

**UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY
UNITED STATES COAST GUARD**

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| UNITED STATES COAST GUARD, |) | |
| Complainant, |) | |
| |) | Docket Number: 2025-0069 |
| vs. |) | |
| |) | MISLE Activity ID: 8070191 |
| DANIEL VIDAL JUAREZ, JR. |) | |
| Respondent. |) | |

CONSENT ORDER

Issued: May 16, 2025

By Order of Administrative Law Judge: Hon. Jennifer A. Mehaffey

Appearances:

For the Coast Guard

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For the Respondent

Daniel Vidal Juarez, Jr., *Pro se*

CONSENT ORDER APPROVING SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT

On February 10, 2025, the Coast Guard filed a Complaint against Daniel Vidal Juarez, Jr. (Respondent) seeking to suspend his Merchant Mariner Credential. On May 14, 2025, the Coast Guard filed a Motion for Approval of a Settlement Agreement and Entry of Consent Order, containing the Settlement Agreement to be approved as a settlement of this case under 33 C.F.R. § 20.502.¹

As evidenced by their respective signature, the parties assert that settlement is in the public interest and appropriate based on Respondent's cooperation and good faith efforts towards remediation. The parties also agree the entry of a Consent Order approving this settlement without further litigation is the proper means of resolution in this matter. Accordingly, the parties have expressly waived their right to a hearing and appeal in this matter and I have not conducted a hearing on the merits of this case. I have carefully reviewed the terms of the Settlement Agreement and find that it is fair, reasonable, and in substantial compliance with the requirements of 33 C.F.R. § 20.502.

¹ This case was initially assigned to me as an Admission case on April 10, 2025. On May 13, 2025, I held a pre-hearing conference to clarify the regulatory authority listed in the Coast Guard's Complaint. During this pre-hearing conference, the parties informed me they were currently in settlement negotiations.

ORDER

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, the Motion for Approval of Settlement Agreement and Entry of Consent Order is **GRANTED**, and the Settlement Agreement is **APPROVED** in full and incorporated herein by reference. This Consent Order shall constitute full, final, and complete adjudication of this proceeding.

Done and dated May 16, 2025
New York, NY

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'J. MehaFFEY', is written over a faint, circular, light-gray watermark. The signature is fluid and cursive.

HON. JENNIFER A. MEHAFFEY
Administrative Law Judge
United States Coast Guard