



# **The New Jersey Maritime Pilot And Docking Pilot Commission**

**160th  
Annual Report  
2008**





Dear Governor and Members of the New Jersey Legislature:

As newer and larger ships are entering our ports, the New Jersey Maritime Pilot and Docking Pilot Commission continues to be responsive to the needs of industry. Proper training of state licensed pilots is essential. On June 21, 2008 the Commission adopted regulations that required all pilots and apprentices to undergo recurrent training. The Commission also sponsored four one-day joint training seminars for maritime pilots and docking pilots in the Raven Wheelhouse Program (*the program used on the portable DGPS carried by pilots*) and Bridge Resource Management. We will continue to look at ways to ensure that New Jersey State Licensed Pilots are able to respond to the ever growing needs of the industry.

The safety of New Jersey State licensed pilots and apprentices continues to be an area of concern for the Commission. Regulations that require all pilots to wear U.S. Coast Guard approved personal flotation devices while boarding and disembarking vessels were adopted on March 18, 2008. The regulations also require pilots transferring between vessels to be equipped with man overboard beacons.

The October 7, 2007 allision of the *Cosco Busan* with the *Bay Bridge* in California has brought to light another item of concern, a pilot's use of prescription drugs that negatively affect their ability to function properly while piloting a vessel. In response to this potentially fatal issue, the Commission updated its already extensive Physician's Certification Form. The revised form requires the pilots physician to disclose all prescribed drugs while certifying that the prescribed medications will not adversely interfere with the pilots ability to perform his/her duties.

On July 14, 2008 the first docking pilot to undergo an apprentice training program was administered a state license exam. The eight-hour exam was developed by the Commission's Examination Committee in consultation with industry representatives. We are pleased to report that the pilot passed with high marks.

In 2008, the Commission investigated a total of twenty-eight incidents that involved either a state licensed pilot or apprentice. We pride ourselves on the quickness in which all of our investigations are conducted and continue to look at ways to prevent future incidents from occurring. Our Investigation Committee is currently meeting with the National Transportation Safety Board in an effort to set up a mechanism by which information can be shared.

This Commission continues to operate on funds collected from pilotage revenues without utilizing any tax dollars. We would be pleased to have members of the Legislature or members of their staffs attend any of our regular public meetings. A full list of meeting dates can be found on our Website, which is updated regularly at [www.state.nj.us/transportation/maritimepilot](http://www.state.nj.us/transportation/maritimepilot).

Respectfully Submitted,

Timothy J. Dacey, President  
The New Jersey Maritime Pilot  
& Docking Pilot Commission



# Executive Directors Report

With the increasingly uncertain economic picture the New Jersey Maritime Pilot and Docking Pilot Commission continues to provide valuable service to the State of New Jersey at no cost to taxpayers. The Commission's operations are fully funded by the pilots we regulate. The Ports of New Jersey and New York are an important economic engine in our region and this Commission's licensing and regulation of maritime and docking pilots are vital to ensure the safe and efficient movement of ships and cargo.

Since the 2004 legislative expansion of the Commission's mission we have continued to streamline our operations and costs. This has enabled us to respond to the needs of industry and the economy by lowering the percentage of funds received from maritime pilotage revenue from 3 percent to 2.75 percent on July 1, 2008 and then to 2.50 percent effective January 1, 2009. In addition, owing to the efficiencies implemented the Commission was able, in December of 2008, to transfer \$500,000 to the State of New Jersey to help close the FY 2009 budget deficit.

An independent audit of the Commission's books was performed by the certified public accounting firm of Geltrude & Company, LLC for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2008. The results of the audit concluded that the Commission's accounting practices *"are in conformity with the accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America."*

While mindful of the current economic situation, the Commission understands that its primary responsibility is to ensure the safe navigation of vessels by having a well trained group of pilots available to all vessels entering or leaving our ports. Thus, and in response to recommendations from the NTSB, the Commission provided the first ever joint training program for Maritime Pilots and Docking Pilots. The four-day, eight-hour training sessions sponsored by the Commission (\$271 per pilot) was well received. The training also served to encourage better cooperation between the two communities of pilots we regulate.

With the onset of a new generation of pilots and ever changing needs of the shipping industry, the responsibilities of the Commission continue to increase. The Apprentice Selection Committee interviewed over 50 candidates in 2008 to fulfill vacancies for future maritime and docking pilot positions. Our representatives continue to meet quarterly with the Harbor Ops Committee and attend pilot-terminal roundtable meetings. The Investigation Committee continues to investigate all incidents involving a New Jersey State Licensed Pilot or Apprentice. We also meet and cooperate with the U.S. Coast Guard on these incidents and we are in the process of establishing an information sharing policy with the National Transportation Safety Board. As we move ahead, we will continue to look for ways to provide quality, cost efficient service to the people of the State of New Jersey and the pilots we regulate.

We encourage persons wishing to learn more about the Commission and the community of pilots we regulate to visit our website at [www.state.nj.us/transportation/maritimepilot](http://www.state.nj.us/transportation/maritimepilot) or to contact us at our offices located at One Penn Plaza East, 9th Floor, Newark, NJ 07105.

Respectfully Submitted

Charles A. Licata  
Executive Director

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# AN ABSTRACT OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE COMMISSIONERS

At its Annual Organization Meeting in January 2008, the following officers were elected to serve for the 2008 calendar year:

<b>Timothy J. Dacey</b>	<b>President</b>
<b>Richard L. Amster</b>	<b>Vice President</b>
<b>Stanley E. Wiklinski</b>	<b>Treasurer</b>
<b>Thomas F. Daly</b>	<b>Secretary</b>

The President made the following committee appointments:

**Apprentice & Recurrent Training**

Thomas F. Daly  
Charles Wowkanech

**Capital Improvements**

Richard L. Amster  
Stanley Wiklinski

**Pension Surcharge**

Richard L. Amster  
Stanley Wiklinski

**Apprentice Selection Committee**

Stanley E. Wiklinski  
Charles Wowkanech

**Coast Guard Liaison**

Timothy J. Dacey  
Thomas F. Daly

**Occurrence Investigation**

Timothy J. Dacey  
Thomas F. Daly

**Audit Committee**

Timothy J. Dacey  
Thomas F. Daly

**Examination Committee**

Thomas F. Daly  
Stanley E. Wiklinski

**Safety Committee**

Richard L. Amster  
Charles Wowkanech

**Budget Committee**

Richard L. Amster  
Joseph Azzolina

**Harbor Ops**

Timothy J. Dacey  
Thomas F. Daly

The Commission held a total of twelve regular meetings, held various committee meetings and investigated twenty-eight incidents during 2008.

## Financials

**Gross Receipts**

**\$713,835.10**

**Operating Expenses**

**\$500,724.78**

*(Includes salaries, benefits, incidentals, etc.)*

**Assets**

*The Commission operates its Executive Offices in Newark, New Jersey, which is equipped with all the items needed to successfully run this organization.*

*The value of these items do not exceed \$20,000.*

**Liabilities**

*The commission had no liabilities at the end of 2008.*

## Staff

Executive Director  
**Charles A. Licata, Esq.**

Administrator  
**Andre M. Stuckey**



## Legislation

No legislation was considered or enacted in 2008 which effects the New Jersey Maritime Pilot and Docking Pilot Commission.

## Regulations

In its continuing effort to provide for the better governance of pilots and pilot operations, the Commission adopted various changes to its existing regulations. On March 18, 2008, regulations were adopted that provided for the mandatory use of certain safety equipment by pilots. These rules became effective on April 21, 2008. On June 17, 2008, regulations were adopted that required all pilots to undergo periodic recurrent training subject to the approval of the Commission. These rules became effective July 21, 2008. In addition to these adoptions, the Commission proposed new rules that would mandate specific procedures to be followed and penalties to be imposed when a pilot is charged or convicted of a DWI/DUI or refusal to take a required breathalyzer test. This proposal is currently open for public comment.

## Litigation

There is currently an appeal pending in the Appellate Division in the Matter of the New Jersey Maritime Pilot and Docking Pilot Commission's decision regarding appointment of Christopher Baker, Mark Hershey and Kirk Pinto as Docking Pilot Apprentices.

