

Profile

Kevin P. Gilheany is a retired U.S. Coast Guard officer with more than twenty years of service. His assignments include tours of duty aboard large ocean going cutters such as the USCGC Bear and the Coast Guard Academy's sail training ship Eagle. Gilheany also gained experience on river and inland navigation, as well as in marine construction, while serving aboard the USCGC Wedge, an aids to navigation construction tender operating on the Mississippi River and gulf coastal waters. Gilheany was Coast Guard board certified for command afloat.



Gilheany became a marine inspector in 1998 and was assigned to Marine Safety Office (MSO) New Orleans. His marine inspector qualifications include, barge, large and small passenger vessels, offshore supply vessels, drydock, deep draft hull, deep draft machinery and steam propulsion. Gilheany traveled overseas and conducted inspections throughout Mexico and Central and South America. He worked in the plan review section and reviewed and approved plans for small passenger vessels, and many other assorted vessel modifications. He became a training officer and was responsible for training qualifying marine inspectors. Upon retirement, Gilheany received the Coast Guard Commendation Medal for his work as a marine inspector, including his involvement as the lead inspector on a microbiologically induced corrosion case that resulted in a multi-million dollar legal battle between a number of commercial enterprises.

Upon retirement from the Coast Guard, Gilheany was hired as a marine surveyor by a leading marine survey firm. He traveled throughout the U.S. and overseas and conducted many surveys of commercial vessels including, damage, on-charter, off-charter, sinkings, fire investigations, appraisals, cargo, engine damage, marine structures, suitability to load, loss control, regulatory compliance, etc.

In July 2004, Gilheany formed Maritime Compliance International, LLC and has focused on helping clients achieve and maintain, regulatory compliance. Services provided by Maritime Compliance International include, regulatory compliance surveys, plans, audits, training and assessments. Gilheany provides a unique blend of Coast Guard operational and marine safety experience, coupled with private industry marine surveying and consulting experience. He has also provided valuable litigation consultation services to a number of law firms, as well as representing clients in Coast Guard administrative hearings.

Education: University of the State of New York – Bachelor of Science
U.S. Coast Guard Academy – Leadership Development Center
U.S. Merchant Marine Academy – Tankship Dangerous Liquids
U.S. Coast Guard Training Center Yorktown – Marine Inspector Course
U.S. Coast Guard Training Center Yorktown – Senior Marine Inspector Course
ABS Welding Inspector/ Certified ISM Auditor
Tulane University – Admiralty Practice
New Orleans Insurance Institute – Ocean Marine Insurance
UNO School of Naval Architecture – Classification Society Rules for Marine Vessel
Det Norske Veritas – Accident Investigation