

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
MIDDLE DISTRICT OF FLORIDA  
TAMPA DIVISION**

**IN ADMIRALTY**

ODYSSEY MARINE EXPLORATION,  
INC.,

Plaintiff.

vs.

THE UNIDENTIFIED, SHIPWRECKED  
VESSEL, its apparel, tackle, appurtenances  
and cargo located within a 5 mile radius of the  
center point coordinates: to be provided under  
seal at the Court's request, *in rem*,

CASE NO. 8:08-cv-01045-RAL-MAP

Defendant.

---

**NOTICE OF APPEARANCE**

Timothy P. Shusta and Phelps Dunbar, LLP hereby give Notice of Appearance as counsel of record for the Ministry of Defence, United Kingdom and request CM/ECF service copies of all pleadings, notices, papers and other matters filed herein. The Ministry of Defence, United Kingdom, makes a limited appearance in this action, pursuant to Rule E(8) Supplemental Rules for Admiralty And Maritime Claims, for the purpose of challenging this court's jurisdiction over the shipwreck at issue and/or for asserting a claim of right or interest in the vessel and cargo and determination of the issues of ownership of the vessel and cargo and salvage rights.

Signature on following page.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Timothy P. Shusta  
Timothy P. Shusta (Trial Counsel)  
FBN: 442305  
[shustat@phelps.com](mailto:shustat@phelps.com)  
PHELPS DUNBAR LLP  
100 South Ashley Drive • Suite 1900  
Tampa, Florida 33602-5315  
(813) 472-7550  
(813) 472-7570 (FAX)

Attorneys for Ministry of Defence, United  
Kingdom

**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that on May 5, 2009, I electronically filed the foregoing with the Clerk of Court using the CM/ECF system which will send a notice of electronic filing to the following counsel for plaintiff:

Carl R. Nelson, Esq.  
Fowler White Boggs Banker, P.A.  
P.O. Box 1438  
Tampa, FL 33601-1438  
813- 228-7411, ext 1108

Melinda J. MacConnel, Esq.  
Odyssey Marine Exploration, Inc.  
5215 West Laurel Street  
Tampa, FL 33607  
813-876-1776, ext. 2240

/s/ Timothy P. Shusta  
Timothy P. Shusta