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Position

- Andrew Robinson is a Senior Director at Norton Rose Fulbright South Africa.
- He is the erstwhile Chair and CEO of the South African firm and was Global Chair in 2020.
- He sat on both the Global Firm's Management and Supervisory Boards from 2019 to 2023.

Education

- BA LLB (University of Cape Town)
- LLM (University of Wales)
- Post graduate diploma in environmental law (UKZN)

Representative experience

- He has been practicing maritime law since 1988.
- He has been instructed by the leading South African marine insurers and brokers to advised on policy wordings and claims and has develop innovative insurance products relevant to cargo insurance.
- He has been involved in a number of high-profile casualty-related matters, representing owners, insurers, P&I Clubs, charterers and cargo interests.
- He has developed a niche practice in port regulatory work, representing terminal operators and refiners.
- He has litigated matters or represented clients in southern, west and east Africa

Rankings and recognitions

Most recently, Andrew has been ranked as follows:

- He is referred to in The Expert Guides: Shipping and Maritime Lawyers and the 2009 and 2010 editions of WHO'S WHO LEGAL, The International Who's Who of Business Lawyers, Shipping & Maritime.
- He was also listed as a leading lawyer in the Transport industry by Who's Who Legal Transport 2015 (Aviation contentious & Shipping). Andrew is also listed as a recommended shipping and transport lawyer in Legal500, 2018. *Who's Who Legal, 2016* listed Andrew as an expert in Transport (Shipping).
- Band 1 for Shipping in Chambers 2024 where he has been ranked for the past 8 years.
- Key Lawyer for Shipping & Transport in the Legal 500 2024.

Publications

Andrew has authored:

- The chapter on South African Law of Cargo Insurance as part of the International Cargo Insurance book edited by John Dunt.
- The chapter on Flag and Registration of Vessels in the Kluwer Maritime Law Handbook edited by inter alia, Jonathan Lux.

- Numerous articles that have appeared in a broad spectrum of business, trade and television media.

Drafting Legislation:

- He chaired the sub-committee that drafted the proposed amendments to the Admiralty Jurisdiction Regulation Act and related Rules.
- He participated in the drafting of Maritime Law Association Maritime Arbitration Rules
- He drafted a Domestic Carriage of Goods by Road Act for the Association of Marine Underwriters of South Africa
- He was part of the working group that drafted the document that became the UN Convention on the Judicial Sale of Ships.
- He was part of a working group of the MLA that drafted a Marine Insurance Contracts Act

Memberships and activities

- He was the President of the South African Maritime Law Association from 2008 - 2010 and is currently the Chairman of the Admiralty sub-committee and Africa sub-committee of that association.
- He led the South African delegations to the Comité Maritime International (CMI) Conferences and Colloquia in Athens, 2008, Beijing in 2012 and Dublin, Ireland in 2013, Istanbul 2015, New York 2016, Antwerp in 2022 and Gothenburg in 2024.
- He was the Rapporteur and member of a CMI International Working Group for the Judicial Sale of Ships that produced the UN Convention on the Judicial Sale of Ships.
- He is a member of the CMI Ratification of Rotterdam Rules Standing Committee
- He is an Adjunct External Fellow Member of the Centre for Maritime Law, Singapore.
- He regularly participates on panels, presents papers and chairs workshop sessions at numerous conferences, most recently at the CMI Colloquium in Gothenburg where he presented a paper on Africa and the Rotterdam Rules.