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SPECIALISED PRACTICE
Protection & Indemnity (Shipping)

*Dr. Shrikant Hathi is listed in the elite
"Leading Lawyers" list as "Leading
Individual", for shipping work in India, by
Legal 500 since 2004*

PROFILE & BILLING RATES

- Entire Gamut of Protection & Indemnity within Shipping and Marine Insurance

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Brus Chambers, Advocates & Solicitors has a very 'powerful and results-oriented' shipping team led by the 'smart' Shrikant Hathi. The practice is praised for its substantial expertise in wet and dry shipping matters, and port projects.

- Asia Pacific Legal 500, 2015

Brus Chambers, Advocates & Solicitors has an 'excellent reputation' and expertise covering the gamut of wet and and dry shipping matters, as well as port projects. Shrikant Hathi is 'a well-known figure within the shipping industry' and has an excellent reputation for ship arrests.

- Asia Pacific Legal 500, 2014



Brus Chambers, Advocates & Solicitors has been recommended as a Top Tier Law Firm in Shipping practice area by Legal500 since 2010

Brus Chambers shipping team eats sleeps and breathes shipping law, advising international and domestic clients on entire gamut of shipping law

-Lloyd's List

Brus Chambers, Advocates & Solicitors is praised for its 'prompt response times, efficiency, industry knowledge, and its innovative ideas used at the right time and place'.

-The Asia Pacific Legal 500, 2013

'..has really started to make waves in recent years.'

-The Asia Pacific Legal 500, 2004/2005

'pragmatic, resourceful and professional team.'

-The Asia Pacific Legal 500, 2005/2006

'solid shipping practice'

-The Asia Pacific Legal 500, 2006/2007

'..is a dominant force within Indian admiralty, maritime and shipping market'

-The Asia Pacific Legal 500, 2007/2008

Shrikant Hathi is listed in the elite "Leading lawyers" list as "Leading Individual", by Legal 500 since 2004, guide to outstanding lawyers nationwide.

Shrikant Hathi is 'smart, quick, and delivers outstanding results'.

- Legal500, 2013

Shrikant Hathi 'stand-out' for shipping work

- Legal500

Shrikant Hathi 'best of the best' for shipping work

- Worldlawyers.NET

Shrikant Hathi- Leading Shipping & Maritime Lawyer in India

- Asia Law Profiles

Shrikant Hathi- World's Leading Lawyer (Shipping & Maritime)

- Euromoney Expert Guides

Shrikant Hathi is listed in the elite "Leading lawyers" list as "Leading Individual" by Legal 500 for the last seven years.

Shrikant Hathi- Leading Energy & Natural Resources Lawyer in India

- Asia Law Profiles

Shrikant Hathi knows how to deliver results

- Worldlawyers.NET

Shrikant Hathi- World's Leading Lawyer (Energy & Natural Resources)

- Euromoney Expert Guides

Shrikant Hathi is strong in shipping with clarity of mind and professional expertise

- Lloyd's List

'Shrikant Hathi gives effective assistance to shipping industry'

-Trade Winds

'Shrikant Hathi leads the shipping team at Brus Chambers that is dedicated to handling contentious and non-contentious shipping matters'

-Lloyds List

'..has distinguished strengths in shipping claims'

-The Asia Pacific Legal 500, 2008/2009

'..the firm has a dedicated shipping practice that covers disputes, transactional matters and finance'

-The Asia Pacific Legal 500, 2008/2009

'..is widely respected for its wet and dry shipping expertise'

-The Asia Pacific Legal 500, 2009/2010

'extremely good for shipping work'

-The Asia Pacific Legal 500, 2010/2011

'Brus Chambers is the best solicitor firm for shipping work in India'

-Trade Winds

'Brus Chambers is widely regarded as 'one of the best shipping law firm in India'

-Trade Winds

'Brus Chambers is highly recommended for entire gamut of shipping law, a top-notch shipping law firm in India'

-Worldlawyers.NET

truly specialised...

