

# Christopher Hamilton Appointed 3rd Vice President of the Propeller Club - Port of Tampa

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Christopher F. Hamilton, a senior associate in Shutts & Bowen LLP's Tampa office, was recently appointed 3<sup>rd</sup> Vice President of the International Propeller Club of the United States, Port of Tampa, Inc. (Propeller Club – Port of Tampa), with a term running from July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021.

Chris has served on the Propeller Club – Port of Tampa's board of directors since 2016. He finds himself well prepared for his role as an officer of the board, working to advance the Club's mission to support the maritime industry, promote maritime education and provide opportunities to foster goodwill and cooperative relationships. As 3<sup>rd</sup> Vice President (3VP), Chris will oversee harbor improvements and port business for the local chapter. Following the completion of his 3VP term in 2021, Chris will transition to the role of 2VP for a one-year term, continuing on his track to become Club President in 2023.

The International Propeller Club of the United States is a worldwide business network with over 80 chapters dedicated to the promotion of the maritime industry, commerce and global trade. Founded in 1929, the [Propeller Club – Port of Tampa](#) is the largest Propeller Club Chapter in the world, serving over 500 active members from a variety of industries. According to the organization, the Propeller Club – Port of Tampa “promotes waterborne commerce and the maritime industry, collaborates with other organizations dedicated to the maritime industry, promotes a spirit of friendship and common purpose, and gives back to the community through a variety of initiatives.”

## About Christopher F. Hamilton

Christopher F. Hamilton is a senior associate in the Tampa office of Shutts & Bowen LLP, where he is a member of the Business Litigation Practice Group. Chris has a unique outlook developed through naval officer training and representing clients in a variety of commercial, maritime, business, and real property litigation before state and federal trial and appellate courts, recognized by *Florida Super Lawyers* as a “Rising Star” in Transportation and Maritime Law for five consecutive years. His experience includes: Contract disputes, business tort claims, and real property litigation; Recording and foreclosing maritime liens; Maritime transactional matters, including vessel documentation and drafting/revising charter parties for commercial and private entities; Private and commercial dock permitting and design disputes; *In rem* vessel arrest and attachment proceedings; Federal admiralty

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actions seeking exoneration from or limitation of liability for vessel owners; Vessel collisions and allisions; and, Maritime wrongful death and personal injury claims, as well as recreational boating, insurance coverage and premises liability matters.

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