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CREDENTIALS:

US Merchant Marine Officer, Master of Steam, Motor and Auxiliary Sail, 100GT, Near Coastal. Assistance Towing, Ordinary Seaman, Wiper, Steward's Department (F. H.) 2009- Current. Bilingual and bicultural in German.

PROFILE:

My experience spans over 50 years operating all kinds of vessels. The diverse range includes my antique Garwood speedboat, cabin cruisers, the fastest yacht 2001, sailing yachts of all types, and the opportunity to be at the helm of the sailing schooner "America" twice. It all started when I crossed the Atlantic as a child aboard the RMS Queen Mary & RMS Queen Elizabeth.

ON THE WATER EXPERIENCE:

Personal starting point:

1970 First boat, 1974 First Power boat. 1979 First sailboat.

1975 Michigan Safe Boaters License.

1976 Sailing certificate, Leland Yacht Club, Leland MI.

1986 US Skiing Instructor Certification.

1987 National One-Design, World Championship, Leland, MI.

2009 Master 100 GRT Motor, Sail & Towing.

2018 Master Diving certification.

Deliveries of Yachts:

J122, Beaufort, NC - Ft. Lauderdale, FL • Lyman Morse sail 40, Charleston, SC - Greenwich, CT • Double Ender sail, 38', Charleston, SC - Daytona, FL • Tartan 27, Marblehead, MA - Stonington, ME • FountainYacht 65', Charleston, SC - Ft. Lauderdale, FL • Beneteau 43', Charleston, SC - Newport, RI • Hampton 60', Hilton Head, SC - Myrtle Beach, SC • Grand Banks 42', Beaufort, NC - Rock Hall, MD • Boston Whaler 42', Charleston, SC. - Brunswick, ME • Galeon 51', Baltimore, MD - Charleston, SC • Etc. Deliveries via Open Ocean and ICW.

Boats owned past & present:

Punt, O'Day 16, Sunfish, StarCraft 16, AquaSport 17, Cobalt 19, Town Class 16, Marshall Cat 22, Custom K. Aage Nielsen / Hodgdon 32 Lobster, Etchell E22, 1941 Garwood Custom Utility 21, Ellis Express 28, Alberg 37 Sloop.

EMPLOYMENT:

Classic Boat Charleston, Charleston, SC - Captain, Owner 2014 - Present Operating Classic vessels for charter in Charleston, SC.

Harbor tours for private clients with Ecology, History of Charleston Harbor and Surroundings. Boat handling Instruction for Sail and Power, Yacht Management and Yacht Deliveries.

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Sandlapper Tours, Charleston, SC - Captain 2018 - Present Operation of Commercial vessels with safety as a priority. Customer Service.

OSA Sail, US Sailing Charleston, SC - Captain, Instructor 2014 - Present Sailing instructions on Colgate 26' and private yachts. Private Charters, Fleet management.

Adventure Harbor Tours, Charleston, SC - Captain 2017 - Present Operation of commercial vessels with safety as a priority. Customer Service.

Charleston Harbor Tours, Charleston, SC - First Mate 2012 - 2014 Responsible for safety for up to 390 passengers and customer service on two of the leading Tour Ships in Charleston, SC.

The Bristol Marina, Charleston, SC - Assistant Dock Manager 2011 - 2012 Customer service, slip management and sales.

Traverse Bay Marine, Traverse City, MI - Sales Consultant 2010 - 2011 Sales and brokerage of new and used premium brand yachts and boats. Representing premiere brands of boats and recreational vehicles for a "Top 100 Dealers", "Brunswick Master Dealer", "Sea-Doo Distinguished Dealer".

Meeker Studio, Boston, MA - Photographer / Designer, Owner 1991 - 2010 Specialized in photography and visual communication for corporate advertising, annual reports, sales brochures and editorial publications for national and international brands and organizations.

Brockway – Smith Company, Andover, MA - Sales and Promotion 2007 - 2009 The leading distribution source for windows, doors, and millwork in the Northeastern US. Sales Promotion Team, Andersen Windows and BROSCO.

Traffic Manager, BROSCO Corporate Quote Department. Sales Rep., Andersen Windows.

West Marine, Inc. Marblehead, MA - Assistant Manager / Sales 2006 - 2009 The leading supplier of boating-related products and services.

Recognized as top salesperson within first month of employment.

Instrumental in surpassing previous annual sales by 20%.

Deliver sales-driven customer service with an in-depth knowledge of the products.

Berlitz International, Inc. Wellesley Hills, MA - Asst. Director, Language Teacher 1988 - 1990 The world's largest provider of language training and cultural consulting services. During my tenure at Berlitz, the school, the second smallest in the company, grew from 73rd. to rank 21st. of 75 schools in the country.

US Skiing, Homestead, Glen Arbor, MI - Certified US Skiing Instructor 1986 - 1988 Instruction of youth and adult students, Private and Group lessons, Race training.

EDUCATION:

New England School of Photography, Boston, MA. 1990 -1991 Corporate and Editorial Photography Degree

Alma College, Alma, MI. 1983 -1987 Bachelor of Fine Arts, Sculpture

References available upon request.