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Professional Summary

Ex-Hospitality Manager from the Caribbean with a current USCG 50-GT Master Captain with many years of previous boating experience and commanding teams in the hospitality and watersports industry. Proven expertise in staff leadership, safety protocol enforcement and emergency response. Adept at maintaining a cool head and operational excellence and passenger and crew safety during emergencies.

Key Skills

- PADI Dive Master
- Passenger/Client Relations
- Vessel Cleaning and Maintenance
- Training & Performance Management
- Emergency Response & Crisis Resolution
- Safety Regulation Compliance
- Advanced Navigation Systems (AIS, GPS, Radar)

Professional Experience

Resort Manager

General manager of several well-known resorts on St. Maarten/St. Martin 1985 - 2017

Ecolodge Developer

Created an Eco Lodge in the mountains of the Commonwealth of Dominica 2013 - 2017

Restaurant Manager

Owner and manager of two large international restaurants on St. Maarten 1991- 2006

Captain

Island Spirit 37' Sailing Catamaran, SV Miami, FL I Jan 2000 – 2002

- Co-owned and sailed a 37-foot sailing catamaran with my family on board. Crossed the Atlantic twice and sailed around in the Mediterranean. Trip lasted 2 years.
- Greatly improved onboard safety with repeated safety drills and installing many extra handholds on the vessel.
- Coordinated with my brother-in-law and who took turns being Captain for the day. Alternating as First Mate.
- Managed the annual budget for fuel, docking charges and maintenance. Boat was sold after completion of trip.

First Mate

Dutch Registered SV St. Maarten, Netherlands Antilles I Feb 2009 - Sep 2009

- Assisted in the safe delivering of a 54-foot Amel Super MARAMU 2000 private sailing yacht, ensuring a comfortable and safe trip originating on St. Maarten in the Caribbean and ending up in Tahiti in the Pacific Ocean, with a crossing through the Panama Canal and with stop-overs in the Galapagos Islands, The Marquisas and the Tuamotus for specialized diving sessions.
- Led night watches and emergency drills, resulting in a flawless and safe crossing.
- Improved daily sailing distances by 15% by trimming the sails efficiently.
- Provided emergency repair services as needed when breakdowns occurred.

CEO / Manager

Charters, St. Maarten, Caribbean 2010 - 2013

Created and Managed a Yacht Charter Company with two Magnum brand speedboats, a 44' Magnum Banzai and a 54' Magnum Custom respectively.

- Created the advertisements and website for the business.
- Oversaw the daily maintenance and detailing needs of both vessels.
- Managed client interactions and scheduling.

- Dealt exclusively with VIP Clients. Most well-known client was Lady Gaga.

Certifications

- USCG 50 GT Master License I Sea school I Fort Lauderdale I 2025
- USCG UOPV License I Sea School I Fort Lauderdale I 2025
- STCW '95 Certification I Saint Martin I 2013 (Expired)
- CPR/First Aid Certified I Sea School I Fort Lauderdale I 2025
- VHF Radio License I Saint Martin I 2013 (Expired)
- PADI Open Water Diver I Key Largo I 1984
- PADI Dive Master Certification & Deep, Cave, Wreck, Naturalist, Rescue Certifications I 1998

Education

Highschool Diploma, The Netherlands, Europe
Associate in Arts I Hospitality Management I College, EL FL
Associates in Science I Hotel, Restaurant and Institutional Management I College, EL Community Association Management Courses I Florida Government Issued License

Additional Skills

- Fluent in English and Dutch. Learning basic Spanish
- Clean Class "E" Driver's License and late model dependable car
- Experienced in crisis management and conflict resolution
- Honest and trustworthy
- Punctual and dependable
- Member of Drug Consortium and holder of valid TWIC card

Volunteer Work

- Search & Rescue Volunteer with the Dutch Coast Guard, St. Maarten I Rescue Missions

References available on request. Available immediately.

