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Background: Current President and Vice-Chairman of the Houston Maritime Arbitrators Association and has served in past as VP at Large and VP of Marketing.

Background: began career in shipping 1973 and has worked as both owners and charterers broker. Established Samtarel Chartering Corp. in 1984 and is still President & CEO., a partner in ADR Mediation Group LLC, Houston, A founding member & current member of the Connecticut Maritime Association, a member of ITMA.

Arbitrator for Better Business Bureau Auto Line program. Certified mediator and Trainer of Workplace Conflict Member Association for Conflict Resolution, Houston Chapter Certified Trainer of Mediation for the Harris County Dispute Resolution Center, and Mediation Group International. Citizen Mediator for the City of Houston and the HPD.