

## J. Paul M. Harquail, ACI Arb

### Partner

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Bar Admission(s): New Brunswick, 1991

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*Providing legal services through a professional corporation.*

Paul's clients include insurance, (P & I) interests, transportation companies, personal and corporate taxpayers, large corporate interests and companies in the resource/transportation-based industries. Some of the ways he helps these clients include:

- Insurance defence work resulting from environmental/occurrences; asset losses, personal injuries files involving fleet transportation; claims on disability/critical illness policies; and defending clients charged with regulatory offences / *Occupational Health and Safety Act* (OHSA) offenses.
- Significant practice in corporate and personal income tax litigation; all manner of objections/appeals; advising during search warrants/special investigations/audits.
- Representing large multinational shipping interests and protection and indemnity (P & I) clubs, in some instances acting as their correspondent, in matters such as ship arrests, collisions, cargo loss, environmental infractions, personal injury claims, regulatory offences and transactional work such as buying or selling ships, financing, licensing and vessel construction.
- Reviewing and drafting transportation agreements, bills of lading, vessel construction contracts and addressing resultant claims/disputes.

## Practice Areas

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Education

Energy

Environmental & Natural Resources  
Insurance  
Labour & Employment  
Litigation & Alternative Dispute Resolution  
Maritime & Transportation  
Tax  
Tax Dispute Resolution

## Education & Career

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### Education

University of New Brunswick, LL.B., 1990 (Dean's List)  
Université de Strasbourg, France, D.E.U.P., 1985  
Université d'Ottawa, B.A., 1984

### Activities

Member, Canadian Bar Association  
Member, American Bar Association  
Member, International Bar Association  
Vice president, Canadian Bar Association National Maritime Law Section, 2018 – present  
Vice president, board of directors, Union Club Saint John, 2018 – present  
Secretary, board of directors, Union Club Saint John, 2017 – 2018  
Eastern vice-president, board of directors, Canadian Maritime Law Association, 2015-present  
Chair, Federal Court Act and Rules Committee, Canadian Maritime Law Association, 2015-present  
Honourary Executive Member, National ADR Section, Canadian Bar Association, 2014-present  
Member, Canadian Transport Lawyers Association, 2014-present  
Chair, Canadian Bar Association, Federal Courts Bench and Bar Liaison Committee, 2013-present  
Chair, Maritime & Marine Law Section, New Brunswick Branch, Canadian Bar Association, 2008-present  
Advisor, President's Circle, University of Ottawa, 2008-2015  
Associate member, CIArb London, England, 2008-present  
Member, Tax Payers Ombudsman National Advisory Committee, 2009 – 2015  
Co-Chair, Arrest and Sale of Ships Committee, CMLA, 2010-2016  
Member, Board of Directors, Canadian Maritime Law Association ("CMLA"), 2011-present  
Past Chair, National ADR Section, Canadian Bar Association, 2013-2014  
Chair, National ADR Section, Canadian Bar Association, 2012-2013  
Vice Chair, National ADR Section, Canadian Bar Association, 2011-2012  
Chair, Saint John Seafarer's Mission, Saint John, New Brunswick, 2014-present  
Member, Board of Directors, Saint John Seafarer's Mission, Saint John, New Brunswick, 2012-present  
Chair, Maritime and Transportation Practice Group, Stewart McKelvey, 2013-present  
Member, ALFA International Transportation Practice Group, 2013-present

Member, Canadian Bar Association, Federal Courts Bench and Bar Liaison Committee, 2010-2012

Director, Saint John Airport Inc., 1998-2010

Chair, Marketing Committee, Stewart McKelvey, 2008-2010

Chair, Governance Committee, Saint John Airport Inc., 2005-2009

President, Young Lawyer's Conference, New Brunswick Branch, 2008

Director, Union Club Saint John, 2000 – 2002

National Chair, Constitutional Law Section, Canadian Bar Association, 2002-2003

Corporate Advisor, Ottawa Life Magazine

Member, The Union Club, Saint John, New Brunswick, 1991 – present

Holder, Pleasure Craft Operator Card, Transport Canada

Member, Canadian Renewable Energy Association (CanREA), 2023

## Accolades

Chambers and Partners Canada 2022, 2023 Transportation: Shipping – Nationwide – Canada, Band 3 lawyer

Chambers and Partners, Transportation: Shipping – Canada, Band 3 lawyer

Best Lawyers: Environmental Law, 2015-2023

Best Lawyers: Maritime Law, 2008-2010

Lexpert rating: Shipping and Maritime Law, 2015 – 2023

Recipient, Queen Elizabeth II Golden Jubilee Medal, 2002

Martindale-Hubbell rating: CV

## Presentations

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Presenter, Society of Accredited Marine Surveyors (“SAMS”) Conference, Halifax, 2011

Presenter, “Tax Law for Owner Managed Business”, 2007 Assessments and Reassessments, CBA New Brunswick

Presenter, “Tax Case Overview”, 2004 Tax Atlantic Provinces Tax Seminar, Sobey School of Business, St. Mary's University