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## MASTER

### STEAM OR MOTOR VESSELS, 1,600 TONS, OCEANS

Highly proficient, motivated and dynamic licensed Master demonstrating notable expertise in vessel management. Possessing both international and coastal experience with exposure to multifarious industry related operations and vessel types including but not limited to: passenger; supply, oceanographic; break bulk; and a special purpose explosive carrier. Astute ability to maintain effective working relationships with all departments aboard the vessel and within the company through utilizing active listening and social perceptiveness ensuring common operational objectives are satisfied. Responsible, dependable individual with a high energy, hands on approach to management. Having excellent communication skills and a proven ability to assess, train, and motivate officers and crew. Highly respected for possessing sound judgment and employing critical thinking during vessel operations. Active in acquiring knowledge of new technology and industry trends. Proactive, results driven individual committed to undertake a new and challenging role.

- Ship Piloting and Navigation
- Crew Training and Management
- Safety and Emergency Procedures
- Maritime Safety Training
- Maintenance Management
- Operations Management
- Marine Research Operations
- Team Building & Leadership
- Client Relationship Management
- Cross Cultural Communications
- Productivity Enhancement
- Critical Problem Solving
- Process Improvement
- Cost Containment
- Cargo Operations

*Technology summary: Navigational Software; Microsoft Office; Internet; email. Operating Systems: Microsoft Windows; Apple Mac.*

## CERTIFICATIONS AND LICENSING

- Master of Steam or Motor Vessels, 1,600 tons, Oceans
- Dynamic Positioning Induction
- Train-The-Trainer
- Safety Training Certificate (STCW-95)
- Vessel Security Officer (VSO, VPDSO)
- Tow Operator Assessment Record (TOAR)
- Radar Observer (Unlimited)
- Basic and Advanced Fire Fighting
- CPR and First Aid (Current)
- GMDSS Operator (STCW) ARPA
- PADI Suba Instructor
- Twin Jet Drive Experience
- ECDIS
- Gulf Safe / SEMS

*Copies of certificates and licenses available on request.*

## OVERVIEW OF VESSEL CLASSIFICATION AND OPERATIONS EXPERIENCE

Vessel	Vessel Specifications	Compliment	Position
Oceanographic Research Vessel, R/V Oceanus	Gross Tonnage 260 Domestic; 177 ft length; 1 EMD Diesel main Engine @ 3,000 SHP; 350 HP Omni-Thruster; CP Propeller.	12 Crew 19 Science party	Captain
Small Passenger Vessel Safari Endeavour	Gross Tonnage 99 Domestic; 1425 IT; Length: 200 ft.; Main Engines Cat 3512 x2; Generators 350 KW X 2; Bow Thruster 250 HP Omini Thruster; Twin Shaft	88 Passenger 37 Crew	Captain
OSV Kerry Gros	Gross Tonnage: 299 ton; length: 180 ft.; Main Engines: (2) GM 16V149 na.; 2000 HP; Twin Shaft, Fixed Pitch; Bow Thruster; (2) GM 16V149 na, 300 HP.	Crew: 5 Passengers: 12	Captain
OSV Emily G	Gross Tonnage: 199 ton; length: 159 feet; Main Engines (2) Caterpillar D 398, 1700 HP; Twin Shaft, Fixed Pitch Bow Thruster: Caterpillar 3306 cat; Beier DP1	Crew: 4 Passengers: 17	2 <sup>nd</sup> Captain
Small Passenger Vessel M/V Yorktown	Gross Tonnage: 97 ton; length: 257 feet; Main Engines: 2x GMC V1692, 1899 HP; Twin Shaft, Fixed Pitched. Bow Thruster: 350 HP, Variable Pitch	Crew: 46 Passengers: 116	Master
Offshore Supply Vessel OSV DMO Pappy	Gross Tonnage: 295 ton; Length: 196 feet; Main Engines: 2x Caterpillar 3516, 565 hp each; Bow & Stern Thrusters; White Gill 401, 9500 LBS @ 360 degrees, 600 HP each. SIMRAD SDP 600, Kongsberg DP1	Crew: 5	Mate

