

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

UNITED STATES COAST GUARD,)	
Complainant,)	
)	Docket Number: 2023-0286
vs.)	
)	CG Enforcement Activity ID: 7662684
TRENTON ANTHONY WALTERS,)	
Respondent.)	

ADMISSION ORDER

Issued: January 11, 2024

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

Appearances:

For the Coast Guard

Lee Willett
USCG Marine Safety Unit Savannah

For the Respondent

Trenton Anthony Walters, *Pro se*

ADMISSION ORDER

On or about August 2, 2023, the United States Coast Guard Marine Safety Unit Savannah (Coast Guard) issued a Complaint against Trenton Anthony Walters (Respondent) seeking to revoke his Merchant Mariner Credential (MMC or credential) for drug use in violation of 46 U.S.C. § 7704(b) and 46 C.F.R. § 5.35. Specifically, the Coast Guard alleges Respondent took a required random drug test pursuant to 46 C.F.R. Part 16 on September 3, 2022, in which Respondent's specimen test positive for marijuana metabolites (THCA).

In Respondent's Answer, dated October 30, 2023, he admits to all jurisdictional and factual allegations. The Answer indicates Respondent does not request settlement discussions and does not request to be heard on this matter. Although Respondent did not check the box agreeing with the Coast Guard's proposed order of revocation, he admits to the factual allegation of Use of or Addiction to the Use of Dangerous Drugs under 46 U.S.C. 7704. Revocation is the only proper order for this charge. *See* 46 C.F.R. § 5.569.

WHEREFORE,

ORDER

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Respondent's violation of Use of or Addiction to the Use of Dangerous Drugs under 46 U.S.C. § 7704(b) and 46 C.F.R. § 5.35 is **PROVED BY ANSWER**. I have carefully reviewed the file and find that the proposed sanction of revocation is appropriate under the provisions of 46 C.F.R. § 5.569.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Respondent's Merchant Mariner Credential is **REVOKED**. Respondent must immediately surrender his credentials to the Investigating Officer at the United States Coast Guard Marine Safety Unit Savannah, 100 W. Oglethorpe Ave., Suite 1017, Savannah, GA 31401. If Respondent knowingly continues to use his credentials, he may be subject to criminal prosecution.



HON. WALTER J. BRUDZINSKI
Chief Administrative Law Judge
United States Coast Guard

Date: January 11, 2024