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I am seeking employment as an experienced deck and rigging specialist for offshore vessel, offshore platform and beach operations, both foreign and domestic. I am based in south Louisiana and can be ready to ship out within twenty four hours if not already working or under contract. Contract, part time and on call work is preferred. If the project requires it I have other professional contacts in the industry that are available upon request.

- Knowledge of operation and maintenance of shipboard equipment, research instruments and support systems.
- Mechanical skills and aptitude skills in the use of hand and power tools as well as good written and verbal skills.
- Working experience with synthetic lines, wire rope, cranes, winches, blocks, capstans, tuggers lift bags and dredges.
- Advanced line handling, splicing, knots as well as proper working of cleats, bits and fairleads.
- The ability to plan projects, assign priorities, resolve problems and to work with out supervision.
- Comfortable working overseas and in third world countries.

I have a high level of experience in the following.

- Deployment and recovery of deep water moorings.
- Piston core, vibracore, casten core, box core, multicore
- Setting and recovering trawls
- Small boat operations
- Dive operations
- Seafloor and platform mounted A.D.C.P.'s
- Plankton net tows
- Anchor handling, placement and recovering
- General deck safety

Work History

- Denholm Offshore (U.K.) - 09/08-current
Rigger, deck, machine and hydraulics operator and beach crew for Fiber optic cable landing and shore ends
- Fugro G.E.O.S. -03/08-current
Offshore technician- deploying and recovering deep water current and data moorings. Deploying, recovering and downloading data from surface and seafloor mounted A.D.C.P.'s for deep semi-sub Platforms.
- R/V Pelican 04/03-current
- Relief mate and deck boss- Operating the vessel safely. Running the deck and all machinery safely and efficiently including articulating crane, oceanographic winches, "A" and "J"-frames, tuggers, cat heads and the anchor windlass.
- The regular operations include: Setting and recovering trawls, C.T.D. cast, piston, box and casting cores Plankton net tows, recovering and deploying deep water moorings, dive operations, small boat operations and general deck safety.
- M/V Ocean Star -12/05-12/06

86' Treasure recovery vessel- Operating vessel and deck during research, survey and recovery of treasure from the ocean floor.

Operating large equipment including cranes, lift bags, air lifts, small boats and dredges
- George R. Hughes Carpentry -01/99
Furniture grade carpentry- design, layout and build high end and large scale carpentry and wood working projects.

Military History

- United States Marine Corps- 01/95-01/99
Forward Observer (Infantry)- deploying in direct fires with precise accuracy. Training seven junior observers and responsible for fire control and range safety.

Training and certifications

Basic first aid, Basic and advanced firefighting, P.A.D.I. open water diver, Vessel operator certificate, Rigging safety, personal survival and survival suit/ survival craft course, Helicopter safety and egress training(S.W.E.T./H.U.E.T.), S.T.C.W. 95', Gulf safety, T.W.I.C.

References available upon request.