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SUMMARY OF EXPERIENCE

Professional maritime industry experience as: Regulatory and compliance (Flag State, Class, & Statutory) manager for fleet(s) of International Offshore drilling vessels (Drill-ships, Semi-submersibles, and Jack-Ups). Maritime Industry Senior Marine Consultant/Auditor. Audited and surveyed OSVs, MSVs, Cargo Ships, and Offshore drilling rigs and their SMS (ISM Code). Warranty Surveyor during equipment load-outs and subsea installation operations. MARAD Special Mission Vessel Group Manager (Port Engineer & Port Captain) for SS DIAMOND STATE and SS EQUALITY STATE. Oil & Gas Industry Sales. Sold marine pipes/valves/fittings, marine accommodations, custom steel fabrication. U.S. Coast Guard Marine Safety Officer experience includes Vessel Inspections, Port State Control, Oil Spill Response, Waterways Management, and Port Safety/Port Security Operations.

EXPERTISE

On/Off Hire Vessel Surveys (Audits)	Rig Mover (Class A rating)	Tow Permit Operations
Incident Command System	Marine Warranty Surveys	Vessel Inspections/Surveys
Oil Spill Response & Clean-Up	Environmental Compliance Reviews	USCG Marine Inspector
Environmental Program Auditing	Facility Security Auditing	Quality (SMS/ISM) Auditing
Microsoft Office Applications	Marine Casualty Investigation	Shipyard Risk Assessments
Port Engineer	Port Captain	IMCA Auditor
OCIMF Auditor	Company Security Officer	External Auditor

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Noble Drilling Services, Inc., Houston, TX: 2013 to 2015

Regulatory Compliance Manager – Ensured regulatory compliance for twelve (12) Offshore drilling vessels (Drill-Ships, Semi-Submersibles, and Jack-Ups) with a combined annual revenue of \$1.6 billion and a total of over 393,500 deadweight tons. Operational guidance and cooperation with Class Societies/Flag State ensured no down-time due to regulatory or class compliance issues. Coordinated close-out/correction of Safety Management System (SMS) non-conformities and observations based on external ISM Code audits. Cooperated with coworkers in the resolution of internal (SMS) audit findings/observations.

Noble Denton Marine, Inc., Houston, TX: 2009 to 2013

Senior Marine Surveyor / Maritime Consultant – Reviewed plans for FPSO and subsea installations. Performed Suitability Surveys on Oil & Gas Support Vessels (MSVs, OSVs, & Lift-boats), Tugboats, Barges, and Breakbulk vessels. Attended Load-Outs, Sea fastening, and Offloads as a Marine Warranty Surveyor for high value cargoes domestically and internationally. Audited Safety Management Systems (ISM Code) and issued accurate findings/observations. Coordinated installations in order to ensure the safest and most successful operations. Performed work throughout the U.S., Gulf of Mexico, Columbia, Mexico, Peru, West Africa, and Israel.

Offshore-Inland Marine & Oilfield, Mobile, AL: 2008

Area Sales Manager – Focused on marketing custom fabrication to Offshore Oil & Gas Upstream Industry Sector. Made sales calls on Oil & Gas Service Support Companies including: Drilling Contractors, Seismic Support Vessel Owners, Remotely Operated Vehicle (ROVs) Owners, and Offshore Supply Vessel (OSV) Owners/Operators. Actively promoted all types of steel repair and welding work on marine vessels, drilling rigs, and oil & gas production facilities in the Gulf of Mexico.

QCI Marine Offshore, LLC, Houston, TX: 2007 to 2008

Director of Sales & Marketing – Made sales calls on engineering firms, oil majors, drilling contractors, lease holders, shipyards, fabrication yards, and Offshore Supply Vessel (OSV) owners/operators.

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Researched new construction projects, retrofits and contacted decision makers in order to sell purpose built accommodations and living quarters modules. Actively promoted joiner, HVAC, electrical, plumbing services, and construction services at trade shows nationwide. Used strong maritime network to grow company's market share

W & O Supply, Inc. Houston, TX: 2006 to 2007

Sales Engineer & Product Manager – Made sales calls and lunch & learn presentations at engineering firms, oil majors, drilling contractors, lease holders, barge owners, Offshore Supply Vessel (OSV) owners/operators, shipyards, fabrication yards, and repair/installation companies. Researched new construction projects, retrofits, and contacted project players in order to specify in company products and make sales. Actively promoted products at trade shows nationwide. Used strong maritime network to learn about new opportunities and provided coworkers with information to give them a competitive edge.

Pacific-Gulf Marine Houston, TX USA: 2005 to 2006

Group Manager (Port Engineer/Captain) – Supervised readiness and operation of two (2) Group Ready Reserve Force Vessels (SS DIAMOND STATE & SS EQUALITY STATE). Directed assistant port engineers and site office staff in oversight of repairs, modifications, & contractual issues. Wrote technical repair specifications for a variety of ship board systems. Obtained optimal readiness, training, regulatory compliance, developed budgets, and published maintenance schedules and plans. Ensured vessel regulatory documents were kept current, which included ISM Code Certificate.

