

RUSS SALZMAN SEA LEVEL SOLUTIONS LLC

Marine Industry Professional: Captain, Coach, Advocate

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United States Coast Guard Licensed Master

Merchant Marine Credential #689145; Expires March 2028; Continuous since 1985
Master - 100 Ton Near Coastal, Great Lakes and Inland
Sail Auxiliary Endorsement, Ordinary Seaman, STCW January 2019

Overview Highlights

Passioned lifetime yachtsman, coach, and leader in business and the maritime industry.

Private Yacht Captain-for-Hire -Instruction and captain services 2015-present
REGINA, Sunseeker 88, 6 months 2022-2023 East Coast, Nassau, Exuma Islands
TUTTOAPOSTA, Sunseeker 74, 3 seasons 2021-2023 Lake Michigan
REFLECTION, Sirena 58, 2 seasons 2022-2023, Lake Michigan
BASE CAMP, Tiara 49; JUST ONE MORE, Princess 49; JENNIFER, Prestige 590; NOT GULFING,
Lagoon 45', Gulf Coast, FL; Others including: Prestige 630, 550, 520, 500, 420 - (2019-2020)

Yacht Charter Management - Florida

Launched an active charter business conducting day and term charters in South Florida and Bimini.
THE GOOD LIFE – Prestige 750 75' - Miami, FL; Winter 2021 **6 months, 80 charter days**
JENNIFER/GYPSY SOUL – Prestige 550/450; Winter 2022; Marco Island, FL **6 months, 60 charter days**

Charter Captain – Lake Michigan

GYPSY SOUL, Prestige 450; 78 private Bareboat Charters (2019- 2020)
Other Charters: Sea Ray 54, Sea Ray 440, Sea Ray 380, Cruisers Cantius 41, Sea Ray 320,

Lead Instructor, Pinnacle Yachts - 2016-2021

Supervising 18 USCG Captains training 200 new customers a year through a shared lease program of 37 sail and power boats ranging for 37' to 45' on Lake Michigan Southern Sector
100 Days of Instruction; 37'-45' sail and 37'ft – 51' Sea Ray Powerboats

Yacht Delivery Captain

Sunseeker 88 YACHT – REGINA, Fort Lauderdale to Newport, RI, 1180 miles, 2023 **8 Days**
Prestige 550 - JENNIFER, Inland Rivers, Chicago to Marco Island, FL, 1900 Miles, 2021, **16 Days.**
Prestige 750 - THE GOOD LIFE, Atlantic Seaboard, Brielle, NJ to Aventura, FL, 1150 miles, 2020, **10 days**
Prestige 450 - GYPSY SOUL, Inland Rivers, Chicago to Ft Myers, FL, 1960 Miles, 2018, **20 Days.**
Bimini to Fort Lauderdale, January 2019
Beneteau 523 - FIRST LOVE, Newport, RI to Ft. Pierce FL, 2019 **8 days**, 1160 miles
Florida to Exuma, Bahamas, 2020, **25 days**, 750 miles
Jeanneau 47 - NO BAD DAYS, Tortola, Harbor Island, Eleuthera, Palm Beach FL, 2019, **8 Days** 1060 miles
Springbrook Marina Delivery Captain, Seneca, IL. 80 Mile Des Plaines and Illinois Rivers and Lake Michigan 4 locks 2018-2021; **20+ Trips** - Prestige 420, 450, 500, 550, 590. 630; Grand Banks 42 and 46
Chicago to Holland, MI. 80 miles across Lake Michigan **10 Days** Sea Ray **540**, Princess **49**
15 years + Mackinac Race Deliveries, Lk. Michigan, **100 + Days** 350-mile deliveries (36', 41' 43' sailboats)

Captain of Record 2019-2020 FIRST LOVE, 2007 Beneteau 523 52'

Responsible for yacht management and on-water operations. Beneteau 523 Delivery Captain
Deliveries 8 Days Newport, RI to Ft Pierce, FL; 20 Days Ft Pierce, FL to Exuma, Bahamas to Ft. Lauderdale

Training and Certifications

Maritime Professional Training School, Ft. Lauderdale, FL, 2019

STCW Basic Training Certification – Personal Survival, Personal Safety and Social Responsibility,
First Aid and CPR, Basic Firefighting, Vessel Personnel with Designated Security Duties

FCC Marine Radio Operator's License #0028-2777-05 issued 3/2019

US Sailing: Basic Keelboat Certification, 2018; Safety at Sea Certificate Course-2010 renewed 2017

CPR/AED Certified 2013 renewed 2019

North U Fast Course and North U Tactics Course

Sailing Experience Highlights

Captain-for-hire, Chicago, Ft Lauderdale, 2015 - Present

Race to Mackinac, Lake Michigan, 331 mi (36' – 47') - 36 years

Pinnacle Yachts, Lead Instructor/Charter Captain/Beer Can Race Series Coordinator - 37'-45', 2015-2021

Private Charter Captain, Moorings BVI 2017 & 2019; Windward Islands 2018

Key West Race Week Coach (Flying Tiger 7.5) 2017

Ft Lauderdale, FL to Key West Race/Delivery - 9 years; most recent Jan 2020, Hunter 42

Bayview Mac Race Lake Huron, 259 miles - 5 years

Columbia Yacht Club, Certified Pin Boat Captain, Chris Craft 33

Chicago Area III Racing, Buoy and Distance Regattas Lake Michigan - 3 decades

Bareboat Charters – Abaco, Bahamas, BVIs, Windward Islands, San Diego, Key West, Lake Winnebago

Race Committee, St Thomas International Regatta 2017

Crew, Alden 49 Ketch, Lake Michigan 1984-86

Mate, Florida Keys to Dry Tortugas - 2 weeks 70 ft. Schooner 1988

Founding Director, Steve Fawcett Sailing Base - Owasippe Scout Reservation 1970-71 (16 years old)

Power Experience Highlights

Captain-for-hire, Chicago, 2015 - Present

Private, Bareboat, Inspected and Uninspected captain including Sunseeker 88, 74; Prestige 750, 680, 590, 450

Multiple Deliveries, Chicago to Seneca, IL via Cal-sag Canal, Des Plaines, and Illinois River, 80 mile trips

Approved Operator, Columbia Yacht Club's Race Committee Boat, 31' Chris Craft Commander

Chicago Park District Tender operator 1991

Affiliations and Memberships

Director, Chicago Harbor Safety Committee; Recreational Boating Sector Chair; ColYC Representative

International Shipmasters Association, Board Member since 2017

Island Goat Sailing Society- inducted 2010

Columbia Yacht Club – joined 1998

Board Chairman, SHIP 5111 Foundation, 501(c)3 org holding assets (Beneteau 42) for Sea Scout program.

US Sailing, since 2004

Education

Bachelor of Business - Western Illinois University

Business

Principal – Sea Level Solutions LLC founded 2017

Consultant/Executive Director, Illinois Sign Association

Consultant, Trade Association Strategic Planning

Creator, “**On...Deck...My Ship in Leadership, A Leadership Experience “ On Water, Off-Line, Hands On”**”

Faculty - US Chamber of Commerce Institute for Organization Development

Expertise in Leadership, Self-Development, Strategic Planning, Finance

CEO - Institute of Real Estate Management 2004-2016

President and CEO - The Magnificent Mile Association 1990-2004

Scouting Executive – Boy Scouts of America 1977-1990

Member: American Society of Association Executives holding the Certified Association Executive (CAE)

Member: Association Forum of Chicagoland

Personal

Eagle Scout; Wood Badge and Sea Badge Leadership Training

Singer/Guitarist - Montgomery Street Band 1995-2009

Motorcyclist-2003 Harley Davidson Ultra Classic

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Merchant Marine Credential and Drug Consortium Enrollment



**THE CHICAGO MARITIME
GROUP, INC.**

Expiration Date: March 30, 2023

This membership card certifies the person whose name appears below is enrolled in a random drug program meeting the requirements of US Coast Guard and DOT regulations until the date of expiration.

Russell Salzman #190338

Independent Captain

Keep this card with you at all times– Verification -773-454-9004
