

PRINCIPAL CONSULTANT



- Singapore
- British
- Master Mariner
- English

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PRIMARY SKILLSET

- ▶ Expert Witness
- ▶ Casualty Investigations
- ▶ Salvage and Wreck Removal
- ▶ Marine Warranty
- ▶ Towing and Offshore Operations

QUALIFICATIONS

- ▶ Master Mariner II/2 Restricted (No restriction on tugs)

SUMMARY EXPERIENCE

Specialises in providing expert opinion and advice on collisions, unsafe ports, seaworthiness issues, towing and total losses. An experienced marine casualty investigator, with extensive experience in salvage and wreck removal.

As a Consultant, has been responsible for servicing P&I Clubs, Admiralty Lawyers and Hull Underwriters in respect to claims, disputes, and litigation and is based in Singapore. Served at sea for 22 years at various ranks up to and including Master, followed by more than 30 years as a Marine Consultant. Is an experienced casualty investigator and has prepared reports and given expert advice on matters including groundings, collisions, unsafe port/berth claims, personal injury, damage to sub-sea cables, salvage, SCOPIC, offshore MODUs and towing. Has provided expert evidence at arbitrations in Singapore and Australia and has provided expert evidence in the Singapore Supreme Court, on collisions, seaworthiness issues, and unsafe port issues.

Was involved with wreck clearance during the Iran/Iraq conflict, following an appointment by the UK Overseas Development Agency and Kenyan Government as Salvage Master for the Kenya Ports Authority, Mombasa. Appointed to the panel of Special Casualty Representatives in 2001 until 2021.

Extensive experience as a marine warranty surveyor.

A Singapore Mediation Centre Associate Mediator, Member of Singapore Institute of Arbitrators, Member SCMA, a Fellow of The Nautical Institute and Liveryman Honourable Company of Master Mariners.

EXPERT WITNESS

Drawing on his command experience and extensive and varied experience as a marine consultant, has prepared a number of expert reports on a variety of issues for arbitrations and court proceedings, and has provided expert evidence at arbitrations in Singapore and Australia and has provided expert evidence in the Singapore Supreme Court, on breach of marine warranty issues, collisions, seaworthiness issues, and unsafe port issues.

EXPERT WITNESS		EXPERT REPORTS FOR CONTEMPLATED ACTION (SETTLED)	
Board of Inquiry	Queensland, Australia	Sale and Purchase dispute	Arbitration, UK
Breach of marine warranty	Singapore Supreme Court	Collision Eastern OPL	Malaysia High Court
Philippines unsafe port/berth	Arbitration, Australia	Loss of tug	Singapore Supreme Court
International Yacht Dealership/Brokerage, Seaworthiness issues	Arbitration, Australia	Loss of tow	Singapore Supreme Court
Charter Party dispute, Seaworthiness issues	Arbitration, Singapore	Fire, Seaworthiness issues	Singapore Supreme Court
Collision Singapore Strait	Singapore Supreme Court	Loss of cargo grounded barge	Singapore Supreme Court
		Salvage Claim, Brussels Convention	Arbitration, Singapore
		SCOPIC dispute	Arbitration, London
		Collision	Arbitration, Singapore
		Collison	Singapore Supreme Court
		Breach of marine warranty	Arbitration
		Loss of tow	Singapore Supreme Court
		Collision	Singapore Supreme Court
		Loss of tow	Arbitration, Australia
		Failure of anchor handling winch	Arbitration, Singapore
		Structural damage while under tow	Arbitration, Australia
		Loss of project cargo stowed on deck	Arbitration/Court USA
		Loss of tug and wreck removal costs	Malaysia High Court
		Damage to sub-sea cable, territorial water issues and liability	Singapore Supreme Court

MARINE INVESTIGATIONS

With over 30 years' experience as a marine surveyor/consultant has considerable experience investigating an extensive range of claims for P&I Clubs, H&M Underwriters, Energy Underwriters and Admiralty Lawyers. Including, but not limited to, a range of nautical issues, damage to sub-sea cables, fixed object damage, offshore operations, management audits and personal injury claims.