Brus Chambers is recommended by Legal500, Lloyd's (Informa) Group, Trade Winds, Chamber Practice, Expert Guides, shiparrest.co.in, and other independent credential bodies for shipping work amongst other matters in India. Brus Chambers is ranked as a Top Tier law firm for shipping work by Legal 500 since 2010.

Shrikant Hathi (Dr) is consistently ranked by Legal500 (2005/06; 2006/07; 2007/08; 2008/09; 2009/10; 2010/11; 2011/12; 2012/13; 2013/14) as 'Leading Individual' in India for shipping work.

Lloyd's List, London stated that Shrikant Hathi is a very good strategist.



Brus Chambers shipping practice includes the entire gamut of dry and wet shipping, ship arrest or release, ship finance, ship buying or selling, international trade, personal injury and crew wages and entire gamut of P & I work within shipping and marine insurance. The firm's practice also includes port projects and development, corporate advice, preparation and review of all contractual documentation required for any shipping related projects.

The shipping practice being a niche and specialized field, we, at Brus Chambers are well aware that there are very few law firms that cater to your shipping and related needs. We are dedicated to provide exactly the service that may be required by our clients and believe in investing time and our best efforts in providing solutions and consultancy services to our clients.

Brus Chambers Shipping and Marine Insurance practice includes the entire gamut of Protection and Indemnity work and is actively involved with ship owners and P & I clubs to provide solutions and our legal expertise in matters relating to death and personal injury on board the vessel, repatriation of sick or injured crew and hospital expenses, loss of crew members' personal effects, diversion expenses, life salvage, collision liability, loss of/ damage to cargo, loss/ damage to property other than cargo, pollution, towage contract liabilities, liabilities under contract and indemnities, wreckage liabilities, contribution to general average or salvage, expenses of salvors, fines, legal costs, and other matters that are covered under the insurance cover of the P & I clubs. Our work also includes hull and marine insurance and the cargo insurance generally available to the ship owners, that provides insurance against third party liability.

We advise the ship owners and their P & I clubs in various cases of such claims and their settlements and have successfully managed to dispose of a plethora of such claims by formulating successful settlements.

Our experience and long term involvement and national and international presence has helped us not only in sharpening our expertise, but also in establishing a reputation for deliverance in the national as well as international spheres.



In our services provided to the ship owners and P & I clubs, we seek to reduce the liability of our clients to the minimum extent reasonably possible and seek to settle the dispute at hand amicably and as expediently as possible.

Brus Chambers is an established Indian law firm, being one of the two leading law firms of the country practising shipping matters amongst other areas, a law firm which is highly recommended by Legal500, Lloyds (Informa) Group; Trade Winds; Chamber Practice, shiparrest.co.in, Euromoney Expert Guides and other independent credential bodies, for maritime, shipping and admiralty matters in India amongst other areas of work.

The firm has its main office in Mumbai and associate offices at port and capital cities in all states of India including New Delhi.

Dr. Shrikant Hathi, the founder and Managing Partner of the firm has been consistently ranked by Legal500 since 2004 as 'Leading Individual' in India for shipping work.

The Legal 500, has recommended Brus Chambers for 'Shipping' and has ranked the firm as a Top-Tier law firm for shipping work since 2010. Brus Chambers is also recommended for 'Projects & Energy' 'Corporate/ M&A' 'Marine Insurance', 'Dispute Resolution' and 'Banking & Finance' and has commented, "...is a dominant force within the Indian admiralty, maritime and shipping market. The firm is especially noted for its experience in ship arrests and releases, not to mention P&I settlements, shipping finance, acquisitions and maritime arbitration. Impressive representative clients..." while Brus Chambers is ranked as a Top Tier Law firm for shipping work in India since 2010.

Brus Chambers has extensive experience and a global reputation for entire gamut of shipping work and has dominated the Indian admiralty and shipping market.

It may occur that a cargo arrives at a port of discharge in a damaged condition and that parties with an interest in the ship are held liable for this. At that stage we get involved in handling cargo claims and protecting the interests of Ship's Owners, Charterers and/or their liability insurers: the P&I Clubs.