Oceanographic Vessel <i>R/V Point Sur</i>	Gross Tonnage: 395 ton; Length: 135 feet; Main Engines: 2x Caterpillar 379TA marine diesel engines, 565 hp each; Propulsion: Twin Shaft, controllable pitch	Crew: 7 Marine Technicians: 2 Scientific Personnel: 11 Class: Day Passengers: 40	Master
Expedition Cruise Ship Twin Vessels: <i>M/V Sea Lion</i> & <i>M/V Sea Bird</i>	Gross Tonnage: 99.5 ton; Length: 152 feet; Propulsion: Twin Shaft, Fixed Pitch. 1 Bow Thruster	Crew: 22 Passengers: 72	Master
Break-Bulk Freighter <i>M/V Coastal Trader</i>	Gross Tonnage: 495 Tons; Length: 205 feet; Main Engine: , Propulsion: <i>Twin Shaft</i>	Crew: 7	Master (80%) Chief Mate (20%)
Special Purpose Explosives Carrier	Gross Tonnage: 375 ton; Length: 135 feet; Propulsion: Twin Shaft	Crew: 5	Relief Master (40%) Chief Mate (60%)

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

### Oceanographic Research – Oregon State University

Sept 2015 –  
Dec 2017

#### *Research Vessel*

#### **Captain – R/V Oceanus**

Operating a 260 GT, 177 ft. regional class research vessel along the west coast of north America including Alaska, Hawaii and Mexico. Trained, developed, managed, and evaluated performance of seven-member crew. Oversaw deck watches, ship handling, and safety/emergency procedures. Interfaced with marine technicians to ensure safe operation and facilitate communication between scientific party and vessel crew.

#### Key Accomplishments:

- Enabled scientists to conduct effective onboard research for marine education and conservation by developing innovative methods to deploy and retrieve equipment, holding ship on station, and providing general vessel support.
- Reduced safety claims/onboard injuries and increased safety awareness by initiating implementation of ISM, implementing vessel deck safety and inspection program, and leading fire drills and safety at sea training for entire ship company

Enhanced captain/crew relations, boosting crew morale by initiating weekly senior management and crew meetings, providing crew with voice in management decisions, and introducing living/working condition improvements.

- Strengthened science party relationships and improved science party satisfaction by instilling science focus among crew members, facilitating training in science party communications and service strategies, and implementing customer feedback program.

### UN-Cruise Adventures – Seattle, WA.

#### *Adventure Tourism*

Jan 2014 –  
August  
2015

#### **Captain – M/V Safari Endeavour**

Operating a 99 GT, 1425 ITC, 200 foot small passenger Southeast Alaska. In charge Of 37 crew member in domestic and foreign markets. Directed crew training, vessel maneuvering, navigation, deck watches, and emergency procedures. Managed performance of 37-person crew. Served as watch officer.

### KEVIN GROS OFFSHORE – LAROSE, LA

SEPT 2013  
– Jan 2014

#### *Oil Supply Vessel: Emily G and Kerry Gros*

#### **Captain– Offshore Supply Vessel: OSV Emily G**

Operating 199-ton, 159-foot support vessel in the Gulf of Mexico. Performed watch officer duties in both manual ship handling and DP mode. Setup and watch keeping of Beier DP1 (Emily G) system and maintenance of service file. Maintained navigational charts and completed daily administration duties. Supervised workload of AB's onboard ensuring compliance with local and international maritime laws and ship safety policies.  
*Vessel is not DP class certified.*

**EXPLORER MARITIME CRUISES - NEW YORK, NY****OCT 2012 – AUG 2013***Educational based cruises that focus on regional history***Master** – *Cruise Vessel: M/V Yorktown*

Managed operations of 97-ton, 257-foot educational based cruise ship transporting 116 passengers to destinations including Great lakes, Atlantic Seaboard to Jacksonville, FL., Gulf of Mexico, Mississippi River to Memphis, TN. Directed crew training, vessel maneuvering, navigation, deck watches, and emergency procedures. Managed performance of 46-person crew. Served as watch officer.

**Key Accomplishments:**

- Ensured compliance with maritime laws, SMS, ship safety procedures, and passenger service policies through effective crew training and oversight.
- Achieved incident and accident free record by training and supervising both crew and passengers in basic safety procedures.
- Contributed to development and implementation of new customer service, amenity, and itinerary initiatives through weekly itinerary review with expedition leaders and recommendation of new amenities for passenger use.