## Rate Making Matters

Rates for maritime pilotage in the port are initially set by the New York Legislature. New Jersey law requires this Commission to adopt the New York rate after review. This is a historical anomaly. Unlike the days when New York's finger piers dominated cargo traffic in the port, today the bulk of cargo and tanker traffic discharge their cargo at Ports Elizabeth and Newark or at the refineries in New Jersey. Notwithstanding this, New York still exercises initial rate-making power over pilot rates in the port. In the year 2006 the New York Legislature passed a pilotage rate increase. The Commission adopted the rates at its November 21, 2006 regular meeting.

A summary of Legislative Rate Authorization follows:

2008 4% Pilotage rate adjustment, effective January 1st.  
2009 3% Pilotage rate adjustment, effective January 1st.

Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 12:8-24.1 certain fees charged by New Jersey Maritime Pilots must be established by the New Jersey Maritime Pilot and Docking Pilot Commission after consulting with the New York Pilotage Commission. These fees include rates for vessels undertaking intermediate or intra harbor movements in the ports of New Jersey/New York and for vessels entering or departing ports south of Sandy Hook, including Atlantic City. On October 1, 2008 a new rate schedule was adopted and became effective on December 1, 2008. The full context of our regulations, which includes a schedule of the new rates can be found on our website at [www.state/nj/us/transportation/maritimepilot](http://www.state/nj/us/transportation/maritimepilot).

The Commission does not have any authority to set rates charged by Docking Pilots.

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## Floating Equipment

The following floating equipment is currently in use by the Sandy Hook Pilots:

Pilot Boat	Length	Built	Status/Comments
NEW YORK	182ft	1972	In service. Tanks cleaned/coated. Main engine overhauls 2003-2004. Davit replacement 2005.
NEW JERSEY	146ft	1986	In service. Ballast tanks cleaned. Drydocking 2003.
SANDY HOOK	65ft	1985	In service. MTU 12V2000 engines. Shaft seal replacements.
AMERICA	56ft	2000	In service. 5,000+ hours on engines. New shaft seals, propellers and bottom paint.
PHANTOM	56ft	2000	In service. 5,000+ hours on engines. New shaft seals, propellers and bottom paint.
WANDERER	56ft	2001	In service. Main engine vibration condition, survey conducted.
TRENTON	48ft	1983	In service. Station ,Yonkers.
NEWARK BAY	44ft	1968	In service. Station ,City Island.
AMBROSE	44ft	1979	In service. Station, Edgewater.
3RHIB RESCUE CRAFT	23ft	1986	In service. Out-drive replacement.
YANKEE	53ft	2005	In service. Station, Edgewater.



*The Pilot Boat New York on Station*

*Photograph: courtesy of the Sandy Hook Pilots Association*

The **P/B New Jersey** and **P/B New York** are the assigned Port of New Jersey/New York pilot station vessels. They stand watch at the ocean entrance to the harbor. They operate twenty-four hours per day, three hundred and sixty five days a year, in all weather conditions. State Maritime Pilot

Apprentices serve as the Master and bridge watch officers of the pilot boats as a part of their training and education curriculum.

The sixty-five foot pilot transport boat **Sandy Hook** is used to dispatch maritime pilots and supplies between the Sandy Hook Pilots base station at Edgewater on Staten Island, the sea station and the inner harbor. All pilot vessels are maintained to a high standard, and are equipped with state of the art electronic navigation and communications equipment. All motor boats are equipped with rescue equipment, including a “Life Sling” and davit for man overboard retrieval operations.

Pilot boats must operate under severe weather and sea conditions. The hull material of the pilot boats is audio-gauged regularly, and steel/aluminum plating is serviced and/or renewed when required. In general, Planned Maintenance (“PM”) procedures and Service Life Extension Program (“SLEP”) work have prolonged the in-service usage of floating equipment used in the State pilotage system, in many cases well beyond its originally intended design life.

The newest addition to the fleet, the **Yankee**, a 53 foot aluminum, twin screw pilot launch is stationed at the Sandy Hook pilot base in Staten Island. It is used as part of a fleet of four similar launches at the entrance of the port, and sometimes as a shuttle craft from the base to/from sea. The fleet of four similar launches - **America**, **Wanderer**, **Phantom**, and **Yankee** allow a maintenance schedule to exist to address the substantial wear and tear on the boats throughout the year. One boat is always at sea—two others ready to go—one under maintenance.