Within P&I we advise on variety of liability claims, such as cargo damage, environmental damage, personal injury, collision and grounding, freight, demurrage and defence, salvage and wreck removals.

Our legal advice falls into two parts, the overall issues of liability and details of particular claims. In both areas the Club using our service expects to assist the ship owner

Knowing the right professional with specialised knowledge for the right kind of work is who you need to know, would be a valuable business connection.

it's
not **who**
you know.

it's
who you
need to know.

Our shipping practice includes the entire gamut of admiralty, shipping and maritime edicts advising owners, charterers, suppliers, repairers, cargo owners, insurers, banks, financial institutions, mortgagors, p&l clubs, hull and cargo insurers, defence clubs, salvage and tug companies, shipbuilders, ship breakers, ship chandlers, ship repair yard, marine engineering companies, ship and chartering brokers, oil companies, port authorities and Government agencies; also sectors from oil, gas, agriculture, engineering, mining and all other sectors advising and assisting on claims, including casualties, collision, limitation of liability, cargo, charterparty, jurisdiction, conflict of laws, bill of lading, carriage of goods, contract conditions, fire, liens, general average, containers, recoveries, subrogation, casualties, freight forwarders liabilities, multimodal and unimodal, insurance and reinsurance, commercial disputes and advise on financing international trade through letter of credit, bills of exchange and other methods, preparing standard conditions of sale and advise on trade in commodities of all kinds, advising on the terms of contracts, handling dispute resolution through litigation and arbitration proceedings.

Our shipping transactional work also includes ship finance, ship buy or sell, port infrastructure and developments, international trade.

Brus Chambers has practiced shipping law since the establishment of the firm and its partners much prior to 1992; today we have a worldwide reputation as specialists in this area. Our partners regularly appear as recommended shipping specialists. Brus Chambers provides a comprehensive service in both contentious and non-contentious aspects of shipping law, advising on matters ranging from cargo claims to marine casualties, and from ship finance to ship purchase or sale.

We combine long experience in this area of law and extensive contacts in the shipping industries, with a network of international maritime law firms, enabling us to call on suitable technical experts and to advise on choice of an arbitrator. Members of the firm are frequently called upon to deal with matters requiring urgent responses, such as, a freezing order, the exercise of a lien, the arrest or release of a ship and are accustomed to attendance and acting on short notice. Maritime disputes are dealt with by solicitors who advise on all aspects of shipping litigation and arbitration, which includes a specialist Admiralty team.

Shipping team is co-headed by our Mumbai partners Dr. Shrikant Pareshnath Hathi and Ms. Binita Shrikant Hathi, both qualified advocates and solicitors, with LL.M degrees; they have also co-authored the book "Maritime Practice in India" and "Ship Arrest in India and Admiralty Laws of India". Both the partners practice in Mumbai, India.

Dr. Shrikant Pareshnath Hathi, a law graduate with a masters in law, a PhD, an Advocate on record of the Supreme Court of India, a Solicitor from India (practicing) and United Kingdom (non-practicing), he is a practicing advocate enrolled with the Bar Council of Maharashtra and Goa and also with the Supreme Court of India. His main law practice is in the Bombay High Court and in the High Courts having Admiralty jurisdiction in India. Successfully completed 'Justice', a course of study offered by Harvard University under the guidance of Prof. Michael J. Sandel, Professor of Government at Harvard University, where he teaches political philosophy. Dr. Hathi is a specialist in shipping and projects work, will be the partner co-ordinating as a lead partner for ship arrest work, Dr. Shrikant Pareshnath Hathi is listed in the elite "Leading Lawyers" list as "Leading Individual", for shipping work in India by Legal 500 since 2004.

