



JAMES

CAPTAIN/MATE



South Florida / Costa Rica / Texas

Nationality: American

Current US Passport

Claim Free Insurance History Clean

Drivers License

Fully Vaccinated | Non-Smoker

Languages: Spanish (Conversational)

Interested in a temporary or long-term Captain or Mate position on 80' -140' motor yacht. Preference would be given to a family program with some seasonal charter work and the opportunity to work directly with an owner to create a great and consistent program for them to enjoy. I am also very open to delivery opportunities.

QUALIFICATIONS

- 200 TON NC CAPTAIN'S LICENSE
- RADAR UNLIMITED
- COMMERCIAL TOWING
- STCW-10
- TWIC
- PADI RESCUE DIVER
- USMC WATER SAFETY SURVIVAL INSTRUCTOR (FORMER)
- RED CROSS LIFEGUARD INSTRUCTOR (FORMER)
- U.S. CUSTOMS INTERCEPTOR VESSEL INSTRUCTOR (FORMER)
- TOP SECRET CLEARANCE HOLDER (FORMER)
- SPECIAL WEAPONS & TACTICS INSTRUCTOR (FORMER)

CAREER OVERVIEW

- Dynamic, experienced Captain with diverse background and skill sets
- 20+ Years serving for the Department of Homeland Security in various capacities
- Strong background working with HNWI's, including VIP and Dignitary transportation and protection
- 5+ Years of recent delivery experience onboard vessels up to 180'
- Proficient in sportfishing and dive operations, trip planning/itineraries, all aspects of guest services, and crew management and training
- Proven ability to manage the maintenance and logistics of multiple vessels and/or Owner assets including real estate and vehicles
- Experience sourcing and managing manufacturers and vendors during new vessel build process, retrofits and outfitting to meet budget and deadlines
- Leadership Style:* Consultive, Open, Leads By Example, Communicative

100' Motor Yacht and 62' Chase Boat

CAPTAIN | Sep 2022 - Present

Texas/Florida/Bahamas/ABC Islands/Dominican Republic/Panama/Costa Rica

- Captain for private Owners, families, and guests
- Hosted 2-12 guests for trips ranging from short trips to months-long in duration
- Managed and effectively delegated for up to 4 additional crew
- Responsible for itinerary planning, travel arrangements, and excursions/reservations
- Completed administrative duties and was responsible for reporting and budgeting
- Utilized Excel and vessel management programs
- Handled onboard maintenance/repairs and sourced outside contractors as needed
- Remains on-call as needed when VIPs are ready to utilize or move vessels

42' / 50'

CAPTAIN | Jan 2018 - Present

Port Aransas, Texas/Gulf of Mexico

- Regular Captain of two sport fishing vessels for private client, David Burleson
- Hosted up to 12 guests for offshore fishing trips to 155M in the Gulf of Mexico
- Managed two additional crew to ensure smooth operations
- In charge of trip planning, travel arrangements, excursions, and provisioning
- Furnished detailed operational and expense reports as well as budgets
- Completed numerous maintenance and repair projects

| 40' - 180'

DELIVERY CAPTAIN | Jan 2018 - Present

U.S Atlantic Seaboard/Gulf of Mexico/Caribbean/Central and South America

- Built successful delivery reputation through word of mouth referrals
- Completed 4-6 deliveries per year for various vessels ranging from 40' to 180'

DIRECTOR OF MARINE OPERATIONS | Dec 1997 - Jan 2018

Port Aransas, Texas

- Served for 20-plus years with the U.S. Customs Office of Air and Marine in various capacities, ultimately serving as Director for Marine Operations for the Texas Gulf of Mexico waters
- Responsible for total resource management and overall safe and effective operations, administration, logistics, training, budget, and personnel matters for 48 persons, 12 interdiction vessels, 50 vehicles, and three physical office facilities
- Primary mission was the detection, interdiction and apprehension of vessels seeking to smuggle narcotics, illegal aliens and instruments of terror into the U.S
- Previous included: Supervisory Marine Interdiction Agent (SMIA), Air & Marine Tactical Unit (AMTAC), Marine Interdiction Agent, Air Crew Member, Standardization Marine Instructor, Primary Firearms Instructor, and Health and Fitness Coordinator