The Commission notes that the NY Navigation Law enacted in 1999 provides the funding for a planned program of pilot boat replacement. This Law was amended in 2000 to provide a capital construction program to build new pilot boats and procure other durable capital equipment for the State Pilotage System. The Commission works with the Sandy Hook Pilots Association and the New York Commission in the administration of this program.





# Maritime Pilots

## Active Maritime Pilots

The Sandy Hook Pilots' Association (licensed as Maritime Pilots in New Jersey) are chartered to safely guide ships into and out of the port. The Sandy Hook Pilots are licensed by either the State of New Jersey or New York. They have an excellent safety record.

The Sandy Hook Pilots regularly train to raise the level of their planning, communication and nautical skills, and to be ready for any eventuality. The Sandy Hook Pilots are tasked to perform to the highest standards, and to set high expectations for successful performance on every passage to which they are assigned. The New Jersey Maritime Pilot and Docking Pilot Commission confidently reports that the performance and safety record of pilots in the port has been exemplary.

W.J. Baeszler	A.W. McGovern
W.E. Blake	W.J. McGovern
F.J. Boslet*	B.J. Mercereau
D.C. Boylan, Jr.	E.A. Miller
J.F. Britton	J.B. Monaghan
R.E. Britton	J.C. Oldmixon
T.G. Britton	R.L. Oldmixon
T.J. Ferrie	J.S. Paulis
T.O. Ferrie	C.M. Quinn
J.L. Flanders	F.E. Reil
B.L. Foley	P.G. Rooss
J.E. Graham	R.J. Schoenlank
D.J. Graves	R.D. Seeth
W.M Hansen	G.P. Smith
R.S. Ireland*	W.A. Speiser
P.E. Kanenbley	K.E. Sullivan
T.J. Keating, Jr.	E.F. Sweeney
G.W. Kissenberth, Jr.	N.A. Tribus*
P.A. Klein	M.J. Vanek
C.A. Massey	F.D. Wall, III*
J.F. McCarthy	D.W. Walsh

\*Currently working on the Hudson River.

## Vessels Piloted by Maritime Pilots

MONTH	INBOUND	OUTBOUND
January	224	234
February	187	198
March	207	221
April	232	236
May	237	235
June	232	229
July	237	264
August	229	223
September	236	248
October	238	253
November	203	215
December	213	235
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>2675</b>	<b>2791</b>



*Joseph S. Paulis is sworn in as a New Jersey State Licensed Deputy Maritime Pilot at the Commissions March 18, 2008 regular meeting by Commissioner Stanley E. Wiklinski as his family looks on. Pictured left to right are: Miranda S. Paulis, Carol Paulis, Captain Joseph Paulis, Commissioner Stanley E. Wilkinski, Philip Peters and Kathleen Peters.*



## Maritime Pilot Apprentices

In accordance with the Pilot Apprentice Program established by regulation, the Apprentice Selection Committee met and selected a slate of ten (10) candidates and five (5) alternates for the forthcoming apprentice positions. The list is kept on file for two years. To date one (1) of the ten candidates have been called into duty as an apprentice pilot. The committee is comprised of members of the New Jersey Maritime Pilot and Docking Pilot Commission, the Board of Commissioners of Pilotage of the State of New York and the United New York and New Jersey Sandy Hook Pilots' Benevolent Association.



At its May 20, 2008 regular meeting the Commission appointed Christine M. Razukas as a registered Maritime Pilot Apprentice as her family looks on. Pictured left to right are: Thomas Razuka, Arlene Razukas, Apprentice Christine Razukas and Commissioner Timothy J. Dacey.



Coleen M. Quinn is sworn in as a New Jersey State Licensed Deputy Maritime Pilot at the Commissions September 16, 2008 regular meeting by Commissioner Stanley E. Wiklinski as her family looks on. Pictured left to right are: Andrew Quinn, Joanne Quinn, Captain Coleen Quinn, Pat Skrocki, Don Skrocki, Commissioner Stanley E. Wiklinski and Commissioner Timothy J. Dacey .