Arbitration
Arrest of Ship
Bid Preparations
Bill of Lading
Bunker Claims
Cargo Claims
Carriage of Goods
Casualties
Charter Parties
Claims for Necessary Supplies
Claims for Repair
Claims for Wages
Collision Claims
Commercial Disputes
Conflict of Laws
Containers
Contracts
Damages
Establishing business in India
Execution of Foreign Award
Execution of Foreign Decree
Fire
Foreign investments in India
Freight Forwarders liabilities
General Average
Incorporation of Company
Insurance and Re-insurance
Jurisdiction
Legal Research
Limitation of Liability
Litigation
Marine Insurance
Maritime Claims
Maritime Liens
Mortgages
Multimodal
Negotiations
Ownership Dispute
P & I Settlement
Personal Injury
Privatisation
Purchase of Ships
Recoveries
Regulatory Issues
Release of Ship
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Ship Finance
Ship Registration
Ship Repair
Shipbuilding
Short Landing
Subrogation
Unimodal
Unpaid Dues

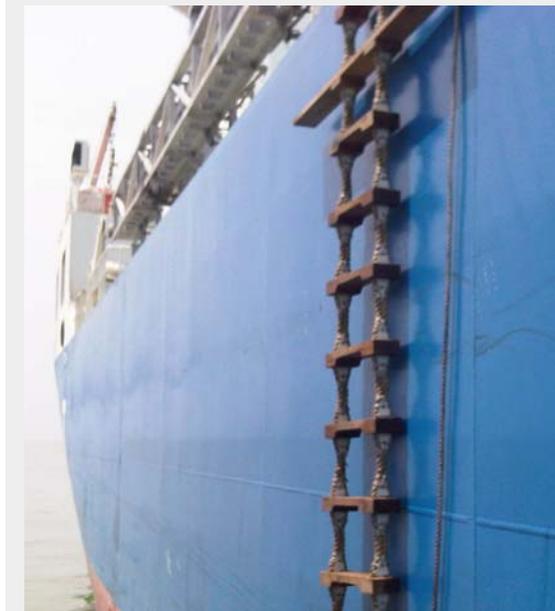
Our billing rates...

Brus Chambers believes in transparency in legal fees since inception of the law firm and have maintained since then. Today we are globally known as specialised practice law firm delivery quality services and transparency in legal fees.

The Economic Times; The Times of India; Fairplay have commented about our law firm as the only Indian law firm with real transparency in legal fees.



Shipping team at Brus Chambers is strong enough to handle high-end shipping client to small shipping client, handling entire gamut of shipping laws



BILLING RATES & CHARGING METHOD

Brus Chambers professional charges are mainly computed on hourly basis, blended hourly rates, some are customised on case to case basis or on fixed fee, retainer etc depending on client requirement or on the matter. All disbursements and service tax where applicable are computed on actual unless the same is a lump sum package offer.

Each client has a dedicated partner (the lead partner) who will lead, co-ordinate and will be directly responsible to meet the client requirements effectively.

Unless agreed on our charging methods our default method for computation of our fees is on hourly basis and it is also our recommendation to opt for hourly basis.

Our Professional fees for all shipping work including work related to Protection and Indemnity is

USD 126 per hour
+ Disbursements on actual.

Our billing rates are subject to a minimum fee of USD 999 + Disbursement on actual.

All Disbursements incurred are computed on actual. Third party costs would include the following (where applicable): travel and transport; photocopying; phones and faxes; experts and counsels; airfare, hotels and meals, video-conferencing; correspondent fees and expenses; court or institutional fees' stamping and registration; government, quasi-government or other fees; other actual expenses.

During this period, atleast one solicitor/advocate will be working on the given file and if required more lawyers or paralegals will be working on the file to ensure that quality service is delivered, at no extra cost and our professional fees will be computed only that of the lead partner.

Our partners for P&I work within shipping...

SHRIKANT PARESHNATH HATHI (Dr)

Managing & Practising Partner Mumbai Office
Advocate & Solicitor
BCom., LL.B., LL.M., Solicitor (India & United Kingdom), PhD.
Advocate Bombay High Court
Advocate Supreme Court of India
Advocate on Record Supreme Court of India
Solicitor England and Wales (Non-Practicing)



His main law practice is in the Bombay High Court; in the High Courts having Admiralty jurisdiction in India and in the Supreme Court of India. He is a shipping and projects specialist.