KEY SKILL SETS

- Yacht Operations & Compliance
- Team Leadership
- Weather Routing
- Claim Free Insurance History
- Skilled Navigator/Boat Handler
- Trip Planning/Itineraries
- Tour Excursions
- Dive Operations
- Sportfishing
- Sportfishing Tournaments
- Schedul
- Crew Training Programs
- Safety Training/Drills
- Engineering Experience
- MTU Engines
- Detroit Diesels
- Electrical
- Navigation Systems

ACCOLADES

Law Enforcement Duties:

- Top Firearms Score, FLETC, CBES-111
- Top Firearms Score, FLETC, CITP-124
- Top Physical Fitness Score, FLETC, CITP-124
- Section Leader Recognition, U.S. Border Patrol Academy
- Outstanding Physical Fitness, FLETC, U.S. Border Patrol Academy
- Employee of the Month, Liberty County Sheriff's Department
- (2) Letters of Appreciation, Liberty County Sheriff's Department
- (3) Letters of Appreciation, Houston Metropolitan Transit Police Department
- Superior Academic Award, Harris County Sheriff's Academy
- Record holder for physical fitness evaluation task, Harris County Sheriff's Academy
- "Top Gun" M
- Marksmanship Award, Intermediate Officer Safety Survival Class, Harris County Sheriff's Academy

U.S. Marine Corps Service:

- (3) Letters of Appreciation, Meritorious Mast
- Good Conduct Medal, Sea Service Deployment Ribbon
- Outstanding Marine Award, 23rd Battalion, 4th Marine Division

SUPERVISORY MARINE INTERDICTION AGENT (SMIA)

- Supervised, trained, evaluated and guided subordinate Marine Interdiction Agents

AIR & MARINE TACTICAL UNIT (AMTAC)

- Served as an original member of OAM's AMTAC, and trained and served as an UH 60, Blackhawk Helicopter as Air Crew Rifleman and Air Crew Tactical Team Member - deploying several times to national "hot-spots" and national security events

MARINE INTERDICTION AGENT

- Operated and navigated Customs interceptor vessels in offshore waters of U.S. coastline
- Interacted with persons in the marine community, developed sources of information, and initiated marine related investigations

AIR CREW MEMBER

- Served as a Tactical Team Member for air assets assigned to the unit
- Logged hundreds of hours in both rotor and fixed-wing aircraft while providing observer and sensor operator duties for missions in support of (then) Office of Investigations, Border Patrol, and state and local entities aboard A-STAR Helicopters and Cessna 206s/210s from the Texas Coastline to San Angelo, TX

STANDARDIZATION MARINE INSTRUCTOR

- Administered The Standardization Training Program
- Monitored Branch Marine Instructors, conducted Crew Member evaluation and training quality in order to insure training compliance with the national standard

PRIMARY FIREARMS INSTRUCTOR

- Conducted all firearms and tactics training, and maintained weapons and ammunition inventory for the unit

HEALTH AND FITNESS COORDINATOR

- Administered the National Health & Fitness Program for the unit, this included guiding and mentoring unit members in areas of proper diet, exercise, and health related lifestyle issues

OWNER/PRINCIPAL | Jan 2006 - Nov 2011 | *South Padre Island, Texas*

- Partner-owner of a L.L.C. that owned and operated a 120' crew boat for the offshore oil and gas industry upon the Gulf of Mexico, serving as Captain when needed
- Primary duties included solo administration and oversight of all aspects of operations, maintenance, Human Resources and securing working contracts

SHERIFF'S DEPUTY AND DETECTIVE | Jan 1990 - Sep 1997 | *Liberty, Texas*

- Served in various capacities including most recent role as Detective that was directly responsible for the complete investigation of felony offenses committed within the assigned district of Liberty County, Texas
- Previous roles included Hostage/Crisis Negotiator, Dive Team Member, Patrol Deputy, and SWAT Team Member

| 65' - 120'

CREW BOAT CAPTAIN | Sep 1990 - Jan 1991 | *Galveston, Texas*

POLICE OFFICER | Oct 1987 - Aug 1990 | *Houston, Texas*

WATER SURVIVAL & SAFETY INSTRUCTOR | Nov 1982 - Nov 1985 *Okinawa, Atsugi, Yokosuka, Japan*