Don Marcus President International Organization of Masters, Mates & Pilots, ILA/AFL-CIO

Captain Don Marcus is a professional mariner who was elected President of the International Organization of Masters, Mates & Pilots (MM&P) in January 2013. During his seagoing career he sailed in all Licensed Deck Officer capacities, from Third Mate to Master, aboard U.S.-flag ships in international trade. He was commissioned in the U.S. Naval Reserve, receiving his Honorable Discharge in 1986. His last shipboard assignment was as Master of the *MV Sea-Land Pacer*.

Don is a staunch advocate for the American Merchant Marine and America's working families. He has been a union member throughout his working life, having joined the Masters, Mates & Pilots upon graduating from the U.S. Merchant Marine Academy, Kings Point, NY, in 1979.

In June 2013, Don was elected President of the Maritime Labor Alliance, a six-union partnership which includes MM&P, the International Longshoremen's Association (ILA), the International Longshore and Warehouse Union (ILWU), the Inland Boatmen's Union (IBU), the Marine Engineers' Beneficial Association (MEBA) and the American Radio Association (ARA)

Prior to his election as President of MM&P, Don served as the union's Secretary-Treasurer from 2010 to 2012. Before that, he was elected to three terms as the union's Vice President-Pacific Ports, based in Seattle.

Don is a graduate of the University of California, Hastings College of the Law (1990) and is a member of the California Bar Association. Originally from San Francisco, he resides in Baltimore County, Maryland. He is married with three adult children.