



## MARITIME SECURITY

### Recent work

- Advising on the applicable laws and different jurisdictions that may govern the use and potential consequences of use of firearms on board the yacht.
- Advising on the licences, permissions and clearances needed in the UK and overseas in order to import, possess, export and transport firearms around the world.
- Advising on the criminal and civil liabilities that yacht and ship owners and operators, private security companies, armed guards and master/crew might face in the event of an incident resulting from an exchange of fire, also taking into account relevant corporate manslaughter legislation and the liabilities of directors and shareholders.
- Advising yacht and ship owners and operators on the vetting of private security companies and assisting private security companies in undertaking the due diligence to be carried out.
- Reviewing and advising on the terms and conditions of private security services contracts, rules for the use of force and insurance policies.
- Advising on the contractual matrix and liability regimes.
- Drafting agreements for the provision of private security services and pro forma rules for the use of force. We sit on the BIMCO sub-committee and are advising on and drafting the "GUARDCON" form.

- Providing emergency assistance to yacht and ship owners, operators, private security companies and their personnel in the event of piracy incidents, detention of yachts/ships, personnel and/or confiscation of equipment and advising on post-incident liabilities.

### What our clients say about us

**"THEIR STRENGTH IN SHIPPING ADVISORY HELPS POSITION US TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THE OPPORTUNITIES IN OUR TARGETED COUNTRIES."**

CHAMBERS, SHIPPING (ASIA PACIFIC) 2019

**"HFW IS WELL POSITIONED TO HANDLE MULTI-JURISDICTIONAL MANDATES BY VIRTUE OF THE FIRM'S PRESENCE IN ALL THE MAJOR INTERNATIONAL MARITIME JURISDICTIONS."**

LEGAL 500, SHIPPING (HONG KONG) 2019

