

# PERSONAL INFO

- **US Passport**
- Clean Drivers License
- Non-Smoker
- No Tattoos
- Languages: English / Spanish
- Location: HONOLULU

# QUALIFICATIONS

- USCG Master STCW II/2 3000 GT (July 2025)
- II/4; IV/2; VI/1; VI/2; VI/3; VI/4; VI/5; VI/6
- AB Unlimited
- Radar Unlimited
- BRM
- HELM Management level
- RFPNW
- PSCRB
- Lifeboatman
- Medical First-Aid Provider
- Advanced Firefighting
- GMDSS
- ECDIS
- ISPS
- SSO
- VPDSD
- VSO
- PADI adv. open water

# BENJAMIN

# **OBJECTIVE**

To secure a Captain position aboard a professionally run private or charter motor yacht where I can apply over a decade of global yachting experience—commanding with calm leadership, precision seamanship, and an owner-first mindset. I aim to lead a cohesive crew, maintain elite vessel standards, and safely deliver exceptional cruising experiences across diverse regions, including the U.S. East Coast, Mediterranean, Pacific, and Southeast Asia. I'm seeking a program that values operational excellence, integrity, and a steady hand at the helm.



# NOTABLE EXPERTISE

- Skilled Navigator & Watch Leader | ECDIS: Transas & TimeZero Diesel Engine Maintenance & Engineering Experience
- Weather Routing & Ocean Passage Planning
- Mini-ISM Management & ISM/ISPS Compliance
- Crew Leadership, Mentorship & Rotational Planning
- Bridge Team Management (BRM) & Safety Drills
- Yard Period Oversight & Contractor Coordination
- Refit-to-Operational Transition Experience
- Voly & Manage My Vessel (MMV) Software Proficiency
- Budget Tracking, APA Management & Expense Reporting
- Planned Maintenance Systems & Inventory Control
- Advanced Yacht Care Product Knowledge

- Provisioning, Inventories & Logistics Management
- Guest Services, VIP Concierge & Shore Excursion Coordination
- Owner Representative Liaison & Trip Planning
- Charter Program Management 100+ Charters Logged
- Watersports Instruction | Tender Ops | Guest Transfers
- Expert in Spearfishing, Sport Fishing, Diving & Ocean Safety
- Graphic Design, Video Production & AV Systems
- Microsoft Office Suite & Digital Communication Tools
- Claim-Free Insurance History | Non-Smoker | Clean License

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# **VESSEL HISTORY**

# M/Y | 59m EXPLORATION YACHT

#### CHIEF OFFICER (ROTATIONAL 2:2) | APR 2024-May 2025 | Indian Ocean, Pacific - SE Asia - SW & E Pacific

- Led and managed the deck department, ensuring flawless execution of guest services, anchoring, mooring, and exterior operations to the highest standard.
- Held full responsibility for ECDIS navigation, including route planning, safety contouring, and real-time decision-making in remote, data-scarce cruising grounds.
- Maintained vessel compliance through ISM/ISPS protocols, conducting regular drills, safety briefings, and managing all crew certification renewals.
- Oversaw all tender operations and guest movements in remote locations, coordinating safe and efficient logistics for transfers, excursions, and offshore support.
- Liaised directly with port agents and government authorities across Southeast Asia to secure immigration, customs, and cruising permits in advance of vessel arrivals.
- Mentored and trained junior deck crew, fostering a resilient, safety-conscious team aligned with high guest-service expectations and operational excellence.
- Spearheaded complex itinerary design in remote and culturally sensitive regions, working closely with ownership and
  their representative to create immersive, off-the-chart cruising experiences that balanced ambition with nautical
  feasibility, local diplomacy, and environmental limitations. Routinely delivered exceptional guest experiences in areas
  where few yachts venture—handling multi-agency coordination, clearance sequencing, anchorage reconnaissance,
  and contingency routing with precision. Recognized internally for bringing a level of tactical and logistical depth to
  itinerary planning rarely seen at the Chief Officer level.
- Successfully delivered the vessel back into full operation following a 9-month refit in Australia, managing the RINA 5year survey, bridge equipment upgrades, full certificate reissue, and contractor oversight.
- Navigated complex regulatory processes under the Marshall Islands flag, including compliance audits, class coordination, and successful completion of statutory surveys.
- Frequently entrusted with driving and maneuvering the vessel in the Captain's absence, serving as bridge lead and delegated watchkeeping officer during port entries, confined passages, and high-traffic zones. Demonstrated calm command presence and precision helm control on a 59m vessel under varying operational conditions.
- Trusted as the primary liaison between deck operations and senior management/ownership—translating real-time operational data into clear, forward-facing reporting and planning.
- Solely managed deck department budgeting, purchasing, and inventory, overseeing vendors, cost tracking, and procurement for all deck gear, safety equipment, and navigational supplies; operated in a dual-role capacity assuming key purser-level responsibilities.
- Acted as bridge lead for pre-arrival planning and compliance preparation, including passage planning briefs, pilot coordination, weather routing, and berth logistics in complex or congested ports.
- Played a key role in cross-departmental alignment, working in sync with interior, engineering, and galley teams to ensure unified service execution and seamless guest experience delivery.
- Reason for leaving: Stepped away from the role to complete upgrade courses for STCW II/2 Master >500GT <3000GT certification.</li>

