List of Supporting Members generally prepared to accept appointments as arbitrators:

We give below the annual updated list of such names of Supporting Members generally prepared to accept appointments as arbitrators:

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Marine Engineering Consultant specialising in Bunkering, has been involved in the Shipping Industry since 1985 in various capacities, with P&O Cruises, Deep Sea Seals and Hamworthy. Previous positions include Chief Executive of The International Bunker Industry Association (IBIA) from February 2009 until July 2011, after having been Secretary-General for seven and a half years. Whilst at IBIA gained wide exposure to international markets and consultative status at the International Maritime Organization (IMO) for IBIA. Involved in the process of the revision of MARPOL Annex VI from the outset, he was a member of the IMO Secretary General’s Scientific and Industry Expert Panel during 2007 as part of the revision process. Fellow of the Institute of Marine Engineering Science and Technology (FIMarEST).

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As a junior, Lawrence Akka was shortlisted for Chambers and Partners IT Junior of the Year in 2009, and is consistently highly rated for IT work by the legal directories. He is the vice-chairman (civil) of the Bar Council IT Panel.

Lawrence Akka accepts appointments to sit as arbitrator and has been appointed in both IT and shipping references. He has lectured widely in the IT and shipping fields. He is a member of the British Computer Society (MBCS), member of the Admiralty & Commercial Court Users Committee, the Commercial Bar Association, member of the Society for Computers and Law and a supporting member of the London Maritime Arbitrators’ Association.

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Michael graduated from Oxford with a first in jurisprudence and a first on the BCL. He became a member of chambers in 1997 and took silk in 2011. The majority of his work falls within four main areas: general commercial litigation/arbitration; energy; shipping and ship/off-shore construction (including shipbuilding and ship sale disputes) and commodities; and insurance/reinsurance. He is recommended as a leading silk in the current editions of the Legal 500 and Chambers & Partners. He has appeared as counsel in numerous arbitrations in Singapore, is currently acting in arbitrations which are due to proceed to hearings in Singapore, Hong Kong and New York, and is always happy to travel outside England to represent clients.

Michael enjoys sitting as an arbitrator, either alone or as part of a panel. He is happy to accept appointments as an arbitrator both in London and abroad. From time to time, he acts as an expert on English law in foreign proceedings.

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He has been appointed as arbitrator in maritime disputes under LMAA terms and ICC terms and in ad hoc references.


Andrew W. Baker Q.C.

Practising Barrister (since 1989) - dry shipping, commodities, insurance/reinsurance, international banking/derivatives. Appears as counsel in London arbitrations, often LMAA Rules, also Gafta, RSA/SAL and LCIA Rules and ad hoc. Has accepted appointments as arbitrator since 1995.

Charles Baker

Studied languages and then law at Cambridge University. After serving articles with Clifford-Turner & Co he qualified as a solicitor in 1974 and subsequently joined Holman, Fenwick & Willan, becoming a partner in 1978. He opened and ran HFW's Paris office for over three years. In 1989 he set up Herbert Smith's Shipping and International Trade section and in 1999 joined Lawrence Graham as a partner. He joined the North of England P&I Club in 2003 and works in their FD&D department, concentrating mainly on disputes under charterparties/bills of lading, and under ship and offshore construction contracts and MOA's.
During his 30 years in private practice, he was at all times involved with arbitrations under shipping and international sale of goods contracts. He has acted as arbitrator in various charterparty disputes and also in two major ICC arbitrations involving international sale disputes.

Has spoken at a number of international maritime or arbitration seminars on four continents and is the author of articles in journals such as Lloyd’s Maritime & Commercial Law Quarterly, Le Droit Maritime Français, etc.

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Her practice at the Admiralty Bar has involved the full range of “wet” and  
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- the Panel of Arbitrators of the Dubai International Arbitration Centre;
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