

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF FLORIDA

IN ADMIRALTY
CASE NO.: 0:26-cv-60289-WPD

SEACOAST NATIONAL BANK,

Plaintiff,

vs.

M/V SLOW UR ROLL II, a 2008 Everglades 350LX
Express, Official No. 1220768, HIN: RJDE0005I708,
Together with all masts, boilers, cables, engines,
machinery, etc., *in rem*, and STARBOARD YACHT
GROUP LLC, a Florida limited liability company, *in
personam*,

Defendants.

**ORDER STRIKING/DENYING CHARLES JACOB STRATMANN'S VERIFIED
CLAIM FOR SEAMAN'S WAGES AND MOTION TO VACATE DEFAULT
JUDGMENT**

This cause is before the Court on Charles Jacob Stratmann's Verified Claim for Seaman's Wages and Motion to Vacate Default Judgment [DE 72], filed herein on June 5, 2026. The Court has reviewed the Verified Claim and Motion [DE 72] and the Response, [DE 73] filed herein on June 22, 2026, and is otherwise fully advised in the premises.

Accordingly, it is **ORDERED AND ADJUDGED** that the Verified Claim is **STRICKEN** and the Motion [DE 72] is **DENIED**. The Court agrees with Seacoast National Bank that the claim is untimely under Supplemental Rule C(6) and Local Admiralty Rule C(6), and that as a matter of law, Stratmann is not entitled to seaman's wages because he is the sole member and manager of Starboard Yacht Group, LLC, which is the owner of the Vessel, and therefore he is not a "stranger to the vessel." *Sasportes v. M/V Sol de Copacabana*, 581 F.2d 1204, 1208 (5th Cir. 1978).

Moreover, although this Court has little tolerance for the hallucinated case citations that Seacoast points out in Stratmann's filing, the Court declines to impose sanctions at this juncture and instead denies / strikes the motion / claim on the merits.

DONE AND ORDERED in Chambers at Fort Lauderdale, Florida, this 23rd day of June, 2026.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "William P. Dimitrouleas", written over a horizontal line.

WILLIAM P. DIMITROULEAS

United States District Judge

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