

**UNITED STATES OF AMERICA  
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY  
UNITED STATES COAST GUARD**

**UNITED STATES COAST GUARD,**  
Complainant,

v.

**MICHAEL JOSEPH HIGGERSON,**  
Respondent.

ALJ Docket No.: 2025-0289  
USCG Enforcement No.: 8153046

HONORABLE GEORGE J. JORDAN  
ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE

**CONSENT ORDER APPROVING SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT**

On July 2, 2025, the parties in this case submitted a Motion for Approval of Settlement Agreement and Entry of Consent Order to be approved as a settlement of the case under 33 C.F.R. § 20.502.

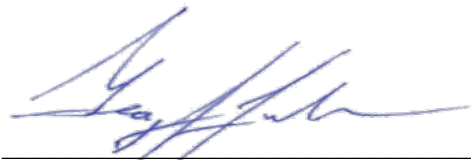
I have carefully reviewed the terms of the Settlement Agreement and find it is fair and reasonable and in substantial compliance with the requirements of 33 C.F.R. § 20.502

**ORDER**

Upon consideration of the record, it is hereby **ORDERED**, 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.

**SO ORDERED.**

Done and dated, July 8, 2025,  
Seattle, Washington



GEORGE J. JORDAN  
UNITED STATES COAST GUARD  
ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE