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## Professional Resume / Work Experience

### Career Summary

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Professional, accredited marine surveyor with thirty years experience in the marine industry including new-build construction, repair/refit, new vessel commissioning. More than fifteen years experience as a full-time marine surveyor and adjuster.

Experienced in attending marine losses for various domestic and foreign based underwriters, to include all phases of surveying, claim investigation, and adjustment aspects in the USA, Caribbean Basin, Central & South America. Marine loss assignments include a broad and diverse spectrum of vessels including those in the larger "mega-yacht" category, power and sail.

### Work Experience

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1995-Current	Southern Yacht Surveyors <i>Attending Surveyor/Owner &amp; Principal Surveyor</i>	Panama City, FL
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	MYS <i>Owner</i>	Panama City, FL
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- Claim assignments and Liability claims for Southern Yacht Surveyors, on behalf of US and London underwriters, in the United States, Central and South America, and Caribbean Basin.
- Court/Testimony: Various depositions relating to work product & expert testimony. Consulting.
- Pre Purchase / Condition and Value surveys.
- Electrolytic and stray current corrosion surveys (vessel and marina).

1992-1995	Mills Yacht Service <i>Owner</i>	USA and Caribbean Basin
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- Yacht repair and restoration. Mechanical, electrical, plumbing, re-power, rigging and painting; USA and Caribbean Basin. Connally Yacht Service, Fajardo, Puerto Rico.
- Vessel Delivery.

1991-1992	Bennett Brothers Yachts	Wilmington, NC
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- New vessel construction. Projects included custom 49 foot Sparkman and Stephens design sailing vessel and 42 foot Chris White design Catamaran.
- Boat Yard operations and service.
- Restoration of other vessels and maintenance / repair for absentee owners.

1981-1990

Sailors Wharf Yacht Yard  
*Estimator / Yard Foreman*

St. Petersburg, FL

- Day to day operation of Boat Yard and service marina.
- Estimate repair / reconstruction projects.
- New vessel commissioning (several dealers on-site).
- Repair of wood, fiberglass, steel and aluminum vessels to 80 feet.
- Application of polyurethane and other paint systems.
- Installation and repair of mechanical, electrical, and plumbing systems and re-power.
- Yacht carpentry.
- New vessel construction.

### *Education*

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Seminars concerning Marine Survey and related matters (IBEX, ABYC and others). Attended Marine Surveying For Professionals course with Paul Coble in 1995.

ABYC certified Electrical Marine Technician. Completed ABYC Standards Accreditation Course. Various seminars concerning Marina and Boatyard operations, management, and Standards compliance (IBEX and ABYC). Attended Knox Marine & First Marine claim seminars. Various CE credits obtained relating to All-lines adjuster status in Florida. Member IAMI. Various IAMI conferences and seminars. Corrosion and electrical seminars and commentary on development of new ABYC Boat Yard and other standards.

Marine Diesel Mechanics course and field courses in AwlGrip polyurethane paint application and troubleshooting. Miscellaneous courses in welding and related matters.

1981	University of Maryland	College Park, MD
1980	Graduated Fairfax High School	Fairfax, VA

### *Organizations and Other Interests*

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Accredited Marine Surveyor with the Society of Accredited Marine Surveyors (#510). Member American Boat and Yacht Council. Licensed Insurance Adjuster in Florida and Alabama. ABYC certified Electrical Marine Technician. Member IAMI.

Boating Experience: CG license (Master with Aux. Sail # 764402). Vessel delivery assignments since 1985, in the US and Caribbean. Extensively cruised the Caribbean and US East Coast in our 35' Pearson, from 1990 to 1995.