Lieutenant, Marine Safety & Security Officer, U. S. Coast Guard: 2001 to 2005

Operations Officer, Port Safety and Security Operations, Marine Safety Office Port Arthur, Texas. Supervised and managed, training, welfare, and personnel/administrative actions for 61 personnel. Responsibilities included a fleet of twelve (12) small port security boats, \$60,000 worth of small arms, and all aspects of security as Command Security Officer. Managed assets in excess of \$2.0 million annually. Managed harbor safety, coordinated dredge & waterway construction, and safety & security zones. As Senior Watch Officer, managed Daily Officer and Petty Officer Watch standing Program, Schedules, and continuous policy revisions & improvements.

Lieutenant, Marine Safety & Security Officer, U. S. Coast Guard: 1999 to 2001

Commanding Officer, Marine Safety Detachment, St. Thomas, U.S. Virgin Islands – Supervised and managed the welfare of unit personnel, and execution of all marine safety missions on Islands of St. Thomas, St. John, and Water Island. Managed successful re-float of 400 ft. freighter aground and partially sunk for over 10 years using "Win-Win" philosophy. This prevented a plausible worst case scenario that would shut-down the area's only power plant. Supervised renovations, maintenance, and procurement for \$8 million facility that supported marine safety, lifesaving, and law enforcement missions and deployed USCG cutters in the Caribbean. Performed over 70 vessel inspections that included small passenger vessels, cruise-ships, foreign freight vessels & Caribbean cargo vessels. Ensured compliance with ISM Code when applicable. Directed nighttime search and rescue of 70+ persons from grounded high-speed passenger vessel and successfully salvaged vessel located one mile off the coast of St. Thomas; awarded Meritorious Commendation (Team) for leadership as on-scene commander.

Lieutenant, Marine Safety Officer, U. S. Coast Guard: 1997 to 1999

D13 Drug & Alcohol Program Inspector and Marine Vessel Inspector, Marine Safety Office Portland, Oregon – Educated and inspected companies in Idaho, Montana, Oregon, & Washington to ensure compliance with marine drug testing regulations. Inspected foreign freight ships, oil/chemical barges, & small passenger vessels and new construction projects (over 50 vessels inspected). Designed and produced first full color brochure to educate industry on drug and alcohol regulations, which significantly raised awareness throughout the 13th District. Created first district policy and business plan to properly administer drug and alcohol inspections on over 2,000 marine-related companies. Prepared and delivered many PowerPoint speeches on Drug & Alcohol regulations.

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Lieutenant, J.G., Marine Safety Officer, U. S. Coast Guard: 1995 to 1997

Marine Casualty Investigator, Violation, Suspension & Revocation Investigator, Marine Safety Office Portland, Oregon D13 Drug & Alcohol Program Inspector and Marine Vessel Inspector, Marine Safety Office Portland, Oregon – Investigated marine casualties, processed violations, and prosecuted mariners in front of Administrative Law Judges. As Assistant Supervisor, supervised and evaluated reserve and active duty investigators. Coordinated inter-agency investigation on fishing vessel block and tackle death investigation; found the equipment manufacturer partially responsible for equipment malfunction. Investigated tug & barge collision with bridge; led to suspension of operator's license through Administrative Law Proceeding. Supervised documentation branch during \$22 million M/V NEW CARISSA grounding/response; praised for outstanding archive of collected documents.

Lieutenant, J. G., Marine Safety Officer, U. S. Coast Guard: 1993 to 1995

Assistant Project Manager Standards Development Branch, USCG Headquarters Washington, DC – Coordinated written congressional response letters, legislation briefs, regulations, annual authorization feedback, and casualty recommendation feedback. Assisted with rewrite of outdated regulations for passenger vessels (Subchapter T & K), which significantly improved safety for passengers and crewmembers based on lessons learned from many high visibility vessel disasters.

EDUCATION AND TRAINING

Master in Business Administration (MBA), Belhaven University, Jackson, Mississippi

Bachelor of Science, Marine Transportation (Ships Officer Program)

U. S. Merchant Marine Academy, Kings Point, New York, USA

National Security Decision Making Graduate Course, U.S. Naval War College

U.S. Coast Guard License – Third Mate of Oceans Steam or Motor Vessels of Any Gross Tons (Continuity)

U.S. Coast Guard Merchant Mariner's Document – Able Bodied Seaman Rating (Continuity)

U.S. Coast Guard Qualified Member of the Engineering Department (Includes: Oiler, Fireman, Water tender, Junior Engineer, Refrigeration Engineer, Electrician, Pump man, Deskman, & Machinist Ratings) (Continuity)

Offshore Survival with Helicopter Underwater Escape Training Certified (BOSIET/HUET)

Confined Space Entry Training

U. S. Coast Guard, Marine Safety and Environmental Protection Professional Designator Pin

OCIMF Vessel Auditor

Beginner & Advanced Fire Fighting Training

U.S. Coast Guard Law Enforcement Boarding Team Member Qualification