & Reporting, No-Anchoring Areas, Vessel Traffic Services)
- International Convention for the Prevention of Pollution from Ships (MARPOL)
- Port Entry and International Law
- Safety of Non-SOLAS Vessels, Including Fishing Vessels

**NOAA Office of General Counsel International Section**  
**Issues Covered in Alphabetical Order**  
**(Revised as of October 13, 2020)**

- Ship Strikes of Cetaceans
- Sovereign Immunity & International Law

Trade and Environment-*Derek Campbell and Rebecca Reese*

- Free Trade Agreements
- International Fisheries Instruments with Trade Provisions
- Regional and Bilateral Free Trade Agreements and Negotiations
- U.S. Natural Resources Laws with Trade Provisions (*e.g.*, High Seas Driftnet Fishing Moratorium Protection Act, Marine Mammal Protection Act, Dolphin Protection Consumer Information Act, Pelly Amendment)
- World Trade Organization (WTO) Agreements and Negotiations
- WTO Fisheries Subsidies Negotiations

Underwater Noise-*Rebecca Reese, Peter Oppenheimer, Maura Sullivan*

Uncrewed Maritime Systems-*Peter Oppenheimer, Iris Lowery*

- NOAA GC UxS Team
- Data Buoys

Zones & Boundaries-*Peter Oppenheimer*

- Delimitation of Maritime Zones