



Claim No. AD-2025-000065

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE
BUSINESS AND PROPERTY COURTS OF ENGLAND AND WALES
KING’S BENCH DIVISION
ADMIRALTY COURT

AD-2025-000065

The Hon. Mr Justice Andrew Baker (in public)

27 February 2026

B E T W E E N:

MARINA DEVELOPMENTS LIMITED

Claimant

-and-

THE OWNER/S OF THE M/Y “DURANDO”

Defendant

ORDER

UPON the Claimant’s contempt application dated 11 December 2025 (the “Application”) for an order for the committal of Mr Luke Lane (“Mr Lane”) for contempt of court, namely his removal of the M/Y “DURANDO” (“the Vessel”) from the Claimant’s marina (the “Marina”) while the Vessel was under arrest

AND UPON considering the First Affidavit of Elliot Bishop dated 11 December 2025 and Exhibit EB1 to that Affidavit, the Second Affidavit of Mr Bishop dated 16 February 2026, the Affidavit of John Osborne dated 17 February 2026 and Exhibits JO1 to JO4 to that Affidavit, the Witness Stated of Matthew McLaren (a process server) dated 15 January 2026, and the First Witness Statement of Mr Bishop dated 26 February 2026 and Exhibit EB2 to that statement, being an email from Mr Lane of that date admitting that he removed the Vessel whilst it was under arrest

AND UPON hearing Counsel for the Claimant (Mr Tom Hall), Mr Lane being unrepresented and having not appeared, and the court having determined that Mr Lane had waived his right to be present and that it was appropriate to proceed in his absence

AND UPON the Court being sure on the evidence that Mr Lane is guilty of contempt of court in the manner stated in the Court's judgment referred to below, by removing the Vessel from the Marina

IT IS HEREBY FINALLY ADJUDGED AND DECLARED THAT:

1. Mr Lane is guilty of contempt of court by removing the Vessel from the Marina while the Vessel was under the arrest of the Court.

AND IT IS ORDERED AND DIRECTED THAT:

2. A sentencing hearing will take place before the Admiralty Judge on Friday 20 March 2026, at 12.30 pm, with a time estimate of 2 hours, at the Royal Courts of Justice, Strand, London W2CA 2LL, and Mr Lane must attend the hearing in person. If Mr Lane fails to attend, the Court may proceed to sentence him in his absence and issue a warrant for his arrest.
3. Unless Mr Lane confirms that he will attend the sentencing hearing referred to in paragraph 2 above by 4.30 pm on Friday 13 March 2026, or if Mr Lane at any time states that he will not or may not attend that hearing, the Court is likely to issue a warrant to secure his attendance, pursuant to CPR 81.7(2).
4. Mr Lane has a right to appeal against this Order without permission, to the Court of Appeal (Civil Division). Any Appellant's Notice must be filed at the Court of Appeal no later than 21 days from the date of this Order. Mr Lane shall serve a copy of any such Notice on the Claimant's solicitors within the same period.

5. A transcript of the judgment shall be provided by the Court as soon as it is available and approved by the Judge, and a copy shall be emailed to Mr Lane by the Claimant's solicitors. A copy will be published on the website of the Judiciary of England and Wales.
6. Mr Lane shall pay the Claimant's costs of and occasioned by the Application to date, summarily assessed on the indemnity basis at £6,845, by Friday 13 March 2026.
7. The Claimant's solicitors shall have permission to serve a copy of this Order by email to Mr Lane at laneluke624@gmail.com. When serving this Order by email, the Claimant's solicitors shall remind Mr Lane of his right to be legally represented, and of the availability of legal aid, for the sentencing hearing.