## Retired Maritime Pilots

F.J. Boslet	J. Licata
A.T. Boylan	D.M. Mercereau
A.E. Braendly*	W.G. Metting
R.E. Cox	D.J. McInerney
R.L. Cullison	E.D. O'Donnell
C.W. Dahmen	R.F. Pennea
R.A. Deane	T.W. Peters
E.J. Haggerty	J.H. Peterson
W.C. Hansen	C.C. Reed
J.D. Hasson	J.L. Renesse
W.B. Hodgins	D.T. Smith
R.D. Jones	K.P. Sorenson
T.J. Keating	T.J. Walsh
R.V. Keenan*	C.A. Whiteside
G.W. Kissenberth	W.F. Winter
G.A. Mason	E.G. Young

\* Retired in 2008

## Registered Maritime Pilot Apprentices

Karen A. Basciano  
James R. Britton  
Harold Cavagnaro, III  
Michael Chambers  
Timothy M. Murray  
Ronald S. Perry  
Christine Razukas



# Docking Pilots

## Active Docking Pilots

J.D. Bates	C. T. Jonas
L.R. Bettinelli	D.E. Mattsson
R.R. Biagi, Jr.	J.K. McAllister
D.M. Blair	R.A. Moore
D.J. Brown	T. Nilsen
S.D. Brown	W.F. O'Neill, Jr.
W.E. Clifford	B.J. Paiva
J.T. Daub	R. Reilly
S.R. Davis	F.J. Reinbold
R.K. Ellis	S.T. Richter
T.A. Farrell	W.H. Russell, Jr.
R. Flannery	J.M. Schnepf
P.J. Frank	C.C. Sondergaard
K.R. Gadow*	J.A. Tooker
P.T. Harris	C.J. Weiss*
D.E. Holmes	R.P. Wieners
R.T. Jermak	S. Zorovich

\* Currently on leave of absence

Docking Pilots are a group of highly experienced, master ship handlers who dock and undock ships with the use of tugboats. They are tasked with moving a vessel, sometimes the length of three football fields, on water with only inches of clearance. With the use of radios, tugboats and an intricate knowledge of channels the Docking Pilot brings the vessel to safely rest alongside its berth. Prior to becoming eligible for state licensing these pilots must undergo the highest level of professional training.

## Vessels Docked and Undocked by Docking Pilots

MONTH	# OF MOVEMENTS
January	894
February	865
March	852
April	911
May	882
June	921
July	889
August	899
September	833
October	901
November	843
December	832
TOTAL	10,522

## Retired Docking Pilots

J.M. Naughton  
G.A. Stitik



At its August 19, 2008 regular meeting Richard T. Jermak was sworn in as a licensed Docking Pilot. Pictured left to right are: Captain Richard T. Jermak and Commissioner Timothy J. Dacey.



## Docking Pilot Apprentices

The Apprentice Selection Committee which consists of two industry representatives, one Commissioner and the Executive Director is currently in the process of receiving applications for the Docking Pilot Apprentice Training Program. Once the interview process is completed a list of qualified candidates will be published and used as a pool for the docking pilot organizations/associations to draw from as the need for new apprentices arise. The current list has been depleted and all available applicants were called into duty.

