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## Press Release

### **Jones Walker Announces Strategic Alliance With Captain William G. Schubert and International Trade and Transportation, Inc.**

**Washington, D.C. and Houston**—Jones Walker announced today that the firm has entered into a strategic alliance with Captain William G. Schubert, former Maritime Administrator, U.S. Department of Transportation. Captain Schubert, through his company, International Trade and Transportation, Inc. (IT&T, Inc.), provides maritime and government relations consulting services.

“Captain Schubert greatly enhances our maritime practice and strengthens our ability to handle maritime issues at the Department of Transportation, with Congress and the maritime industry. Captain Schubert has over 30 years experience within the industry and that experience will be a tremendous asset to us,” said Chris Johnsen, managing partner of Jones Walker’s Washington office.

The major accomplishments during his tenure as the Maritime Administrator include: the reauthorization of the Maritime Security Program; tax reform for the U.S. maritime industry; successful implementation of the expanded Deep Water Port Program for LNG terminals; and formal establishment of Short Sea Shipping as a national transportation policy. He also worked to eliminate trade barriers through the successful negotiation and implementation of bilateral maritime agreements with China, Brazil, and Russia. In close cooperation with the Department of Defense, Captain Schubert managed the large-scale activation of the Maritime Administration’s Ready Reserve Force in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom and Enduring Freedom. For these efforts, Captain Schubert received the War on Terrorism Medal.

Captain Schubert served as Maritime Administrator from December 2001 until February 2005 and was praised for his service. In announcing Captain Schubert’s departure from the Maritime Administration, U.S. Transportation Secretary Norman Y. Mineta stated, “Bill brought real life maritime experiences directly to his job as Administrator and he has been a tremendous asset to the Department. He was a strong advocate of the nation’s vital maritime transportation system.”



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Captain Schubert stated, “This alliance with Jones Walker is the perfect complement to my maritime background and my continued desire to have a positive impact on the industry. Through this arrangement, I have the access to skilled and prominent maritime attorneys whose client base will benefit greatly from this arrangement.”

Captain Schubert will operate through offices in Washington and Houston. John White, managing partner of Jones Walker’s Houston office indicated that, “Bill will offer the growing maritime industry in Houston a dimension of service that is unparalleled. We are indeed thrilled to be affiliated with Bill.”

*Jones Walker, with over 210 attorneys, provides a full range of legal services to a sophisticated national and international corporate client base through offices in Florida, Louisiana, Texas and Washington, D.C. For more information, visit [www.joneswalker.com](http://www.joneswalker.com)*

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