# M/Y | 40m WESTPORT

#### RELIEF CAPTAIN | OCT 2022-May 2023 | Annapolis, MD to West Palm Beach Florida

- Responsible for passage plans, and exterior maintenance, including the 10m Contender we towed, engineering duties, safety drills, watch schedules, & product inventories.
- I am responsible for drill formats and crew training that fit the vessel's design and purpose as well as maintaining/replacing all Life-Saving Appliances.
- I am maintaining oversight of the yard period, including a replacement of all teak decking and complete deck restoration while managing shipyard work lists while the captain is on holiday leave.

# M/V | 57m OFFSHORE SUPPLY VESSEL

#### CHIEF OFFICER | MAY - OCT 2022- | NW Hawaiian & Line Islands, Johnston Atoll

- I am responsible for all bridge operations encompassing the vessel's movement from navigation; passage plans on paper charts and ECDIS with Transas and Time Zero, to maintaining all the vessel's clearance paperwork.
- I am responsible for drill formats and crew training that fit the vessel's design and purpose as well as maintaining/replacing all Life-Saving Appliances.



# **VESSEL HISTORY**

# M/V

# | 27m SEMI-SUBMERSIBLE JET CATAMARAN

#### HEAD CAPTAIN | SEPT 2019-AUG 2021 | Honolulu and surrounding waters.

As Head Captain, I was responsible for directing the Captains, the senior crew who coordinated the day-to-day activities of all crewmembers, and port engineers, while coordinating vessel tour schedules with the management office.

#### My primary responsibilities were as follows:

- Proficiency in handling characteristics of the jet vessel (maneuvering, docking, anchoring, semi-submersion, and ballasting operations, etc.) as well as the operation of critical systems (electronic navigation aids, steering, de-watering, life-saving appliances and safety equipment, etc...)
- Schedule and oversee all preventive and corrective maintenance requirements.
- Maintenance of required logbooks according to established practice and in established formats.
- Oversee the first mates' supervision of the crew, so that each performed their assigned duties adequately.
- Manage the design and execution of emergency drills, generally taking charge of on-scene response actions.
- Ensure all members of the crew contribute to the maintenance of the vessel and that the mate supervises this work and maintains SEMISUB-related work records.
- Develop daily guest activity objectives and weekly itineraries in accordance with company policy.
- Ensure all shipboard equipment is accounted for and maintained in good order.
- Keep the vessel in compliance with all federal, State, and local regulations and laws.
- · Schedule and oversee annual haul-outs, coast guard inspections, and harbor operations inspections as required.
- Reason for Leaving: COVID-19 pandemic shut down operations. The company went out of business.

