



the internal waters of a state." The Convention does provide an exception for foreign flag vessels and arguably repeals inconsistent provisions of the Special Maritime and Territorial Jurisdiction statute. Although President Reagan extended the United States territorial sea from 3 to 12 miles in 1988, this extension was specifically limited to National Security purposes only. The Presidential Proclamation states that domestic laws are unaffected by this extension.

More next week on The Admiralty Docket. Until then, remember your rights and responsibilities may change as you approach the shore and may God Almighty grant you pleasant sailing.