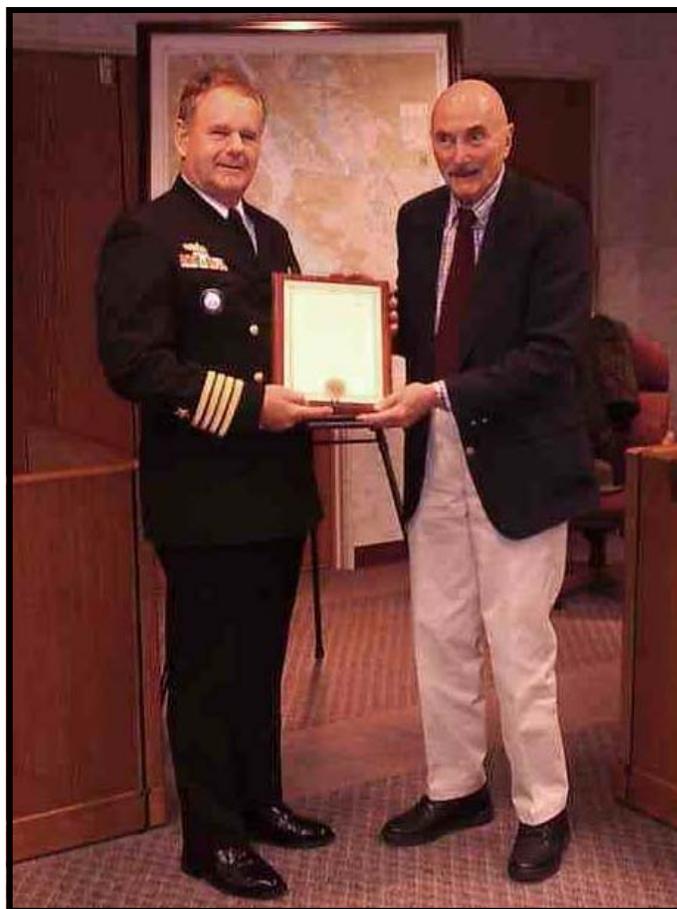
## Registered Docking Pilot Apprentices

Christopher Baker  
Fred Dashkoff  
Mark Hershey  
Kirk Pinto

*At its December 9, 2008 regular meeting Robert Pouch, the retired Executive Director of the New York Board of Commissioners of Pilotage of the State of New York was presented with Resolution #08-21 honoring his service to the Maritime Community by Commissioner Richard L. Amster.*

## Relationships with U.S. Coast Guard and other Maritime Agencies

The Commission maintains regular contact with the United States Coast Guard (USCG) and has developed an excellent working relationship. There is an ongoing program of cooperation and information sharing, particularly as it relates to incidents being investigated by both the Commission and the USCG. In addition to working cooperatively on maritime safety matters with the USCG, the Commission regularly consults with the maritime industry and other professional organizations, including the NOAA, the New York Harbor Safety, Navigation and Operations Committee, the American Pilots Association, the American Harbor and Docking Pilots Association, International Maritime Pilots Association, and the Port Authority of NJ/NY, in an ongoing effort to ensure safe maritime operations.



# Vessel Incidents

In the year 2008 the Occurrence/Investigation Committee of The New Jersey Maritime Pilot and Docking Pilot Commission investigated and reported on a total of twenty-eight incidents that involved either a New Jersey State Licensed Maritime Pilot or Docking Pilot. Listed below is a summary of each incident and the actions taken by the Commission.

Vessel—Nature of Incident	Date	Actions taken by the Commission
President Truman—Lines parted.	1/17/08	Pilot found non-culpable.
M/N Julietta—Engines did not respond.	1/20/08	Pilot found non-culpable.
M/V Orange Sun—Allision.	1/24/08	Pilot issued Cautionary Letter.
M/V Sapphire Ray—Power loss.	1/27/08	Pilot found non-culpable.
Chipolbrook Moon—Allision with tug.	2/7/08	Pilot found non-culpable.
Sealand Integrity— Power loss.	2/18/08	Pilot found non-culpable.
Daqing 452—Allision.	3/23/08	Pilot found non-culpable but was reminded to check NOAA charts on the PORTS data system prior to conning a vessel.
Stolt Span—Allision.	4/15/05	The Pilot received a letter of reprimand and the Apprentice Pilot was required to undergo additional training at berth.
Eagle Birmingham—Lines not released prior to sailing.	4/26/08	Pilot issued Cautionary Letter.
Baltic Merchant—Loss of steering.	5/4/08	Pilot found non-culpable.
Qatari Ibn Al Fujaa—Power loss.	5/5/08	Pilot found non-culpable.
Qatari Ibn Al Fujaa—Power loss.	5/6/08	Pilot found non-culpable.
Akashi Bridge – Surge caused broken spring line on moored ship.	5/9/08	Pilot found non-culpable.
Golden Taka—Allision.	5/12/08	Pilot found non-culpable
Ballengen—Near miss.	5/15/08	Pilots license was restricted on route until additional training or simulator exercises were completed.
Norwegian Spirit—Allision.	5/25/08	Pilot found non-culpable.
Cosco Melbourne—Near miss.	5/26/08	Pilot issued Letter of Commendation.
Tug, Penn 4—Allision.	6/3/08	Pilot found non-culpable
Grey Shark—Loss of power.	6/3/08	Pilot found non-culpable.
British Integrity—Loss of power.	6/28/08	Pilot found non-culpable.
Ocean Host—Allision.	7/23/08	Pilot found non-culpable.
Maersk Driscoll—Power loss.	8/29/08	Pilot found non-culpable.
Isola Gialla—Steering Failure.	9/1/08	Pilot issued Letter of Commendation.
Caribbean Princess—Power loss.	10/5/08	Pilot found non-culpable.
Ital Oceano—Surge allegedly parted mooring lines on docked vessel.	11/8/08	Pilot found non-culpable.
Nevsky Prospect—Power Loss.	11/11/08	Pilot found non-culpable.
Tug Glen Cove—Allision.	12/2/08	Still under investigation.
President Truman—Power loss.	12/20/08	Still under investigation.



