

In the Matter of License No. 247748 Merchant Mariner's Document No.
Z-85164-D5 and all other Seaman Documents
Issued to: EDWARD U. JONES

DECISION OF THE COMMANDANT
UNITED STATES COAST GUARD

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EDWARD U. JONES

This appeal has been taken in accordance with Title 46 United States Code 239(g) and Title 46 Code of Federal Regulations 137.30-1.

By order dated 12 September 1963, an Examiner of the United States Coast Guard at New York, New York, suspended Appellant's seaman documents for six months on twelve months' probation upon finding him guilty of misconduct. The specification found proved alleges that while serving as a Third Assistant Engineer on board the United States SS BARBARA JANE under authority of the license above described, on 21 May 1962, Appellant assaulted and battered the Second Mate while the ship was at Nagasaki, Japan.

At the hearing, Appellant was represented by professional counsel. Appellant entered a plea of not guilty to the charge and specification.

Due to the exclusion of other testimony offered by the Investigating Officer, the Examiner's conclusion that Appellant was guilty as alleged is predicated solely on the testimony of the Third Mate. He stated that he saw Appellant and the Second Mate

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