Biography

RADM Jon White, USN, Ret.

Jon White is serving as the President and CEO of the Consortium for Ocean Leadership after coming onboard in September 2015 as the Vice President for Ocean Science and Strategy. Prior to this he had a distinguished 32-year career in the U.S. Navy and retired at the rank of Rear Admiral.

White's passion for the ocean and science began at a very early age as he grew up near Florida's Gulf coast. He earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Oceanographic Technology from the Florida Institute of Technology, and a Master's degree in Meteorology and Oceanography from the U.S. Naval Postgraduate School.



White had numerous operational assignments at sea and ashore as a Naval Meteorology and Oceanography specialist, culminating in his assignment as Oceanographer and Navigator of the Navy from 2012 to 2015. This position included appointments as the Director of Navy's Task Force Climate Change, and Navy Deputy to the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration.