

### CAPTAIN MIKE MELLY AFNI MASTER MARINER, MARINE CONSULTANT

Master Mariner STCW II/2

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### EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

2023 to Present      Solis Marine Consultants, Singapore  
Consultant Master Mariner

He will be providing expert advice to clients on cargo matters, and marine incidents including groundings, collisions and allisions attending onboard vessels for investigations and surveys in the Southern African region.

2019 to 2022      Grindrod Shipping, Singapore  
Master

He has served as master on supramax bulk carriers engaged on international voyages. Bulk cargoes that were carried included coal, gypsum and limestone as well as ore products in smaller parcels. Trading routes included ocean passages between ports in China, Southeast Asia, Africa, the Indian Subcontinent and Europe, including Baltic countries.

2017 to 2019

Unicorn Shipping – (Division of Grindrod Shipping, South Africa)

Marine Superintendent

Fleet Mentor, Career Development and Cadet Training Manager

After renewal of his CoC in 2016, he returned to Unicorn Shipping as a marine superintendent being responsible for assisting vessels with their preparations for SIRE inspections, investigation of incidents, liaison with Flag State authorities, Internal ISM/ISPS/MLC audits, navigation assessments, mentoring as well as vetting and approval of stowage and cargo plans.

In addition to his regular duties, Mike also led the development of Unicorn Shipping's career development, cadet recruitment, and mentoring programs which were later extended to the Island View Shipping (IVS) dry fleet.

1992 to 2016

Calcon – Marine Surveyors & Consultants

Owner/Managing Member

He specialised in multi-modal transport and conducted P&I surveys on behalf of Shipowners and Charterers, P&I Clubs and marine lawyers. This work included the investigation of losses to/and contamination of liquid cargoes, loading and discharging issues, stevedore damage, bunker fuel investigations, groundings and heavy weather damage.

As Managing Director at Calcon, he oversaw the provision of a wide range of marine surveying services including several international oil majors, ship owners and both P&I and marine insurers. These services included break bulk cargo surveys (steel pre-loading, paper), cargo lashing and P&I condition surveys, bunker surveys (representing DNV Petroleum Services in Southern Africa), liquid cargoes including crude oil and chemicals. He also established and oversaw Calcon's liquid chemical export program which included the transportation of hazardous liquid cargoes by road.

1990 to 1992

P&I Associates (Pty) Ltd

P&I Surveyor

He specialised as a Petroleum and Petrochemical surveyor conducting vessel condition surveys and assisting with tank-cleaning as well as difficulties with loading and discharge. He has also investigated numerous cargo damage and contamination cases, as well as loss and contamination claims in various countries. He has investigated bunkering and cargo theft, determined cargo quantities, and conducted lashing surveys and marine accident investigations. He received accreditation as a DNV Petroleum Services Surveyor and has experience supervising VLCC ship-to-ship transfers, coordinating oil spill clean-up operations, and assisting with the assessment of marine claims and settlement.

1988 to 1990

International Marine Surveying Services (Since Caleb Brett/Intertek)

Inspector

In his role as Inspector, he conducted independent inspections of land, road, rail and ship tanks for readiness to receive bulk liquid cargo. He also performed gauging and sampling of ship and shore tanks and pipelines in accordance with international standards.

He supervised the loading and discharging operations of petroleum and petrochemical products and crude oils. He also conducted pre-shipment inspections of various commodities including paper products and steel, and also determined the quantity and quality of petroleum and petrochemical products.

1976 to 1988

Unicorn Shipping

Cadet to Chief Officer

He started his sea going career as a cadet with Unicorn Lines and progressed to chief officer obtaining his Class 1 certificate of competence (COC) in 1987. He gained experience of a wide range of vessels as a deck officer, including breakbulk ships, various sized product tankers up to 40,000 DWT and Ro-Ro's.