



Captain Kevin R. Pope

USCG 100-Ton Master Captain | ASA Certified Instructor | Naval Special Warfare
Master Chief (Ret.)

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Professional Summary

An accomplished Maritime Expert and U.S. Navy SEAL Master Chief (Ret.) with over 25 years of global experience in maritime operations, training, and leadership. Proven expertise in vessel delivery, instruction, and safety management across multiple ocean regions. A decorated veteran recognized for exceptional leadership, operational excellence, and commitment to maritime education and safety. Founder and President of SINBAD Captain Services, providing trusted professional captains for yacht deliveries, sailing instruction, and vessel management.

Core Competencies

Maritime Education & Training, Sailing & Powerboat Operations, Route Planning & Navigation, Safety at Sea & Emergency Procedures, Crew Development & Leadership, Conflict Resolution & Team Building, Service Quality & Operational Excellence, Global Vessel Delivery & Passage Making

Professional Experience

- President & CEO | SINBAD Captain Services (2023 – Present)

Lead a veteran-owned maritime company providing professional captain and delivery services worldwide. Deliver crewed and solo yacht relocations, sea trials, and operational support. Provide advanced sailing instruction including docking, anchoring, safety at sea, and coastal navigation. Develop and implement service standards emphasizing safety, reliability, and professionalism. Oversee captain credential verification, client scheduling, and route logistics.

- Senior Vice President of Operations & Service Quality | Brigade Energy Services (2018 – 2023)

Directed national oilfield operations and service quality across multiple business units. Built a national well-service company through strategic mergers and acquisitions. Established training, safety, and performance standards for over 1,000

field employees. Led operational excellence initiatives ensuring client satisfaction and regulatory compliance.

- Naval Special Warfare Master Chief & Maritime Operations Instructor | U.S. Navy SEALs (1989 – 2014)

Served over 25 years in elite Naval Special Warfare and Joint Special Operations Forces. Developed and instructed maritime operations curriculum for SEALs and partner forces. Managed advanced maritime training, including survival, navigation, and small-craft tactics. Executed and led 11 combat deployments across multiple theaters. Served as Master Training Specialist and curriculum manager for advanced operational courses. Mentored hundreds of SEAL operators in leadership, mission planning, and risk management.

Certifications & Credentials

- USCG 100-Ton Master Captain License – with Sail Endorsement
- American Sailing Association (ASA) Instructor – Keelboat, Docking, Advanced Coastal, Bareboat, Catamaran
- U.S. Navy Master Training Specialist
- Naval Senior Enlisted Academy Graduate

Education

- Bachelor of Science, Liberal Arts and Sciences – Excelsior College
- Associate of Arts, General Studies – Fayetteville Technical College

Decorations & Honors

- Bronze Star with Valor (Iraq & Afghanistan)
- Purple Heart
- Presidential Unit Citation
- Joint Commendation Medal

Maritime Experience

Transited the Atlantic Ocean, Mediterranean Sea, Caribbean Sea, Gulf of Mexico, and Alaska. Extensive hands-on experience in navigation, passage planning, safety management, and seamanship.

Professional Associations

- American Sailing Association (Instructor)
- U.S. Coast Guard Licensed Mariner
- Founder, SINBAD Maritime Services