

# NEWSFRONT

## GREEK SHIPPING INTELLIGENCE

15 June 2018

Vol. 19 / No. 23



## LEGAL OPINION

### Sickness of seafarer

Where the seafarer falls ill while onboard, sickness is considered to be a result of his employment. The seafarer is entitled to sickness pay, which is a maximum four monthly salaries as from employment termination due to illness.

Where there is an existing illness which has deteriorated during the period of employment, the seafarer is entitled to health care and maximum two monthly salaries.

Piraeus One membered Court of Appeal Judgment no 330/2016, Judge: R. Anastasiou, Attorneys at law: V. Saxonis, Ev. Papantonopoulou, Maritime Law Review vol. 44, p. 349.

NOTE: Where the owner alleges illness already existed prior to employment of the seafarer, he has the burden of proof of such allegation.

*The legal column was written by Manolis Eglezos, Attorney at law,  
Manolis Eglezos & Associates Law Firm, Attorneys at Law and Consultants*