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

UNITED STATES COAST GUARD,)
Complainant,)
_) Docket Number: 2023-0474
VS.)
) MISLE Activity ID: 7820968
COLLIN JASPER RHYINS,)
Respondent.)

ADMISSION ORDER

Issued: March 4, 2024

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

Appearances:

For the Coast Guard

Charles B. Wolfe USCG Sector New York

For the Respondent

Collin Jasper Rhyins, Pro se

DECISION AND ORDER

The United States Coast Guard Sector New York issued a Complaint against Collin Jasper Rhyins (Respondent) on or about February 6, 2024, 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 October 6, 2023, Respondent was an employee of NCL, PRIDE OF AMERICA and subject to its policies. NCL, PRIDE OF AMERICA has a policy prohibiting employees from being intoxicated with a blood alcohol level (BAC) greater than 0.04% while onboard the vessel.

On this date, Respondent was intoxicated with a BAC greater than 0.04% while onboard the vessel, which is a violation NCL, PRIDE OF AMERICA's Drug and Alcohol Policy. Respondent's violation of NCL, PRIDE OF AMERICA's 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 proposes a sanction of two (2) months of outright suspension of Respondent's Merchant Mariner Credential (credential).

In Respondent's Answer, February 6, 2024, he admits to all jurisdictional and factual allegations, and agrees with the proposed sanction.

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 TWO (2) MONTHS, commencing on the date Respondent deposits his credential with the Coast Guard.

Done and dated March 4, 2024 New York, NY

HON. WALTER J. BRUDZINSKI

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE

Walter J. Brudinska

UNITED STATES COAST GUARD