

Johannes Schild Resumé

Objective: To offer solid knowledge of commercial and recreational vessels, management of vessels, commercial and nautical, while utilizing the dynamic and strong background attained in the maritime industry to serve as Expert Witness, Port Captain, Salvage Master, Marine Consultant and/or Marine Surveyor. As a result of over 45 years experience all over the world, I am comfortable working with people from diverse backgrounds, occupations and cultures, while quickly adapting to new environments and responsibilities.

Experience: **Mooring Masters – A division of Marine Consultancy, LLC** Spanish Fort, AL USA
2007-present, President/CEO

- Evaluate vessels for suitability of STS operations
- Sub-contractor for a commodities company to evaluate and designate Mooring Masters for Ship-to-Ship Transfers of bunkers in the Gulf of Mexico, Caribbean, Atlantic, etc.
- Subcontractor/consultant for a naval architect firm engaged by the US Navy to improve Ship To Ship (STS) mooring operation on navy vessels.
- Development and implementation of an Offshore Bunkering Operations Manual outlining safety guidelines, checklists and procedures for operations including inspections of all mooring materials (wires, shackles, fenders, chains, hoses, ropes, and other related gear, including the securing of hoses and fenders on the deck of the vessel.
- Supervise fender rigging on all employed vessels
- Design fender rigging systems on various types of vessels, as well as all employed vessels

Marine Consultancy, LLC
2002-present, President/CEO

Spanish Fort, AL USA

- Port Captain, Marine business consultant serving vessel owners, charterers, underwriters, P&I clubs, marine contractors and small business owners.
- Assigned at various companies as Port Captain including but not limited to: Steigler Shipping, Scanworld, Dan-Gulf, Daewoo Engineering and Lysander Shipping.
- Participated in maritime litigation cases as an expert witness with subject matter ranging from cargo, hull and personal injury cases, including cases involving mooring of vessels.
- Hull and Cargo Surveys
- On behalf of Panama Bureau of Shipping, surveyed vessels afloat and in dry-dock, i.e. load line, safety, construction and accommodation surveys.
- Transportation manager, installation manager and tow master in charge of transport of a gas gathering plant on two concrete barges from New Orleans, LA to Port Harcourt in Nigeria. The entire plant was transported on a semi submersible vessel. In the Awoba gas fields the structures were placed on underwater foundations and mooring with minimal tolerance. Supervised securing on board the vessel.
- Ship handling with a variety of vessel propulsion systems. Personnel safety, health and environmental protection supervision.

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- Inspection, marketing, negotiation and sale of boats, vessels, and other marine equipment.
- Selecting and inspecting/surveying suitable vessels for the intended time charter voyage, as well as preparing voyage instructions for the crew, and loading & discharging instructions for stevedores.
- Preparation of voyage and time charter parties
- Booking and negotiation of cargo
- Loading, discharging and securing cargo
- Terminal operations

Navigia Shipping

The Netherlands

2000-2002, Captain/Master Mariner

- Captain on container feeder ships operating from the US East Coast and Florida to Bermuda and the Caribbean Islands.
- M/V Bermuda Islander and M/V Helen T. container vessels equipped with a variable pitch propeller and a Becker rudder system.
- Ship handling maneuvering and mooring in numerous Ports on the US East Coast, Bermuda and Caribbean.
- Supervision of the crew, stevedores and vessel administration, including the ISM and ISPS Trim/Stability calculations. Securing of containers.
- Acting as company representative in meetings with shippers and charters.
- Supervisor over maintenance of the vessel and attendant at the various Classification US Coast Guard inspection.

Steel Magnolia Charters

St. Thomas USVI

1998-2000, Captain/Owner/Surveyor

- Captain/Owner of 62 ft sailing catamaran with accommodation for twelve (12) passengers. In charge of navigation and anchoring between various Caribbean Islands, while entertaining passengers.
- Coached and mentored crew members to ensure vessel was operated in a safe manner, and the safety of the passengers on board a main priority. This included, but was not limited to: navigation, anchoring, docking, safe snorkeling & diving procedures/supervision, vessel equipment and maintenance.
- Performed various marine surveys in the Caribbean and participated/supervised marine salvage operations.

Marine & Management Consultants

Venice, FL

1992-1998, Managing Consultant

Business Consultant involved with start-up business and businesses in need of financial, managerial and operational re-organization involved in the maritime, tourist, entertainment and retirement industries.

- Analyze the financial and organizational structure of companies and recommend and supervise changes
- Prepare business plans and feasibility studies, including ferry services and pleasure boat charter operations.

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- Fund raising and participated in private placements
- Preparing policies and procedures for various companies

Thomas Pipe & Steel
1988-1992, COO/General Manager

Baton Rouge, LA

Nationwide operating importer and distributor of structural steel and pipe serving the Offshore Oil & Gas industry, as well as other steel fabricators.

- Increased revenues from \$15M to \$25M, together with an eight (8%) percent increase in net profits.
- Sales, inventory and purchasing management
- Made customer satisfaction a priority
- Supervised claims prevention, management and safety.

NauTech Marine Surveyors & Consultants
1977-1988, Owner/President/Senior Surveyor/Expert Witness

New Orleans, LA

Marine Survey and Consulting company with offices on the East, West and Gulf Coasts of the USA and the Caribbean, conducting hull, cargo and personal injury claims on behalf of owners, operators, underwriters, P&I clubs, financial institutions and other marine related entities.

- Non-exclusive surveyors for Bureau Veritas, Lloyds Register and Panama Bureau of Shipping.
- Port Captain for a number of foreign shipping companies involving heavy lifts project cargos, grain, and others.
- Supervised a number of salvage operations including refloating, lightering, towing of vessels, and oil & chemical spill clean ups.
- Preventative surveys, damage surveys, safety inspections, evaluation/appraisals, groundings/re-floating, marine structures, collisions, cargo surveys, bunker quantity surveys, on/off hire surveys and other marine related surveys.
- Built solid relationships with clients in the USA, Europe and Asia through effective marketing.
- In charge of personnel management, including evaluation and hiring of Captains and Chief Engineers.
- Handled all negotiations and preparations of vessel maintenance and cleaning contracts.
- Maritime litigation support and Expert Witness duties.

National Cargo Bureau
1975 – 1977, Marine Surveyor

New Orleans, LA

- Conducted all types of marine surveys, including but not limited to supervisions of securing and lashing of heavy lift and project cargos.
- Participated in review/amending the “NCB Stability Course”

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International Shipping Companies

Various Locations Worldwide

1965-1975, Captain/Deck Officer/Port Captain

- Served on general cargo/container vessels, bulk carriers and cargo vessels with accommodations for passengers.
- All duties performed in shipping, vessel and cargo handling, securing salvage and recovery operations.
- Port Captain/Captain – Uiterwijk Shipping, Kahn Heavy Lift Shipping and Redwijs
- Deck Officer – VanOmmeren

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Education: B.S. Degree in Marine Transportation Merchant Marine Academy, Amsterdam
Master Mariner, Unlimited Royal Nautical College, Rotterdam
Master of Business Administration Tulane University, New Orleans, LA
Doctoral Studies International Business NOVA University, Fort Lauderdale, FL

Additional Education:

Oil/Chemical Spill Control Course Corpus Christi, TX
Maritime Insurance Seminar London, England
Workshop Dry & Liquid Cargo Claims and Shortages London, England
ABC's of Import/Export Business New Orleans, LA
National Aviation College Rotterdam, The Netherlands
Inland Waterway Seminar St. Louis, MO
OSHA Hazardous Commodity Standard Birmingham, AL
PADI divers certification
ISM auditor/lead auditor course Main Maritime Academy
ISPS code course for Shipboard & Port Facility Security
Courses required for STCW, including advance firefighting
STS (ship to ship mooring) simulator course Covington, La

Expert Witness:

1980 – M/V Balsa II – New Orleans Federal Court – Chaffe McCall – Stowage of break bulk cargos and discharge operations, including bundled cargos.
1980 - New Build Vessels – London, Arbitration – Lord Underwood – Stability of sea-going vessels including heeling moments due to shifting (grain) cargo
1982 – Bulk carrier – Mobile Federal Court – Hand Arrendall – Carriage and Stowage of cargos susceptible to heating (spontaneous combustion) such as high sulfur, high moisture coal.
1984 – Nineteen Bulk carriers – Deposition – Jones Walker – Shortage claims of bulk cargos in regards to draft surveys, spillage and moisture contents
1985 – Recreational speed boat – David Band, Esq – New Orleans Court – boating, marinas and break waters
1987 – Explosion of a container, with severe damage to hatchcover and other containers RE: M/V Brussel, Chaffe McCall, New Orleans, LA
1988 – M/V Federal Huron – New Orleans Federal Court – Chaffe McCall – Damage to steel cargos due to heavy weather and loss of water tight integrity of hatch covers
2002 – Accident involving a speedboat, the wave action and a floating dock
Expert report, Gainesville, FL
2003 – M/V Ionnis M, Deposition, accident involving a floating crane barge and longshoreman due to improper mooring. Terriberry, Yancy Carroll, New Orleans, LA
2007 – Mesothelioma litigation, deposition involving the loading and discharge of asbestos and products containing asbestos in New Orleans during the time period from 1970 to 1980.

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2011- Small crew boat handling in waves/personal injury – Rabalais Law firm