**DALE MARTIN OFFSHORE – Lafayette, LA****Oct 2011 - Nov 2011****Mate**– *Offshore Supply Vessel: OSV “DMO Pappy”*

Operating 295-ton, 196-foot support vessel in the Gulf of Mexico. Performed watch officer duties in both manual ship handling and DP1 mode. In charge of up-keep and testing of Kongsberg DP1 system and maintenance of service file. Maintained navigational charts and completed daily administration duties. Supervised workload of AB's onboard ensuring compliance with local and international maritime laws and ship safety policies.

**Key Accomplishments:**

- Completed 18 days of sea time toward obtaining Restricted DPO Certification.
- Successfully completed several of the required DPO assessments which were officially signed off.

**MOSS LANDING MARINE LABORATORIES (SAN JOSE STATE UNIVERSITY) – Moss Landing, CA****2004 – 2011***Member of UNOLS, consortium of 61 academic institutions involved in federally funded oceanographic research.**Retired***Master, Marine Operations** – *Oceanographic Vessel: R/V “Point Sur”*

Directed all operations of 395-ton, 135-foot research vessel. Trained, developed, managed, and evaluated performance of seven-member crew. Oversaw deck watches, ship handling, and safety/emergency procedures. Interfaced with marine technicians to ensure safe operation and facilitate communication between scientific party and vessel crew.

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- Strengthened customer relationships and improved customer satisfaction by instilling customer service focus among crew members, facilitating training in customer communications and service strategies, and implementing customer feedback program.
- Ensured ship was fully functional and operational by scheduling and directing periodic ship re-fits.

**ALASKAN FLY FISHER - M/V FLY FISHER****2002 – 2004***Sport Fly Fishing Charter Business.***Owner, Master** - *Fly Fishing guide service operating in Southeast Alaska.*

Operated a 70-foot Hatteras in Southeast Alaska. Provided fly fishing guide services to 6 guests. Family partnership.

**R.J. SHORT – Langley, WA****2001 – 2002***Freelance consulting services for maritime safety training companies.***Maritime Instructor**

Taught groups of maritime companies' employees on basic safety training, firefighting, CPR, first aid, survival at sea, hazardous materials, crowd management. Addressed student inquiries and evaluated progress.

*Key Accomplishments:*

- Trained up to 30 students per three- to five-day courses in STCW via both classroom and field instruction.
- Optimized student learning by planning, coordinating, and leading comprehensive safety training initiatives.

**LINDBLAD EXPEDITIONS – Seattle, WA****1996 – 2001***Adventurous travel package provider that partnered with National Geographic.***Master – Cruise Vessel: M/V “Sea Lion” and M/V “Sea Bird”**

Managed operations of 99.5-ton, 152-foot expedition cruise ship transporting 72 passengers to destinations including Glacier Bay, Canadian Inland Waterway, Puget Sound, Columbia River, Snake River, Baja California, Mexico, and Pacific Ocean. Directed crew training, vessel maneuvering, navigation, deck watches, and emergency procedures. Managed performance of 22-person crew. Served as watch officer.

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**SYNOPSIS OF ADDITIONAL EXPERIENCE**

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<b>Captain</b> with Coastal Transportation in Seattle, WA	<b>1991 - 1996</b>
<b>Mate/Relief Captain</b> with Explosives Technology International (formerly E.I. DuPont) in Ketchikan, AK	<b>1986 -1991</b>
<b>Chief Mate/Relief Captain</b> with Exploration Cruise Lines	<b>1983 - 1986</b>
<b>Mate/Relief Captain</b> with Offshore Tanker Service in Santa Barbara, CA	<b>1980</b>
<b>Marine Electrician/Relief Captain</b> with Roy Hauser in Santa Barbara, CA	<b>1980</b>
<b>Captain</b> with C&C Boats in Santa Barbara, CA	<b>1978 - 1980</b>

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**REFERENCES**

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Stewart Lamerdin 831-595-8347 Marine Superintendent at OSU Ship Operations