

UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS  
For the Fifth Circuit

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No. 92-5191  
Summary Calendar

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EDGEL D. LEWIS,

Plaintiff-Appellant,

VERSUS

OIL & GAS RENTAL SERVICES,  
ET AL.,

Defendants-Appellees.

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Appeal from the United States District Court  
For the Western District of Louisiana  
(89 CV 1641)

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July 7, 1993

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Before HIGGINBOTHAM, SMITH, and DeMOSS, Circuit Judges.

PER CURIAM:\*

Lewis, a cook and crew member of the motor vessel M/V Rosalie G, owned and operated by Oil and Gas Rental Services, Inc., alleges that he sustained injuries on June 26, 1988, when he was transferring groceries from the motor vessel M/V Harte Beast, owned and operated by Petrol Marine Company to the M/V Rosalie G. He

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\*Local Rule 47.5 provides: "The publication of opinions that have no precedential value and merely decide particular cases on the basis of well-settled principles of law imposes needless expense on the public and burdens on the legal profession." Pursuant to that Rule, the Court has determined that this opinion should not be published.

sued both his employer, Oil and Gas Rental Services, Inc. and Petrol Marine Company, but prior to trial settled with Oil and Gas Rental Services, Inc. and proceeded under the general maritime law for the negligence of Petrol Marine as owner and operator of the M/V Harte Beest. The parties went to trial without a jury, and based on extensive findings of fact and conclusions of law, the trial court entered a judgment in favor of defendant, Petrol Marine Company.

We have carefully reviewed the briefs, record excerpts, and pertinent portions of the record, and have concluded that the findings of fact by the trial court are not clearly erroneous and that its judgment should be affirmed.

Accordingly, we affirm the judgement of the trial court.