

# Navy Announces New Flag Assignments



Rear Adm. John V. Fuller salutes the sideboys during Carrier Strike Group 1's change-of-command ceremony in 2017. At the time, Fuller relieved Rear Adm. Jim Kilby as commander of CSG-1, but is currently in line to become deputy director for force protection, J-8, Joint Staff, Washington, D.C. U.S. NAVY / Mass Communication Specialist 2nd Class D'Andre L. Roden  
ARLINGTON, Va. – The Navy secretary and chief of naval operations announced on June 13 these flag assignments:

**Rear Adm. Kathleen M. Creighton** will be assigned as director, information warfare integration, N2/N6F, Office of the Chief of Naval Operations, Washington, D.C. Creighton is serving as Navy Cyber Security Division director, Office of the Chief of Naval Operations, Washington, D.C.

**Rear Adm. John V. Fuller** will be assigned as deputy director for force protection, J-8, Joint Staff, Washington, D.C. Fuller is serving as director, J-5, U.S. Northern Command, Peterson Air Force Base, Colorado.

**Rear Adm. James E. Pitts** will be assigned as director, warfare integration, N9I, Office of the Chief of Naval Operations, Washington, D.C. Pitts is serving as commander, Submarine Group 7; commander, Task Force 74; and commander, Task Force 54, Yokosuka, Japan.

**Rear Adm. (lower half) Douglas W. Small**, selected for promotion to rear admiral, will be assigned as commander, Naval Information Warfare Systems Command, San Diego. Small is serving as program executive officer for integrated warfare systems, Washington, D.C.

**Rear Adm. (lower half) William E. Chase III** will be assigned as senior military adviser for cyber policy to the

undersecretary of defense for policy, and deputy principal cyber adviser to the secretary of defense, Washington, D.C. Chase is serving as deputy director, command, control, communications, and computers/cyber, J-6, Joint Staff, Washington, D.C.

**Rear Adm. (lower half) Leonard C. Dollaga** will be assigned as commander, Submarine Group 7; commander, Task Force 74; and commander, Task Force 54, Yokosuka, Japan. Dollaga previously served as commander, Undersea Warfighting Development Center, Groton, Connecticut.

**Rear Adm. (lower half) Thomas M. Henderschedt** is assigned as senior defense official/defense attaché, China. Henderschedt previously served as naval attaché, U.S. Defense Attaché Office, Beijing, China.

**Rear Adm. (lower half) Nicholas M. Homan** will be assigned as director of intelligence, J-2, U.S. Special Operations Command, MacDill Air Force Base, Florida. Homan previously served as deputy, deputy chief of staff, intelligence, Resolute Support; and deputy director, J2, U.S. Forces-Afghanistan, Kabul, Afghanistan.

**Rear Adm. (lower half) Matthew N. Ott III** will be assigned as executive director, operational contract support, Office of the Undersecretary of Defense for Acquisition and Sustainment, Washington, D.C. Ott is serving as special assistant for audit readiness, Office of the Assistant Navy Secretary (Financial Management and Comptroller), Washington, D.C.

**Rear Adm. (lower half) William P. Pennington** will be assigned as commander, Task Force 70; and commander, Carrier Strike Group 5, Yokosuka, Japan. Pennington served as special assistant to the deputy chief of naval operations for operations, plans and strategy, N3/N5, Office of the Chief of Naval Operations, Washington, D.C.

**Rear Adm. (lower half) Jeffrey S. Scheidt** will be assigned as

deputy chief, computer network operations, National Security Agency, Office of the Undersecretary of Defense for Intelligence, Washington, D.C. Scheidt is serving as commander, Naval Information Warfighting Development Center, Norfolk, Virginia. Rear Adm. (lower half) Philip W. Yu will be assigned as U.S. senior defense official/defense attaché, Moscow. Yu served as China branch chief, N5I1, Office of the Chief of Naval Operations, Washington, D.C.