#### M/Y

### **| 38m LUXURY LINER**

#### CAPTAIN | JUL 2019-SEPT 2019 | Los Angeles, Orange County, Channel Islands

- Temporary Captain position fulfilling six one-weeklong charters for Hollywood elite clients out of Marina del Rey.
- <a href="https://luxuryliners.com/product/super-yacht-charter-los-angeles">https://luxuryliners.com/product/super-yacht-charter-los-angeles</a>

### M/V

### **| 55m DAMEN AMELS SEA AXE**

#### CHIEF OFFICER | MAR 2019-JUL 2019 | Atlantic Crossing/East & West Mediterranean

- Responsible for all bridge operations encompassing the vessel's movement (9000+ NM and eight countries in five
  months) from navigation, and passage plans on paper charts (Ordered and corrected through Bluewater with
  "Digitrace") and ECDIS with Transas and Time Zero, to maintaining all the vessel's clearance paperwork. I liaised with
  agents and customs officers, clearing the vessel in and out of each country.
- Proficient in MMV (Manage My Vessel Software) to handle all crew paperwork, ISM checklist, inventories, and maintenance schedules for the yacht and tenders/toys.
- Managed three deck crew for all paintwork ("Awlgrip" and "International") and maintained the exterior of the vessel including four tenders: (12.5m Thechnohull Omega | 12m Ocean 1 | 9m Sea Legs | 8m Ski Nautique) and 4 Yamaha FX Ltd Waverunners along with numerous other jet toys and watersports equipment as well as a full dive center and gym.
- Created drill formats and crew training that fit the vessel's design and purpose as well as maintained/replace all safety equipment through its expiration periods.
- Reason for Leaving: 5:1 rotation I decided to pursue a job closer to home to be closer to my partner and family

#### M/Y

### 26m OCEAN ALEXANDER

#### CAPTAIN | APR 2018-MAR 2019| Pacific Ocean/Sea of Cortez

- Extensive restructuring of the yacht maintenance program bringing the level of upkeep on the interior/exterior/engineering/crew back up to super yacht standards, prior to welcoming the owners back.
- I Developed maintenance schedules and restored the look of the yacht through two one-month yard periods including an interior refit managing multiple contractors and bids meeting strict deadlines for owner trips.
- I Organized numerous creative itineraries consisting of Sport Fishing, SCUBA Diving, and Hiking to explore our cruising regions of Baja Mexico and Southern California, including locally piloted navigation of the uncharted inland Baja waters of Adolpho Lopez Mateos to witness the annual birthing of the gray whales.
- I Managed and trained two green crew on how to maintain the interior/exterior and provide five-star service and experiences for the owner and their guests.
- Reason for leaving: Return to large yachts

#### M/

### **147m CANTIERI DI PISA**

### CHIEF OFFICER | FEB 2018-APR 2018 | Atlantic/Bahamas/Florida

- I received the boat from dockwise in poor condition due to it having only a skeleton crew.
- I was charged with crewing it up and preparing it for Miami Boat Show in two weeks' time where it was sold.
- I Brought all logs, charts, publications, and navigation software up to date.
- As the only crew with Florida/Bahamas experience, I liaised with all provisioners, local customs agents, and marinas along with local logistics connections to prepare for 3 back to back Bahamas charters after the Miami Boat Show.
- I Created all passage plans and itineraries for the charters and was the guide to all Exumas locations.
- Reason for leaving: Temporary contract and sale of the vessel.



# **VESSEL HISTORY**

# M/Y

# I | 38m CHRISTENSEN

### MATE | MAY 2016-MAY 2017 | Atlantic/Florida/Bahamas/Caribbean

- Heavily chartered yacht completing 27 charters in the Bahamas and Caribbean
- Directed all guest excursions, island tours, fishing trips, and beach setups.
- Responsible for passage plans, and exterior maintenance, including the 10m Contender we towed, engineering duties, safety drills, watch schedules, & product inventories.
- Responsible for oversight of two yard periods, including an exterior paint job and full capping rail varnish restoration, while managing shipyard work lists while the captain was on holiday leave.
- Reason for leaving: To attend MPT and upgrade my license May 2017 Feb 2018

# M/

### 39m DELTA

### MATE | JUN 2015-MAY 2016 | Atlantic/NYC/FLL/Bahamas/Caribbean

- Charged with navigation watches, towing operations, captain of the 12' Jupiter, sport fishing, SCUBA diving, exterior maintenance & deck duties.
- Reason for leaving: My partner and I accepted a position together on M/Y Cherish II

