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**In the United States District Court for the
Western District of Wisconsin**

Ryan Thomas Bechard,

Libellant & Appellant;

vs.

UNITED STATES, in rem;

via **U.S. Attorney General**, in personam;

Secretary of the Treasury, in personam;

Comptroller of the Currency, in personam;

FEDERAL DEPOSIT INS. CORP., in rem;

RYAN THOMAS BECHARD, in rem;

KATHLEEN LYNN GEHRKE, in rem;

SERENA ANNE BECHARD, in rem;

LUCAS GORDON BECHARD, in rem;

GORDON LEROY BECHARD, in rem;

ARTHUR RAYMOND BECHARD, in rem;

LORRAINE ARLENE BECHARD, in rem;

LESTER CARL SCHLEUSNER, in rem;

Defendants.

**NOTICE OF APPEAL TO THE
UNITED STATES COURT OF
APPEALS FOR THE
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
CIRCUIT**

no.: **21-cv-00811-jdp**
Prize Court in Admiralty

Judge: Hon. James D. Peterson

**To the Honorable Clerk Peter Oppeneer;
Libellant respectfully shows to the Court:**

1. I, Ryan Thomas Bechard; Libellant; now as Appellant; am herewith appealing the Judgment issued and entered on 7 January 2022; doc. #3 and Order #5 of the case captioned above to the United States Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit; "USCA-DC".

2. USCA-DC has exclusive jurisdiction over my claims arising under "public contracts" which are maritime in nature pursuant to The Shipping Act 1916 and Jones Act 1920. See 41 USC § 1327(b)(3).

3. As a Federal "Agency"; also "United States" as an instrumentality thereof; see Exhibit 1 of the Libel of this case; I am exempt from fees and costs. See

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PRAYER FOR DUE PROCESS

For the Honorable Clerk of Court; or deputy thereof; to take all actions pursuant to USCA-DC's rules.

Ryan Thomas Bechard Ryan Thomas Bechard; 7 January 2022