# COMMISSIONERS

**RICHARD L. AMSTER**, Florham Park, New Jersey. Mr. Amster was principal of Amster & Levin a law firm located in Newark and then in Millburn for over a thirty year period. Thereafter, he was of counsel to the firm of Wolff & Samson until he retired from the practice of law on January 1, 1998. Commissioner Amster is a trustee of and chairman of the Grant Evaluation Committee of the Healthcare Foundation of New Jersey. He is a member emeritus of the Board of Visitors of the School of Law of Columbia University. Commissioner Amster is the longest serving member of the Commission. He was on active duty in the United States Navy 1942-1946 and was separated from the Naval Service with the permanent rank of Lieutenant USNR. He and his wife Barbara have three children and four grandchildren. Commissioner Amster was appointed to the Commission in January 1980, his current term expires on January 9, 2009.

**JOSEPH AZZOLINA, SR.**, Middletown, New Jersey. Mr. Azzolina attended both the National and Naval War Colleges. He had a 42-year legacy of service in the Navy and Naval Ready Reserves. He was a Commissioned Ensign in the U.S. Navy at age 20, thereafter Mr. Azzolina retired in 1986 as a Navy Captain. He is a graduate of Holy Cross College with a BS Degree. He also completed two full years at New York University's graduate School of Business Administration. He is currently the President of Foodtown Supermarkets (Food Circus, Inc.), with 1,200 employees and a chain of 10 SuperFoodtowns. Mr. Azzolina served a quarter-century in the New Jersey State Legislature as both a Senator and Assemblyman at various times in each of the past five decades. He is the recipient of numerous military medals and public honors and was responsible for bringing the SS New Jersey Battleship back to New Jersey after working 20 years with the Navy and the State of New Jersey to secure the ship as an educational museum and memorial. He retired from the Legislature on January 9, 2006 and was appointed to the Commission in June of 2006, his term expires on June 19, 2009.

**TIMOTHY J. DACEY**, Metuchen, New Jersey. Mr. Dacey is a graduate of the United States Merchant Marine Academy at Kings Point, New York where he earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Marine Transportation and was licensed as a Third Mate in the United States Merchant Marine. He earned a Masters of Science degree in Transportation Management from the State University of New York Maritime College at Fort Schuyler, New York. Commissioner Dacey served on active duty with the United States Navy from 1986-1989, serving as the Damage Control Assistant and First Lieutenant onboard the USS Mars (AFS-1) homeported in Oakland, California. He remained a United States Naval Reserve Officer until 1995. He has worked for Lykes Lines, Hanjin Shipping and NYK Line in shore side positions and is currently the Vice President of Administrative Services at Bergen Community College. Commissioner Dacey also served for five years as the president of the Steamship Historical Society of America, a non-profit organization that is dedicated to recording, preserving and disseminating the history of engine-powered vessels. Commissioner Dacey was appointed to the Commission in April 2003, his current term expires on July 19, 2009.

