

SECDEF Announces Flag and General Officer Nominations

From the Department of Defense, June 13, 2025

ARLINGTON, Va. – Secretary of Defense Pete Hegseth announced today that the president has made the following nominations:

Marine Corps Col. Christopher G. Tolar for appointment to the grade of major general, with assignment as staff judge advocate to the Commandant of the Marine Corps, Pentagon, Washington, D.C. Tolar is currently serving as command judge advocate, U.S. Africa Command, Stuttgart, Germany.

Navy Rear Adm. (lower half) Kristin Acquavella for appointment to the grade of rear admiral. Acquavella most recently served as commander, Naval Supply Systems Command Weapons Systems Support, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Navy Rear Adm. (lower half) David M. Buzzetti for appointment to the grade of rear admiral. Buzzetti is currently serving as deputy joint staff surgeon/director, Reserve Medical Readiness Operations and Affairs, Joint Staff, Pentagon, Washington, D.C.

Navy Rear Adm. (lower half) Matthew Case for appointment to the grade of rear admiral. Case is currently serving as deputy to the Assistant Director Health Care, Defense Health Agency/chief, Medical Service Corps, Falls Church, Virginia.

Navy Rear Adm. (lower half) David J. Faehnle for appointment to the grade of rear admiral. Faehnle is currently serving as commandant, Naval District Washington, Washington Navy Yard, Washington, D.C.

Navy Rear Adm. (lower half) Joaquin J. Martinez de Pinillos

for appointment to the grade of rear admiral. Martinez de Pinillos is currently serving as reserve director, Maritime Operations, U.S. Pacific Fleet, Pearl Harbor, Hawaii.

Navy Rear Adm. (lower half) Donald M. Plummer for appointment to the grade of rear admiral. Plummer is currently serving as reserve vice director, Joint Force Development, Joint Staff (J-7), Pentagon, Washington, D.C.

Navy Rear Adm. (lower half) Christopher D. Stone for appointment to the grade of rear admiral. Stone is currently serving as director, Strategy, Policy, Programs, and Logistics, J-5/4, U.S. Transportation Command, Scott Air Force Base, Illinois.

Navy Capt. Frank J. Brajevic for appointment to the grade of rear admiral (lower half). Brajevic is currently serving as chief of staff, Naval Medical Forces Pacific Navy Reserve, San Diego, California.

Navy Capt. Sharif H. Calfee for appointment to the grade of rear admiral (lower half). Calfee most recently served as senior military advisor to the Secretary of the Navy, Office of the Secretary of the Navy, Pentagon, Washington, D.C.

Navy Capt. Christopher A. Carter for appointment to the grade of rear admiral (lower half). Carter is currently serving as commander, Navy Reserve Naval Special Warfare Task Force Eighteen, San Diego, California.

Navy Capt. Kevin M. Corcoran has for appointment to the grade of rear admiral (lower half). Corcoran is currently serving as deputy commander, Navy Expeditionary Logistics Support Group, Williamsburg, Virginia.

Navy Capt. Matthew A. Hawkins for appointment to the grade of rear admiral (lower half). Hawkins is currently serving as

chief of staff, Navy Reserve U.S. Naval Forces Europe/Africa, Naples, Italy.

Navy Capt. Jonathan J. Jettparmer for appointment to the grade of rear admiral (lower half). Jettparmer is currently serving as director, Navy Reserve Program Office, Naval Sea Systems Command, Washington Navy Yard, Washington, D.C.

Navy Capt. Suzanne J.M. Krauss for appointment to the grade of rear admiral (lower half). Krauss is currently serving as commanding officer, Navy Reserve Commander Sixth Fleet Headquarters, Naples, Italy.

Navy Capt. Anthony L. Lacourse for appointment to the grade of rear admiral (lower half). Lacourse is currently serving as force surgeon, Navy Reserve U.S. Marine Corps Forces, Central Command, MacDill Air Force Base, Florida.

Navy Capt. Kristin L. McCarthy for appointment to the grade of rear admiral (lower half). McCarthy is currently serving as director, Legal Services, Navy Reserve Office of the Judge Advocate General Headquarters, Washington Navy Yard, Washington, D.C.

Navy Capt. Lester Ortiz for appointment to the grade of rear admiral (lower half). Ortiz is currently serving as commodore, Navy Reserve Seventh Naval Construction Regiment, Gulfport, Mississippi.

Navy Capt. Quinton S. Packard for appointment to the grade of rear admiral (lower half). Packard is currently serving as a military fellow at the Center for Strategic and International Studies, Washington, D.C.

Navy Capt. Rigel D. Pirrone for appointment to the grade of rear admiral (lower half). Pirrone is currently serving as commanding officer, Navy Reserve N5/N7, U.S. Naval Forces

Europe/Africa, Naples, Italy.

Navy Capt. Kimberly M. Sandberg for appointment to the grade of rear admiral (lower half). Sandberg is currently serving as chief of staff, Navy Reserve Naval Medical Forces Support Command, Houston, Texas.

Navy Capt. Michael J. Thornton for appointment to the grade of rear admiral (lower half). Thornton is currently serving as force surgeon, Navy Reserve Naval Forces Korea, Busan, Korea.

Navy Capt. Jonathan R. Townsend for appointment to the grade of rear admiral (lower half). Townsend is currently serving as commanding officer, Naval Support Activity South Potomac, Washington, D.C.

Navy Capt. Kelly C. Ward for appointment to the grade of rear admiral (lower half). Ward is currently serving as Reserve chief staff officer to commander, Navy Expeditionary Combat Command, Virginia Beach, Virginia.