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SUMMARY:

Ed started his business in 1983 as an independent marine surveyor in the emerging marine industry on Long Island. Over the years, the company grew from a sole proprietorship to form associations & partnerships that encompassed up to 3 full time surveyors and clerical staff which serviced accounts throughout the East Coast mostly in the Greater New York/New England region.

During his 25 year career, Ed has inspected over 7,500 boats, yachts and commercial vessels for all aspects within the marine industry.

- ◆ He continues a “hands on” approach to the surveying business in helping all clients through *Coastal Marine Surveys*.

AREAS OF ACCOMPLISHMENT/ACCREDITATION:

- ◆ One of a few surveyors nationwide with dual Certification (CMS) and Accreditation (AMS) with both The National Association of Marine Surveyors (NAMS) and The Society of Accredited Marine Surveyors (SAMS).
- ◆ USCG “Master, Near Coastal” license (3rd issue).
- ◆ Presently serving on the ethics committee of SAMS.
- ◆ Published in various marine publications on topics within the marine field.

EDUCATION/TRAINING:

- ◆ Graduate Fairfield University (1971) with BA in Political Science.
- ◆ Continued training in regional & national seminars most recently at the 3 day SAMS National in Portland, Maine and “Electrical Inspection” training by David Rifkin on Long Island.

BACKGROUND:

- ◆ 1971. Graduation, Fairfield University.
- ◆ 1971-1983. Involved in various aspects as Captain (delivery) and crew (maintenance) aboard yachts between Florida & New York. Sailed own yacht over 3,000 miles from Florida, through the Bahamas & to New York. Formed own business as “Sound Shipwrights”, a company involved in the rebuilding, repair and restoration of wooden vessels.

- ◆ 1983. Started business as a Marine Surveyor specializing in Yachts & Small Craft. From 1983 until 2006 served in many areas within the Marine Surveying industry with pre-purchase inspections from 19 to 125 feet, marine inspections for insurance companies & financial institutions, as well as claims investigations. During this time was also involved with inspections of commercial vessels including Tugs & Barges, Ferries and Marine Facilities including Marinas and Wharfs. Has also been used as an “Expert Witness” in assorted conflicts within the field.
- ◆ 1989. Received “Certified” designation with NAMS.
- ◆ 1999. Received “Accredited” designation with SAMS.
- ◆ 2006. Transferred ownership of Company to Kinsey Marine LLC.