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

UNITED STATES COAST GUARD,)
Complainant,)
-) Docket Number: 2024-0018
vs.)
) MISLE Activity ID: 7846817
KENARD KILBY,)
Respondent.)

ADMISSION ORDER

Issued: January 26, 2024

By Order of Chief Administrative Law Judge: Walter J. Brudzinski

Appearances:

For the Coast Guard

LT Brian Talerico USCG Sector Honolulu

For the Respondent

Kenard Kilby, Pro se

ADMISSION ORDER

On or about January 23, 2024, the United States Coast Guard Sector Honolulu (Coast Guard) issued a Complaint against Kenard Kilby (Respondent), alleging a violation of misconduct under 46 U.S.C. § 7703(1)(B) and 46 C.F.R. § 5.27. Specifically, the Coast Guard alleges on December 29, 2023, Respondent was an employee of Norwegian Cruise Lines and subject to its policies. Norwegian Cruise Lines has a policy prohibiting employees from being onboard the PRIDE OF AMERCIA with a blood alcohol content (BAC) above 0.04%.

On December 29, 2023, Respondent underwent two breath alcohol tests. The read result for the first test was 0.334% BAC, and the read result for the second test was 0.318% BAC, which is a violation of Norwegian Cruise Lines' Drug and Alcohol Policy. Respondent's violation of Norwegian Cruise Lines' Drug and Alcohol Policy is misconduct as described by 46 U.S.C. § 7703(1)(B) and defined by 46 C.F.R. § 5.27. The Coast Guard further states, in aggravation, Respondent was on duty with a BAC over 0.04%. As a result, the Coast Guard proposes a sanction of five (5) months outright suspension of Respondent's Merchant Mariner Credential (credential).

In Respondent's Answer, dated January 23, 2024, he admits to all jurisdictional and factual allegations, and agrees with the proposed sanction. Further, the Coast Guard advises that Respondent deposited his credential with the Coast Guard on this date.

WHEREFORE,

ORDER

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Respondent's violation of misconduct under 46 U.S.C. § 7703(1)(B) and 46 C.F.R. § 5.27 is **PROVED BY ANSWER**. I have carefully reviewed the file and find that the proposed sanction is appropriate under the provisions of 46 C.F.R. § 5.569.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Respondent's Merchant Mariner Credential is

SUSPENDED OUTRIGHT FOR FIVE (5) MONTHS, commencing on January 23, 2024, the
date it was deposited with the Coast Guard.

Done and dated January 26, 2024 New York, NY

Walter J. Bruginski

HON. WALTER J. BRUDZINSKI CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE UNITED STATES COAST GUARD