SALVAGE AND WRECK REMOVAL

Served at various ranks to Master on ocean going salvage tugs, following which was recruited by the British Overseas Development Agency as a BESS Officer and in conjunction with the Kenyan Government was appointed as Salvage Master for the Kenya Port Authority in Mombasa. Following this, was involved with wreck clearance during the Iran/Iraq conflict. On three occasions was appointed by a leading international Salvor to monitor salvage operations to support Article 14 claims. In recognition of my extensive salvage and wreck removal experience, I was elected to the Lloyd's Arbitration Branch panel of Special Casualty Representatives, in 2001, and have been appointed as SCR on 13 occasions. In addition, I have attended a number of casualties representing P&I Clubs, H&M Underwriters and Admiralty Lawyers.

SCR/SALVAGE EXPERIENCE

Sea Liberty	Singapore
Tasco I	China
Dongjin Phoenix	Japan
Behice	China
Hua Fu 101	China
Gilian	Indonesia
Princess of the Pacific	Philippines
Maunakea	Malaysia
Zhi Qiang	Papua New Guinea
Chang Le Men	India
Cosmic Leader	Myanmar
Asian Mars	Taiwan
Hub Kuching	Malaysia
Stolt Valour	Bahrain
Goldeneye	Philippines
Kamala	Korea
Lyric Poet	Indonesia
Melite	Indonesia
Sea Mark	Japan

WRECK REMOVAL EXPERIENCE

Dongjin Phoenix	Japan
Dong Phong	Vietnam
YTC Hera	Vietnam
Yue Da 28	Japan
AB9	Indonesia
Tycoon	Christmas Island
Ocean Breeze	Chile
HYSY 699	China

MARINE WARRANTY, TOWING AND OFFSHORE OPERATIONS

Extensive MWS experience in Azerbaijan, Egypt, Europe, Indonesia, West Africa and UK, involved in all aspects of project work including review of procedural documents, offshore lifts, suitability surveys of proposed marine spreads, jacket/deck/bridge loadouts, transshipments, tow and seafastening approvals.

An experienced hands-on rig mover, rig move warranty surveyor, and tow master, including loading and offloading mobile offshore drilling units on and off both dry transport vessels and barges.

For three consecutive years, on behalf of the Nigerian National Petroleum Corporation, conducted audits on all offshore drilling units, swamp barges and land rigs, prior to renewal of annual drilling licenses.

EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

LONDON OFFSHORE CONSULTANTS PTE LTD

Singapore | 2018 to Date

- ▶ Senior Consultant (Director) - Claims, Disputes, Litigation (CDL) and Shipping

Singapore | 2014 to 2018

- ▶ General Manager (Director) - Claims, Disputes, Litigation (CDL) and Shipping

Singapore 2012 – 2014

- ▶ Director

Singapore 2011 – 2012

- ▶ Associate Director

NOBLE DENTON SINGAPORE PTE LTD

Singapore | 2004 - 2011

- ▶ Manager, Marine Casualty Investigation

PT NOBLE DENTON UTAMA

2000 - 2004

- ▶ Operations Director

NOBLE DENTON EUROPE LTD

1997 - 2000

- ▶ Senior Surveyor

NOBLE DENTON CAIRO

1995 - 1997

- ▶ Senior Surveyor

MATTHEWS-DANIEL INTERNATIONAL (EGYPT) LTD

1990 - 1995

- ▶ Marine Surveyor

DRAKE MARITIME SA, PANAMA

1988 - 1990

- ▶ Salvage Master

KENYA PORTS AUTHORITY, MOMBASA

1986 - 1988

- ▶ Salvage Master

SELCO (SINGAPORE) PTE LTD

1983 - 1986

- ▶ Salvage Tug Master

LAMNALCO (SAUDI ARABIA) LTD

1983

- ▶ Tug Master

NORTH SEA LOGISTIC LTD

1980 - 1983

- ▶ Master and Chief Officer

ZAPATA MARINE SERVICES

1979

Chief Officer

UNITED TOWING (OCEAN TUGS LTD)

1977 - 1979

- ▶ Chief Officer

UNITED TOWING (STAR OFFSHORE)

1975 - 1977

- ▶ Chief Officer

THERIOT OFFSHORE INTERNATIONAL

1975

- ▶ Chief Officer

GARDLINE SHIPPING LTD

1974 - 1975

- ▶ Chief Officer
- ▶ Second Officer

ATHEL LINE LTD

1968 - 1974

- ▶ Third Officer
- ▶ Cadet Officer
- ▶ 1997 – 2000 Sheringham RNLI, Training Officer
- ▶ 1972 – 1973 Auxiliary Coastguard Gorleston MRCC, Norfolk, UK