



Rear Admiral Thomas J. Anderson

Program Executive Officer for Ships



Rear Adm. Anderson is a native of North Brunswick, New Jersey. He was commissioned in 1991 through the Naval Reserve Officer Training Corps (NROTC) Program at Boston University where he received a Bachelor of Science in Mechanical Engineering.

Anderson's tours as a surface warfare officer included USS Capodanno (FF 1093) and USS Arleigh Burke (DDG 51), where he coordinated the first two Chief of Naval Operations availabilities of the DDG 51 Class.

Upon selection to the engineering duty community in 1996, he attended the Naval Postgraduate School where he earned a Master of Science in Mechanical Engineering. He also completed the Total Ship Systems Engineering

Curriculum and became a California State Licensed Professional Engineer.

Ashore, he has served in a variety of industrial, fleet, program office and headquarters assignments in ship design and construction, maintenance, budgeting, and requirements. His ashore assignments include: Naval Sea Systems Command executive assistant; Littoral Combat Ship Shipbuilding program manager (PMS 501); Office of the Chief of Naval Operations requirements officer (N86); chief engineer and post-delivery branch head for the DDG 51 Class (PMS 400D); and Commander, Naval Surface Forces, Atlantic, mine warfare type desk officer (N43).

Anderson's first flag assignment was commander, Naval Surface Warfare Center, leading more than 17,000 scientists, engineers, technicians and support personnel, providing research, development, test and evaluation for the future Navy as well as in-service engineering and logistics support for the operational

naval forces. Anderson also served as the Department of Defense executive manager for Military Explosive Ordnance Disposal (EOD) Technology and Training, with oversight responsibilities for joint military EOD systems and training.

Most recently, Anderson served as the commander, Navy Regional Maintenance Center (CNRMC) and Naval Sea Systems Command director, Surface Ship Maintenance and Modernization (SEA 21). He was responsible for managing critical ship modernization and maintenance, training, Foreign Military support contracts, and inactivation programs.

Currently, Anderson serves as program executive officer, Ships, where he is responsible for Navy shipbuilding for surface combatants, amphibious ships, logistics support ships, support craft, and related foreign military sales.