circumstances of such loss, and as to whether it was caused by design, or was the result of want of skill, negligence or accident, and shall act according to the result of such inquiry; and such Coroner and any Jury or Juror by him impaneled in the case, and any witness by him 5 summoned to attend at such inquiry, shall, with regard to such case, have the same powers and duties and liabilities, as such Coroner, jury, juror or witness would have in any case mentioned in the said Act; Provided that no Coroner shall institute any such inquiry except upon the requisition, in writing, of the President for the time being of the said Canadian Lake Underwriters' Association, which corporation shall pay all the expenses and costs attending such inquiry.