

## NAEGA SPECIAL GRAIN ARBITRATORS – Effective March 19, 2018 (7 persons total)

### *Special Grain Arbitrators Criteria*

This list is made available to the American Arbitration Association (AAA) and provides for a list of Special Grain Arbitrators who may serve as Chairperson of three-person AAA arbitration panels in NAEGA arbitrations and have met the criteria as outlined in the *Guidelines for NAEGA Approved Arbitrators, Special Grain Arbitrators and Schedule of Fees*.

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**Professional background:** Since 1983 experience and a number of senior management positions at multinational organizations with focus on export operations, credit and risk management, contract structures, negotiations, arbitration, trade finance, letters of credit, documentation, grading and inspections, fleet management (bulkers and tankers), time chartering, voyage chartering, bareboat chartering, voyage analysis, laytime, marine insurance, terminal operation and logistics. Working knowledge of English and American maritime law. Served on various boards and committees including the Merchants Exchange of Portland, the Maritime Fire & Safety Association, NAEGA and the Oregon Board of Maritime Pilots, a governor appointment with unanimous state senate approval. Frequently participated as industry speaker in trade conferences and market programs. Education include a BA in Psychology and Logical Studies; graduate studies in Transportation Management, and various certificates in Advanced Chartering Problems, computer science and business communications.

#### **Mr. Samuel Bonilla**

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**Professional Background:** Retired from Cargill Incorporated after 10 years (1999 - 2009) where last held the position of CASC Trade Execution Leader for North America. Previously worked for Continental Grain Company for 31 years (1968 - 1999) and achieved the position of Assistant Vice President, Manager of Export Administration, in Continental's World Grain Division. During time spent with both companies gained experience in all aspects of export administration, including commodity traffic and contracts. Chairman of the Contracts Committee of NAEGA (2003 - 2009). Currently working with NAEGA as Senior Advisor, Contracts and Commercial Practice, E-mail address: [sbonilla@naega.org](mailto:sbonilla@naega.org).

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**Professional Background:** I have been an arbitrator since 1980. Currently President/Owner of Interactive Dispute Resolution Services. Was Vice President in charge of arbitrations at Continental Grain Company in the Commodity Marketing Group. Served as President of the Society of Maritime Arbitrators, Inc. from 1997 to 2001. Employed by Bunge Corporation from 1973 to 1981 in maritime claims. Worked at Continental Grain Company from 1981 to 2000, handling maritime and commodity disputes and arbitrations in London (GAFTA, FOSFA, LMAA) and in the U.S. (SMA, AAA, NAEGA and NGFA). PhD, Yale University.

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**Professional Background:** Over twenty years experience in grain contracts, shipping and logistics; six years experience in grain arbitration. Arbitrating member for NAEGA; National Grain and Feed Association; Grain and Feed Trade Association, London; Federation of Oils, Seeds and Fats, London; Arbitrator for the Winnipeg Commodity Exchange and arbitration committee.

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**Professional Background:** Former Vice President Export/Operations, Louis Dreyfus Corp. Held a variety of trading positions, as well as administrative positions, during 29-year tenure with Louis Dreyfus Corp. Have served as an arbitrator since 1978 for the National Grain and Feed Association. Chairman, Waterborne Commerce Committee, National Grain and Feed Association; serves on Board of Directors, National Waterways Conference; served on Contracts Committee, North American Export Grain Association; former member, Inland Waterway Users Board.

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trader. Auto-Train as Passenger Terminal Manager. Experience – shipping experience in wheat, feed grain, grain by products, edible oils, glycerine, and animal by products via ocean bulk, rail, barge, and containerized shipments. Includes experience with domestic U.S. logistics and export shipping, purchase and sale contract and governing contracts (NAEGA, NGFA, GAFTA, FOSFA, PORAM and more). Dispute resolution – served as mediator and arbitrator for BBB as well as NAEGA arbitrator. Education – Hillsdale College, University of Louisville (1977, BA Management), National Center for Paralegal Training (1978, post graduate Paralegal). Completed GAFTA Distance Learning Program 2009.