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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

January 2020 Grand Jury

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Plaintiff,

v.

JERRY NEHL BOYLAN,

Defendant.

CR 2:20-cr-00600-GW

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[18 U.S.C. § 1115: Seaman's
Manslaughter]

The Grand Jury charges:

INTRODUCTORY ALLEGATIONS

At times relevant to this Indictment:

1. The passenger vessel ("P/V") *Conception* was a 75-foot, wood and fiberglass passenger vessel based out of Santa Barbara, California.

2. Defendant JERRY NEHL BOYLAN was the Captain and Master of the *P/V Conception* and, as such, was responsible for the safety and security of the vessel, its crew, and its passengers.

1 3. In the early morning hours of September 2, 2019, a fire
2 broke out aboard the *P/V Conception*, claiming the lives of one
3 crewmember and all 33 passengers onboard.

4 4. These Introductory Allegations are incorporated into each
5 count of this Indictment.

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COUNTS ONE THROUGH THIRTY-FOUR

[18 U.S.C. § 1115]

On or about September 2, 2019, in Santa Barbara County, within the Central District of California, defendant JERRY NEHL BOYLAN, the Captain and Master employed on the *P/V Conception*, by his misconduct, negligence, and inattention to his duties on said vessel, including failing to have a night watch or roving patrol as required by 46 C.F.R. § 185.410 and the vessel's United States Coast Guard Certificate of Inspection, failing to conduct sufficient fire drills as required by 46 C.F.R. § 185.524, and failing to conduct sufficient crew training as required by 46 C.F.R. § 185.420, caused the deaths of the following individuals:

| <u>COUNT</u> | <u>VICTIM</u> |
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| ONE | C.D.A. |
| TWO | S.J.S. |
| THREE | T.N.A.S. |
| FOUR | B.F. |
| FIVE | J.-P.A. |
| SIX | N.G.B. |
| SEVEN | P.A.B. |
| EIGHT | V.D.C. |
| NINE | K.M.C. |
| TEN | R.S.C. |
| ELEVEN | S.S.D. |

| <u>COUNT</u> | <u>VICTIM</u> |
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| TWELVE | J.C.D. |
| THIRTEEN | L.A.F. |
| FOURTEEN | K.O.F. |
| FIFTEEN | A.A.F. |
| SIXTEEN | A.D.D.-F. |
| SEVENTEEN | D.G. |
| EIGHTEEN | Y.K. |
| NINETEEN | Y.H. |
| TWENTY | A.H.K. |
| TWENTY-ONE | X.L. |
| TWENTY-TWO | C.S.M. |
| TWENTY-THREE | K.M.T. |
| TWENTY-FOUR | C.A.M. |
| TWENTY-FIVE | M.G. |
| TWENTY-SIX | K.N. |
| TWENTY-SEVEN | E.S.Q. |
| TWENTY-EIGHT | A.R.S.Q. |
| TWENTY-NINE | M.S.Q. |
| THIRTY | N.S.S.Q. |

