



DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Coast Guard

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National Maritime Security Advisory Committee; Vacancies

AGENCY: United States Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security.

ACTION: Notice; request for applications.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Coast Guard is accepting applications to fill seven vacancies on the National Maritime Security Advisory Committee (Committee). This Committee advises the Secretary of Homeland Security, via the Commandant of the U.S. Coast Guard on matters relating to national maritime security, including on enhancing the sharing of information related to cybersecurity risks that may cause a transportation security incident, between relevant Federal agencies and State, local, and tribal governments; relevant public safety and emergency response agencies; relevant law enforcement and security organizations; maritime industry; port owners and operators; and terminal owners and operators.

DATES: Completed applications must reach the U.S. Coast Guard on or before [INSERT DATE 60 DAYS AFTER DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER].

ADDRESSES: Applications must include: (a) a cover letter expressing interest in an appointment to the National Maritime Security Advisory Committee, (b) a resume detailing the applicant's relevant experience for the position applied for, and (c) a brief biography. Applications should be submitted via email with subject line "NMSAC Vacancy Application" to ryan.f.owens@uscg.mil.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Ryan Owens, Alternate Designated Federal Official of the National Maritime Security Advisory Committee; telephone 202-372-1108 or e-mail at ryan.f.owens@uscg.mil.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The National Maritime Security Advisory Committee is a Federal advisory committee. The Committee was established by section 602 of the Frank LoBiondo

Coast Guard Authorization Act of 2018, (Pub. L. No. 115-282, 132 Stat. 4192), and is codified in 46 U.S.C. 70112. The Committee operates under the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (5 U.S.C. ch. 10) and 46 U.S.C. 15109. The Committee provides advice and recommendations to the Secretary of Homeland Security through the Commandant of the U.S. Coast Guard, on matters relating to national maritime security, including on enhancing the sharing of information related to cybersecurity risks that may cause a transportation security incident, between relevant Federal agencies and State, local, and tribal governments; relevant public safety and emergency response agencies; relevant law enforcement and security organizations; maritime industry; port owners and operators; and terminal owners and operators.

The Committee is required to meet at least once a year in accordance with 46 U.S.C. 15109(a). We expect the Committee to meet at least twice a year, but it may meet more frequently.

Under provisions in 46 U.S.C. 15109(f)(6), if you are appointed as a member of the Committee, your membership term will expire on December 31st of the third full year after the effective date of your appointment. Under 46 U.S.C. 15109(f) (4), its members are required to apply for, obtain, and maintain a government national security clearance at the Secret level. The U.S. Coast Guard will sponsor and assist candidates with this process.

All members serve at their own expense and receive no salary or other compensation from the Federal Government. The only compensation the members may receive is for travel expenses, including per diem in lieu of subsistence, actual reasonable expenses, or both incurred in the performance of their direct duties for the Committee in accordance with Federal Travel Regulations.

In this solicitation for Committee Members, we will consider applications for the following seven positions:

- One member shall represent the Maritime Industry
- One member shall represent Vessel Owner/Operators.
- One member shall represent Facility Owner/Operators
- One member shall represent the Academic Community

- One member shall represent Port Authorities
- One member shall represent Maritime Labor.
- One member shall represent State and Local Governments.

Each member of the Committee must have particular expertise, knowledge, and experience in matters relating to the function of the Committee, which is to advise the Secretary of Homeland Security on the matters described above.

In order for the Department, to fully leverage broad ranging experience and education, the National Maritime Security Advisory Committee must be diverse with regard to professional and technical expertise. The Department is committed to pursuing opportunities, consistent with applicable law, to compose a committee that reflects the diversity of the Nation's people.

If you are interested in applying to become a member of the Committee, email your application to ryan.f.owens@uscg.mil as provided in the **ADDRESSES** section of this notice. Applications must include: (a) a cover letter expressing interest in an appointment to the National Maritime Security Advisory Committee, (b) a resume detailing the applicant's relevant experience for the position applied for, and (c) a brief biography of the applicant by the deadline in the **DATES** section of this notice.

The U.S. Coast Guard will not consider incomplete or late applications.

Privacy Act Statement

Purpose: To obtain qualified applicants to fill seven vacancies on the National Maritime Security Advisory Committee. When you apply for appointment to the National Maritime Security Advisory Committee, DHS will collect your name, contact information, and any other personal information that you submit in conjunction with your application. DHS will use this information to evaluate your candidacy for Committee membership. If you are chosen to serve as a Committee member, your name will appear in publicly-available Committee documents, membership lists, and Committee reports.

Authorities: 14 U.S.C. 504; 46 U.S.C. 15108 and 15109; and 18 U.S.C. 202(a), and Department of Homeland Security Delegation No. 00915.

Routine Uses: Authorized U.S. Coast Guard personnel will use this information to consider and obtain qualified candidates to serve on the Committee. Any external disclosures of information within this record will be made in accordance with DHS/ALL-009, Department of Homeland Security Advisory Committee (73 FR 57642, October 3, 2008).

Consequences of Failure to Provide Information: Furnishing this information is voluntary. However, failure to furnish the requested information may result in your application not being considered for the Committee.

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