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David F. Pope has experience in cargo claims, maritime injury and death claims, collisions, passenger claims, vessel finance and foreclosure, salvage, vessel documentation, charter disputes, first party coverage defense of underwriters, environmental law, limitation of liability actions, insurance law and state and federal appeals. Mr. Pope is Board Certified in Admiralty and Maritime Law with The Florida Bar.

Representative Experience

- Fowler White Boggs Banker P.A.
Attorney, November 2004 - October 2008
- Lau, Lane, Pieper, Conley & McCreadie, P.A., Tampa, FL
Partner, July 1992-October 2004
- Macfarlane, Ferguson, Allison & Kelley, Tampa, FL
Partner, November 1973-June 1992
- U.S. Coast Guard Licensed Engineer U.S. Flag Merchant Vessels.
This included summers while attending law school, 1967-1973
- U.S. Navy Commander, (retired)

Presentations and Publications

Presentations

- "The Jones Act and Homeland Security," SNAME, Tampa, FL, 2002
- "Collisions," The Florida Bar, Admiralty Seminar, Orlando, FL, 1996
- "Seaman Status," The Florida Bar, Admiralty Seminar, Orlando, FL, 1995
- "Settlement in Admiralty Cases," The Florida Bar, Admiralty Seminar, Tampa, FL, 1994
- "Pitfalls of a Multi-Party Settlement," SEALI Convention, Savannah, GA, 1994

Practice Areas

Admiralty & Maritime Law
Personal Injury Litigation
Property Damage
Litigation

Education

J.D., University of Florida
Levin College of Law, 1973
B.S., United States
Merchant Marine
Academy, 1967

Bar Admissions

Florida

Court Admissions

Florida State Courts
U.S. Supreme Court
Florida Supreme Court
U.S. Court of Appeals,
Fifth Circuit
U.S. Court of Appeals,
Ninth Circuit
U.S. Court of Appeals,
Eleventh Circuit
U.S. District Court, Middle
District of Florida

Publications

- "Collision," Maritime Law and Practice, Author, *4th Edition, The Florida Bar*, 2004

Professional Affiliations

- The Florida Bar
- The Maritime Law Association of the United States (MLA)
- The Society of Naval Architects & Marine Engineers (SNAME)
- The Southeastern Admiralty Law Institute (SEALI)
- Hillsborough County Bar Association

Community Involvement

- Church Vestry: Counsel
- Tampa Propeller Club: Director
- U.S. Merchant Marine Academy: Local Admissions Representative

Distinctions

AV Peer Review Rated by Martindale-Hubbell

Board Certified in Admiralty and Maritime Law, The Florida Bar

Who's Who Legal, Florida 2008; listed as a leading Shipping & Maritime lawyer

The Best Lawyers in America, 2010-2012

Best Lawyers - Lawyer of the Year 2011, Maritime Law

U.S. District Court,
Northern District of
Florida

U.S. District Court,
Southern District of
Florida

Federal Maritime
Commission

Benefits Review Board