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Marine Insurance Day is a collaborative effort of AIMU, AMIF, the Association of Average Adjusters of the U.S. and Canada, IMUA, and MICA. Together, these organizations provide a high-quality educational program for the marine insurance community.

This twentieth annual seminar reflects the industry's continuing commitment to learning and professional development.

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ABOUT THE PARTICIPATING ORGANIZATIONS

AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF MARINE UNDERWRITERS (AIMU)
Established in 1898, AIMU is a U.S. marine insurance trade association representing the marine insurance and reinsurance industry as an advocate, educator, and information center.
www.aimu.org

AMERICAN MARINE INSURANCE FORUM (AMIF)
Organized in 1954, AMIF promotes advanced education in ocean marine underwriting and fosters friendship and greater understanding among younger members of the ocean marine underwriting community.
www.amif-ny.org

ASSOCIATION OF AVERAGE ADJUSTERS OF THE U.S. AND CANADA
Organized in 1879, the Association promotes sound principles in the adjustment of marine hull claims and uniformity of practice among Average Adjusters.
www.usaaverageadjusters.org

INLAND MARINE UNDERWRITERS ASSOCIATION (IMUA)
Founded in 1930, IMUA serves as the collective voice of the U.S. inland marine insurance industry, providing education, research, and communications services that support the inland marine underwriting discipline.
www.imua.org

MARINE AND INSURANCE CLAIMS ASSOCIATION (MICA)
Organized in 1944, MICA promotes an environment in which marine claims can be resolved reasonably by the parties through professional relationships and mutual trust.
www.micains.org

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SEMINAR TOPICS/SCHEDULE

9:00 am – 9:45 am	**REGISTRATION AND BREAKFAST**	
9:45 am	**WELCOME AND OPENING REMARKS**	**John Miklus** President, AIMU
10:00 am - 11:00 am	**DEAD IN THE WATER** David Farrell has handled countless unusual admiralty cases, but one stood apart from them all. A double murder. A multi-million-dollar bounty. No eyewitnesses. A body lost at sea. Farrell's book offers insights from a lawyer investigating the case. Through this compelling true story, attendees will gain unique insights into maritime law, evidence gathering, and the real-world complexities of incidents at sea.	**David J. Farrell, Jr.** Farrell Smith O'Connell Aarsheim Aprans LLP
11:00 am - 11:15 am	**MORNING BREAK**	
11-15 am - 12:15 pm	**MARINE CLAIMS IN ACTION: BEST PRACTICES FROM FIRST NOTICE TO RECOVERY** Session to cover best practices, legal comparisons, importance of early documentation, and flexible processes, including challenges with surveyors and unique incidents**.**	**Michael Cox** Managing Director W.E. Cox Claims Group Limited
12:15 pm - 1:00 pm	**THE EVOLUTION OF MGAS: A DEEP DIVE INTO THE WHY, HOW, AND WHERE WE'RE HEADED** Managing General Agents (MGAs) continue to reshape the insurance marketplace by driving innovation, expanding distribution, and addressing emerging risks. This session will examine why the MGA model has gained momentum, how it is evolving, and where the market is headed next. Attendees will gain insights into current trends, key challenges, emerging opportunities, and the outlook for MGAs in an increasingly dynamic insurance landscape. To conclude with Q&A.	**Mark Engel, CEO** Marine & Energy Ryan Specialty Underwriting Managers
1:00 pm - 2:00 pm	**LUNCH BREAK**	
2:00 pm - 3:00 pm	**THE SCOTUS MONTGOMERY DECISION: FALLOUT, TRANSPORTATION LOGISTICS, AND EMERGING TRENDS** Discussion to include impacts on the insurance markets, particularly the underwriting process, market conditions, impacts on insureds' operations, and the unpredictability of the courts.	**Jared S. Palmer, Esq.** Principal Risk Management & Claims Transportation & Logistics EPIC Insurance Brokers & Consultants
3:00pm – 4:00pm	**DALI–FRANCIS SCOTT KEY BRIDGE INCIDENT** Explore how one of the most consequential maritime disasters in recent history is reshaping legal precedent across maritime law, insurance, and risk management. This session will examine the	**Kierstan Carlson** Partner Blank Rome LLP

	key legal questions emerging from the incident, the cases and claims to watch, and what the evolving legal landscape means for industry stakeholders moving forward.	
	STRAIT OF HORMUZ Explore the impact of recent events in the Strait of Hormuz on marine insurance, global shipping, and emerging risk considerations.	**Rick Geiger** Managing Director Marsh Specialty
4:00pm – 4:05pm	**CLOSING REMARKS**	**John Miklus, AIMU President**

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