

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

UNITED STATES COAST GUARD,)	
Complainant,)	
)	Docket Number: 2025-0286
vs.)	
)	MISLE Activity ID: 8134880
DARRYL JEROME CHAMBERS,)	
Respondent.)	

ADMISSION ORDER

Issued: July 9, 2025

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

Appearances:

For the Coast Guard

CWO Joshua J. Yanez
USCG Sector Miami

For the Respondent

Darryl Jerome Chambers, *Pro se*

On June 4, 2025, Coast Guard Sector Miami (Coast Guard) filed a Complaint against Darryl Jerome Chambers (Respondent) alleging one count of misconduct as described by 46 U.S.C. § 7703(1)(B) and defined by 46 C.F.R. § 5.27.

In the Complaint the Coast Guard alleges Respondent acted under the authority of his Merchant Mariner Credential (MMC) by serving as a cook aboard the PRIDE OF AMERICA as required by an employer as a condition of employment. The Coast Guard further alleges:

1. On November 6, 2024, Respondent was employed by NCL, Bahamas LTD and subject to NCL (Bahamas) LTD policies.
2. On November 6, 2024, NCL, Bahamas LTD had a policy prohibiting employees from being under the influence of alcohol while onboard a company vessel.
3. On November 6, 2024, while on board the PRIDE OF AMERICA, the Respondent was observed by the Security Officer as being under the influence of alcohol due to observations of manner, disposition, speech, muscular movement, and strong odor of alcohol in violation of NCL Bahamas LTD Drug and Alcohol Policy.
4. On November 6, 2024, Respondent failed to submit to a alcohol breathalyzer chemical test in violation of NCL Bahamas LTD Drug and Alcohol Policy.
5. Respondent's violation of NCL, Bahamas LTD's Drug and Alcohol policy is Misconduct as described by 46 U.S.C. § 7703(1)(B) and defined by 46 CFR § 5.27.

Based on these facts, the Coast Guard proposes a sanction of six (6) months outright suspension of Respondent's MMC.

In Respondent's Answer, dated June 4, 2025, he admits to all jurisdictional and factual allegations, and agrees with the proposed sanction.

Upon consideration of the record, I hereby find that the allegations in the Complaint are **PROVED BY ANSWER**. I find that on November 6, 2024, Respondent committed an act of misconduct as described by 46 U.S.C. § 7703(l)(B) and defined by 46 C.F.R. § 5.27.

SANCTION

I have carefully reviewed the Complaint and Answer and find that the proposed sanction is appropriate under the provisions of 46 C.F.R. § 5.569.

WHEREFORE,

ORDER

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Respondent's misconduct as described by 46 U.S.C. § 7703(1)(B) and defined by 46 C.F.R. § 5.27 is **PROVED BY ANSWER**.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Respondent's Merchant Mariner Credential is **SUSPENDED OUTRIGHT FOR SIX (6) MONTHS**, commencing on the date Respondent deposits his credential with the Coast Guard.

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE, service of this decision on the parties and/or parties' representative(s) serves as notice of appeal rights set forth in 33 C.F.R. §§ 20.1001 – 20.1004. (Attachment A).

Done and dated July 9, 2025
New York, NY

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "J. MehaFFEY", with a large, sweeping flourish extending to the left.

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