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*In December of each year the Commission honors all Maritime Pilots and Docking Pilots that have retired over the course of the year.*

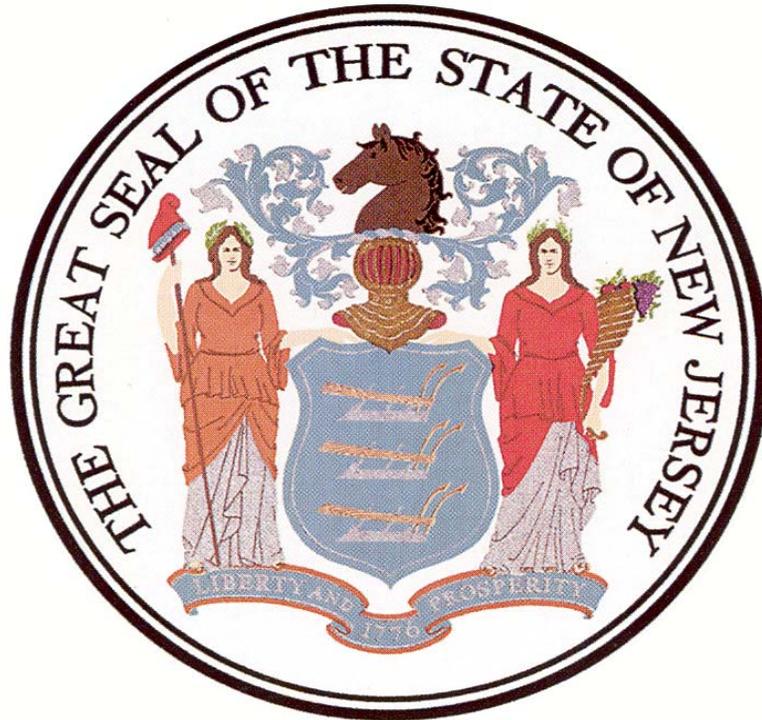
*Pictured left are Commissioner Timothy J. Dacey with Captain Alan Braendly, Captain Braendly retired on September 23, 2008. Pictured right are Commissioner Timothy J. Dacey with Captain Raymond Keenan, Captain Keenan retired on December 31, 2008*



**THOMAS F. DALY**, Rumson, New Jersey. Mr. Daly is a graduate of Lafayette College and Georgetown University Law School. He is a former partner at the Law Firm of McCarter & English and is presently Of Counsel. He is a former adjunct professor of maritime law at Rutgers University Law School. Commissioner Daly is a Fellow of the American College of Trial Lawyers and the International Association of Barristers. He is a Proctor of the Maritime Law Association of the United States and a trustee of the National Maritime Historical Society and the Sandy Hook Foundation. Commissioner Daly is a licensed master mariner and participated in the advanced ship handlers program at the Massachusetts Maritime Academy in 2006. Commissioner Daly was appointed to the Commission on October 1991, his current term expired on December 15, 2008.

**STANLEY E. WIKLINSKI**, Old Tappan, New Jersey. Member of the U.S. Naval Academy class of 1958 and holder of a Master of Fine Arts Degree from Yale University, Mr. Wiklinski served 8 and ½ years on active duty as a Commissioned Naval Officer, obtaining the rank of Lt. Commander. Graduate School and 13 years of active Naval Ready Reserve service followed. Mr. Wiklinski was retired United States Naval Reserve with the Permanent rank of Commander. Commissioner Wiklinski was appointed to the Commission in December 1991, his current term expired on September 26, 2008.

**CHARLES WOWKANECH**, Ocean City, New Jersey. Mr. Wowkanech has been a leader in the labor movement in New Jersey for more than twenty-five years. He is a former business agent for the Local 68 of the International Union of Operating Engineers (IUOE). Commissioner Wowkanech joined the staff of the New Jersey State AFL-CIO in 1990 serving in various positions leading to his election as President in 1997. Under Commissioner Wowkanech's leadership the New Jersey State AFL-CIO has grown to represent over one million members and nearly 1,000 affiliated unions. In addition to his service to the New Jersey Maritime Pilot & Docking Pilot Commission, Commissioner Wowkanech also serves on the Tri-State Board of Governors for the United Way, the New Jersey Character Education Commission, the Governor's Commission to Support and Enhance New Jersey Military and Coast Guard installations and the Dredging Projects Facilitation Task Force. He is also a licensed U.S. Coast Guard Captain. Commissioner Wowkanech was appointed to the Commission in June 2002, his current term expired on June 24, 2008.



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*"Wishing you fair winds and following seas"*