# | 14m Zodiac CZ-7

#### CAPTAIN | MAR 2013-JUN 2015 | Kauai, HI and surrounding waters

- Captained 14m Zodiacs with twin outboard 250s; I had one crew and up to 14 passengers for 4 hours on the Na Pali Coast, which is the most isolated and rugged coast in the Hawaiian island Chain. Working two Charters per day.
- Negotiated tight sea caves and performed technical helm control. This position required very technical driving through the sea caves while narrating and telling guests the history of the coastline, along with lifeguarding while guests were snorkeling. Reason for leaving: Return to yachting

# M/Y

# 25m SUNSEEKER

#### CAPTAIN | JUL 2014-NOV 2014 | Pacific Ocean/Hawaii

- I was responsible for all Engine room logs and maintenance schedules. I had two full-time crew (deck & stew). Very busy schedule, owners used boat 5-6 days a week during summer. Many social parties and family SCUBA trips where I lead all the dives. Lots of west coast trips from San Diego to San Francisco, Channel Islands, and Newport Beach.
- Reason for leaving: I was brought over from Hawaii only for this seasonal position

#### M/V

# | 38m EXPLORER YACHT

#### MATE | DEC 2011-SEP 2012 | Pacific Ocean, Panama/Costa Rica/Mexico

- Responsible for maintaining all safety equipment and running drills with the crew.
- My maintenance responsibility included two 7m outboard tenders, managing deck crew and day workers on all
  projects, and weekly upkeep. I Created and maintained procedural logs to bring organization into the exterior upkeep
- Responsible for the organization of all spearfishing and scuba equipment. This boat was solely for fishing. We carried all the spearfishing gear as yacht #4 in his fleet.
- Reason for leaving: Sale of Yacht. I took an extended holiday thereafter.

# M/Y

# | 64m FEADSHIP

#### BOSON | SEP 2011-NOV 2011 | Western Med., Monaco/France/Gibralter/Spain/Mallorca

• Replacement for injured boson as the chase boat captain/tender driver around Mallorca and S. of France (13m WALLY w/Twin Volvo IPS Drive) and car chauffeuring (Mercedes Maybach) aside from regular deck duties + Heli Ops. | Reason for leaving: Temporary contract during boson's recovery.

# M/Y

# | 60m TRINITY

#### BOSON | JAN 2011-SEP 2011 | Caribbean/FTL/ATL Cross/Spain

• I was brought in as a replacement Bosun to finish out the owners' Caribbean season. We did a short Yard in Rybovich and Atlantic crossing followed by Med Season. I ran the 9M tender with twin 250s for all scuba diving, and fishing trips. I assisted the dive instructor with all scuba equipment. I was responsible for all deck maintenance and was a watch leader. | Reason for leaving: New Management = Entire crew change.

### **SUNSEEKER YACHT**

#### MATE | MAR 2008-JAN 2011 | Pacific - Newport Beach, CA

• I lead a team of 5 deckhands managing operations of eleven boats in a fractional ownership program ranging 16m-30m. I was responsible for exterior maintenance and general deck safety, navigational watches, overseeing watersports, engine room logs/maintenance, interior detailing, and I also did creative advertising work for the sales office. | Reason for leaving: To pursue a career in yachting proper.



# NOTABLE REFERENCE

# **ABOUT BENJAMIN**

Having grown up in Sunset Beach on the North Shore of Oahu, Hawaii I am well experienced in heavy ocean conditions as an all around waterman and adept seafarer. My sail and motor experience growing up and in my career has taken me to California, Mexico, Panama, Costa Rica, Nicaragua, Guatemala, Bahamas, Caribbean, Eastern & Western Mediterranean, Trans-Atlantic, Hawaii and Tahiti.





# **INTREST/ACTIVITIES**

Commercial RE Investing, Surfing, Golf, Free Diving/Spear Fishing, Sport Fishing, Scuba Diving, Snowboarding, Running, Hiking, Yoga, Fitness, Paddleboard Racing, Water Safety, Financial Education Books, Guitar, Culinary & Fine Art.





# **REFERENCES**



















