

In the Matter of Merchant Mariner's Document No. z-707737 and all
Other Seaman Documents
Issued to: RUSSELL W. SCHUMACHER

DECISION OF THE COMMANDANT
UNITED STATES COAST GUARD

1273

RUSSELL W. SCHUMACHER

This appeal has been taken in accordance with Title 46 United States Code 239(g) and Title 46 Code of Federal Regulations 137.11-1.

By order dated 12 May 1961, an Examiner of the United States Coast Guard at Portland, Oregon revoked Appellant's seaman documents upon finding him guilty of misconduct. The specification found proved alleges that while serving as a wiper on board the United States SS OCEAN ALICE under authority of the document above described, on 3 March 1961, Appellant Wrongfully had marijuana in his possession.

At the hearing, Appellant was represented by counsel. A plea of not guilty to the charge and specifications was entered by counsel.

The Investigating Officer introduced evidence to show that during the Master's search of the ship for marijuana while at sea, Appellant surrendered a bottle containing marijuana.

The evidence in defense and the brief on appeal raise two

not inconsistent with this decision.

A. C. Richmond
Admiral, United States Coast Guard
Commandant

Dated at Washington, D. C., this 24th day of November 1961.

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