Successfully completed his law (LLB) and masters in law (LLM) from Government Law College (Mumbai University) also completed his solicitors' examination through the Bombay Incorporated Law Society and is enrolled as a solicitor. He successfully graduated with a Doctorate degree. He is also enrolled with the Supreme Court of India as an Advocate on Record.

Successfully completed solicitors' examination through Oxford Institute of Legal Practice (OXILP) (Oxford University and Oxford Brookes University) and is enrolled with the Solicitors Regulation Authority (SRA), United Kingdom as a solicitor. Since he is practicing law in India, he is a non-practicing solicitor in United Kingdom.

Successfully completed 'Justice', a course of study offered by Harvard University under the guidance of Prof. Michael J. Sandel, Professor of Government at Harvard University, where he teaches political philosophy.

Successfully completed 'Age of Globalization', a course of study offered by University of Texas at Austin under the guidance of Dr. John Hoberman, he is a Professor of Germanic languages within the Department of Germanic Studies at the University of Texas at Austin, he has taught courses on sport and politics at Harvard University, the University of Chicago also.

Successfully completed 'Energy Subsidy Reform' a course conducted by International Monetary Fund under the guidance of Dr. Nooman Rebei (Economist at IMF's Institute for Capacity Development); Dr Samah Mazraani (Economist at IMF); Dr. Kangni Roland Kpodar (Economist in the IMF); Dr. Luc Moers (Economist at IMF) and Dr. Masahiro Nozaki (Economist at IMF).

Practising law since 1992

Entire gamut of shipping edicts; Partner specialising in dry and wet shipping matters, has extensive ship arrest, ship release and ship finance experience handles the full complement of shipping work including P&I and Marine Insurance. Clients include shipbuilders, repairers, bunker suppliers, ship chandlers, ship owner, managers, and agents, consignee of goods, financial institutions, P&I clubs; ports and infrastructure projects. purchase and sale of a ship; maritime claims; cargo claims; bunker disputes; supplier disputes, ownership disputes; management disputes, agency disputes, collision; casualties, disputes and claims including collision, cargo, charter party, jurisdiction, conflict of laws, bill of lading, carriage of goods, contract conditions, fire, liens, containers, recoveries, subrogation, casualties, freight forwarders liabilities, multimodal and unimodal, insurance and reinsurance, ship registration; ship building contracts, rigs.

BINITA S. HATHI

Partner Mumbai Office
Advocate & Solicitor
BCom., LL.B., LL.M., Solicitor (India)
Advocate Bombay High Court
Advocate Supreme Court of India
Advocate on Record Supreme Court of India



Her main law practice is in the Bombay High Court; other High Courts in India and in the Supreme Court of India. She specialises in dispute resolution and dry and wet shipping.

Successfully completed her law (LLB) and masters in law (LLM) from Government Law College (Mumbai University) also completed her solicitors' examination through the Bombay Incorporated Law Society and is enrolled as a solicitor. She is also enrolled with the Supreme Court of India as an Advocate on Record.

Successfully completed 'Justice', a course of study offered by Harvard University under the guidance of Prof. Michael J. Sandel, Professor of Government at Harvard University, where he teaches political philosophy.

Practicing law since: 1994

Entire gamut of shipping disputes including ship arrest and release; and disputes pertaining to Bill of Lading; Bunker Claims; Cargo Claims; Carriage of Goods; Casualties; Charter Parties; Claims for Necessary Supplies; Claims for Repair; Claims for Wages; Collision Claims; Commercial Disputes; Conflict of Laws; Containers; Contracts; Damages; Fire; Freight Forwarders liabilities; General Average; Jurisdiction; Limitation of Liability; Marine Insurance; Maritime Claims; Maritime Liens; Mortgages; Multimodal; Ownership Dispute; P& I and Marine Insurance; Personal Injury; Recoveries; Salvage Claims; Ship Repair; Shipbuilding; Short Landing; Subrogation; Unimodal; Unpaid Dues; P&I settlements; Ship finance, registration; mortgage and marine insurance.

She handles claims related to collision and personal injury defense, defense of cargo claims, workers' compensation, maritime commercial disputes and marine insurance coverage, as well as mass disaster, major pollution, toxic tort and class action litigation.

She is also experienced in dispute resolution as a means of avoiding litigation, and provides counsel on marine insurance counseling, marine insurance coverage evaluation, contract drafting and negotiation, charter drafting and negotiation, and marine financing services.

She has guided clients in the development of major marine casualty and pollution response plans, for which she has a long-established legal organization.

She handle charter party disputes, cargo claims, defense of P&I and vessel owners' interests, vessel arrests and attachments, maritime liens, collisions, salvage, personal injury defense, agent, stevedore, shipbroker, and terminal liabilities, general average, financing, purchase and sale of vessels, regulatory matters, license suspension and revocation proceedings, maritime product liability, and all aspects of marine insurance. She has extensive experience with shipbuilding and repair, in both contracting and dispute resolution.

Brus Chambers represents shipowners and charterers, Protection & Indemnity associations, marine and other insurers, and major energy companies.

UTTAMKUMAR HATHI

Partner Mumbai Office
B.Sc; PGDMMT; LL.B; LL.M
Advocate Bombay High Court



His main law practice is in the Bombay High Court. He specialises in corporate work.

Successfully completed his law (LLB) and masters in law (LLM) from Government Law College (Mumbai University).

Practicing law since: 1992

Specialising in corporate law and advisory including mergers, acquisition, joint ventures, double taxation, shipping transactional and documentation work; advising on charter party, bill of lading, insurance and reinsurance; establishing business in India; ship finance; mortgage; lay time and demurrage.

POONAM SHARMA BALONI

She specialises in P&I Settlements and P&I Club work, she also specialises in Admiralty ship arrest and marine Insurance, Infrastructure Projects, International arbitration.



She is renowned for P&I Club work representing Protection & Indemnity associations, marine and other insurers she handles claims related to collision and personal injury defense, defense of cargo claims, workers' compensation, maritime commercial disputes and marine insurance coverage, as well as mass disaster, major pollution, toxic tort and class action litigation.

specialising on crew and bunker claims within shipping advising crew members for recovery of unpaid crew claims or wages, unpaid master's wages, bunker suppliers on unpaid dues and commercial litigation. She works alongside with Dr. Shrikant Hathi and Ms. Binita Hathi. She advises on entire gamut of law for shipping industry.

She also specialises in oil, gas, energy, mining and power; commercial arbitration and enforcement of arbitral awards.

She is a very good contract analyst, analysing commercial transactions mainly projects (oil, gas, mining, power, infrastructure, construction) and shipping related work to avoid disputes in a proposed contract or analysing contractual documents in a proposed or on an on-going dispute, analysing the proposed terms or the existing terms of business contract, the task, performance and payment terms to the proposed or existing contract, assisting client in checking the capabilities and credibility's of a deal, assist in the process of negotiation of deals in a proposed contract, detecting and analysing any problem to the proposed contract or to the existing contract, this assist in better strategy be it transactional work or in a dispute resolution.

SUBRAT KULSHRESTHA

Partner Delhi Office

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Ex.Master of Merchant Ships, Advocate Delhi High Court

Subrat Kulshrestha, was a Chief Officer and Master of Merchant Ships - Master Mariner, completed his law studies and on completion of his law started his law practice at New Delhi, is now heading Brus Chambers New Delhi practice. He specialises on commercial litigation and arbitration at New Delhi he also specialises in claims recovery for seafarers' personal injury on board the vessel and protecting ship owner's interest.



Successfully completed her law (LLB).

Practicing law since: 2014

Contact for P&I work...

For P&I related work you are requested to contact the below. The file will be assigned to the lawyer being partner of the firm also an advocate or solicitor having specialised knowledge on the subject matter and will be the lead partner to the assigned file. The matter will also be assisted by the below.

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Should you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact our Managing Partner and if you are an existing client you may contact the lead partner attending the file

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