

**NOAA Office of General Counsel International
Section Issues Covered in Alphabetical Order**
(Revised as of May 29, 2019)

- Antarctic Issues – *Rebecca Reese*
- Arctic Issues - *Peter Oppenheimer*
 - Arctic Council and its Working Groups (in particular PAME)
 - U.S. Interagency Arctic Policy Group (APG)
- Biological Diversity - *Derek Campbell*
 - UN Negotiations on Biological Diversity Beyond National Jurisdiction (BBNJ)
 - Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD)
- Columbia River Treaty Negotiations
- Data Buoys - *Peter Oppenheimer w/ Iris*
- Great Lakes Issues - *Derek Campbell*
- Heritage (cultural & natural) - *Peter Oppenheimer w/Iris Lowery*
 - Maritime heritage, historic shipwrecks (e.g, RMS Titanic)
 - Admiralty Jurisdiction & Maritime Law
- International Fisheries - *Derek Campbell*
 - Regional Fisheries Management Organizations (RFMOs)
 - Other International Fisheries Instruments and Negotiations (e.g., UN Fish Stocks Agreement, FAO Compliance Agreement)
 - UN General Assembly Fisheries Resolution
 - Illegal, Unreported, and Unregulated (IUU) Fishing
 - Port State Measures
- International Arrangements & Agreements - *Peter Oppenheimer w/Iris Lowery*
- International Hydrographic Commission & Regional Bodies - *Peter Oppenheimer*
- Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission (IOC) – *Peter Oppenheimer*
 - Galway Declaration
- Jurisdiction – *Peter Oppenheimer*
 - International Bases for Jurisdiction
 - Sovereign Immunity
- Law of the Sea Convention - *All*
 - Dispute Settlement – *Derek Campbell*
 - Interpretation, Accession and Implementation - *Peter Oppenheimer*
 - Major Maritime Powers Issues - *Peter Oppenheimer*
 - NOAA Working Group on Law of the Sea - *Peter Oppenheimer*

- NSS Sub-Interagency Policy Committee on Ocean Policy - *Peter Oppenheimer*
- Related International Instruments Regarding Marine Environmental Protection - *Peter Oppenheimer*
- UN General Assembly Oceans Resolution - *Peter Oppenheimer*
- Meeting of States Parties to the Law of the Sea Convention – *Derek Campbell*
- London Dumping Convention/1996 Protocol - *Rebecca Reese*
- Marine Debris - *Rebecca Reese w/ Iris Lowery*
- Marine Pollution (air, vessel, seabed and land-based) – *All cross cutting*
- Marine Scientific Research - *Peter Oppenheimer w/Derek Campbell, & Iris Lowery*
 - Law of the Sea Convention Part XIII
 - Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission (IOC)
 - Operational Oceanography and Observations
- Protected Resources – *Peter Oppenheimer & Derek Campbell*
 - 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 (ACAP) - *Peter Oppenheimer*
- Sargasso Sea – *Peter Oppenheimer w/Iris Lowery & Derek Campbell*
- Seabed Management - *Peter Oppenheimer w/Iris Lowery & Derek Campbell*
 - Deep Seabed Mining
 - International Seabed Authority
 - Submarine Cables & Pipelines
- Seaward Limit/Geographical Scope of Laws - *Peter Oppenheimer w/Iris Lowery*
- Ships, Regulation of - *Peter Oppenheimer, Rebecca Reese*
 - Aquatic Nuisance Species (i.e., Ballast Water and Biofouling)
 - Coastal state authority to regulate ships
 - Greenhouse Gas Emissions
 - IMO “tools” (PSSAs, ATBAs, Special Areas, Ship Routing, Reporting and No-Anchoring Requirements, Vessel Traffic Services)
 - International Convention for the Prevention of Pollution from Ships (MARPOL)
 - Safety of Life at Sea Convention (SOLAS), International Regulations for Prevention of Collisions at Sea (COLREGS) and other IMO instruments

- Polar Shipping Code
- Port Access Route Studies (PARS)
- Port Entry and International Law
- Ship Strikes of Cetaceans
- Sovereign Immunity and International Law
- Surveys, Mapping and Charting – International issues: *Peter Oppenheimer*
- Trade and Environment - *Derek Campbell & Rebecca Reese*
 - WTO (e.g., GATT, TBT, Dispute Resolution) – *Derek Campbell & Rebecca Reese*
 - WTO Fisheries Subsidies Negotiations – *Derek Campbell*
 - Regional and Bilateral Free Trade Agreements - *Derek Campbell & Rebecca Reese*
 - 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) - *Rebecca Reese*
 - International Fisheries Instruments with Trade Provisions – *Derek Campbell*
- Underwater Noise - *Rebecca Reese*
- Unmanned Maritime Vehicles - *Peter Oppenheimer*
- Zones and Boundaries - *Derek Campbell w/Rebecca Reese & Iris Lowery*
 - Baseline Committee - Delimitation of Maritime Zones
 - Delineation of the Outer Limit of the Extended Continental Shelf
 - International Maritime Boundaries