

Senate Commerce Committee Coast Guard Nominee Questionnaire 117th Congress

Instructions for the nominees: The Senate Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation asks you to provide typed answers to each of the following questions. It is requested that the nominee type the question in full before each response. Do not leave any questions blank. Type "None" or "Not Applicable" if a question does not apply to the nominee. Return printed answers to Committee. Begin each section (i.e., "A", "B", etc.) on a new sheet of paper.

A. BIOGRAPHICAL INFORMATION AND QUALIFICATIONS

1. Name (Include any former names or nicknames used):

Andrew Joseph Tiongson (Andy)

2. Position to which nominated:

Coast Guard Nominee to a position of importance and responsibility and to the grade of Vice Admiral (O-9) per 14 U.S.C. § 305

3. Date of Nomination: April 27, 2022

4. Address (List current place of residence and office addresses):



Work: U. S. Southern Command
9301 NW 33rd St., Doral, FL 33172

5. Date and Place of Birth:

Date: 15 June 1967
Place: Chelsea Naval Hospital Chelsea, MA

6. Provide the name, position, and place of employment for your spouse (if married) and the names and ages of your children (including stepchildren and children by a previous marriage).

Spouse: Katherine Faverey Tiongson
Position: Retired Captain (O-6) U.S. Coast Guard / Adjunct Staff RAND Corp
Place of Employment: The RAND Corp., 1776 Main St., Santa Monica, CA 90407

Child: Katelynn Ann Tiongson
Age: 25 years

Child: Dale Robert Tiongson
Age: 23 years

7. List all college and graduate degrees. Provide year and school attended.

United States Coast Guard Academy
Bachelor of Science – Electrical Engineering 1989

The George Washington University
Master of Science (Engineering Management) – Environmental and Energy
Management 1995

The George Washington University
Master of Science Mechanical Engineering 1997

Massachusetts Institute of Technology
Master of Science Engineering and Management 2009

8. List all post-undergraduate employment, and highlight all management-level jobs held and any non-managerial jobs that relate to the position for which you are nominated.

I have served as a Coast Guard officer since May 1989. Please see my official Coast Guard biography for detailed information.

9. Attach a copy of your resume.

My official Coast Guard biography is attached.

10. List any advisory, consultative, honorary, or other part-time service or positions with Federal, State, or local governments, other than those listed above, within the last ten years.

None.

11. List all positions held as an officer, director, trustee, partner, proprietor, agent, representative, or consultant of any corporation, company, firm, partnership, or other business, enterprise, educational, or other institution within the last ten years.

Member, Board of Trustees United States Coast Guard Academy; August 2016 to May 2020

Vice President, National Board of Advisors American Society of Military Comptrollers; October 2017 to May 2018

12. Please list each membership you have had during the past ten years or currently hold with any civic, social, charitable, educational, political, professional, fraternal, benevolent or religiously affiliated organization, private club, or other membership

organization. (For this question, you do not have to list your religious affiliation or membership in a religious house of worship or institution.). Include dates of membership and any positions you have held with any organization. Please note whether any such club or organization restricts membership on the basis of sex, race, color, religion, national origin, age, or disability.

American Society of Military Comptrollers Membership Dates: 2017 to 2018
National Vice President, USCG.

The Army Navy Club Washington DC Membership Dates: 2011 to present
No positions held.

Military Officers Association of America Membership Dates: 2011 to present
No positions held.

Saint Francis of Assisi Church Parish Fulton, MD Membership Dates: 2007 to 2018...No positions held.

Saint Margaret of Scotland Church Parish (Beverly Catholic Collaborative) Beverly, MA Membership Dates: 2018 to 2020. . .No positions held.

Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church Parish Doral, FL. Membership Dates: 2020 to present. . .No positions held.

None of these organizations restricts membership on the basis of sex, race, color, religion, national origin, age, or disability.

13. Have you ever been a candidate for and/or held a public office (elected, non-elected, or appointed)? If so, indicate whether any campaign has any outstanding debt, the amount, and whether you are personally liable for that debt.

No.

14. List all memberships and offices held with and services rendered to, whether compensated or not, any political party or election committee within the past ten years. If you have held a paid position or served in a formal or official advisory position (whether compensated or not) in a political campaign within the past ten years, identify the particulars of the campaign, including the candidate, year of the campaign, and your title and responsibilities.

None.

15. Itemize all political contributions to any individual, campaign organization, political party, political action committee, or similar entity of \$200 or more for the past ten years.

None.

16. List all scholarships, fellowships, honorary degrees, honorary society memberships, military medals, and any other special recognition for outstanding service or achievements.

Military Medals / Awards:

4 Legions of Merit

4 Meritorious Service Medals with operational "O" device

3 Coast Guard Commendation Medals with operational "O" device

1 Navy Achievement Medal

1 Commandant's Letter of Commendation with operational "O" device

Several military unit and campaign awards (i.e. 1 Joint Meritorious Unit Commendation, 3 Coast Guard Unit Commendations with operational "O" device, Southwest Asia Service Medal with bronze star, Kuwait Liberation Medal)
U.S. Navy Surface Warfare Officer Designation
Perry Award (American Society of Naval Engineers Award) Nominee

17. Please list each book, article, column, Internet blog posting, or other publication you have authored, individually or with others. Include a link to each publication when possible. Also list any speeches that you have given on topics relevant to the position for which you have been nominated. Do not attach copies of these publications unless otherwise instructed.

Article: Business Process Re-engineering published in Armed Forces Comptroller magazine Spring 2016

Article: The Threat That Cannot Be Addressed Alone published in Americas Quarterly January 26, 2021

<https://americasquarterly.org/article/the-threat-that-cannot-be-addressed-alone/>

Speech: Adapting to Meet Challenges of a Growing Maritime Transportation System provided to the Maritime Risk Symposium SUNY Maritime November 2019

Speech: Economic and National Security Importance of the Arctic provided to the Tufts University, Fletcher Arctic Conference February 2020

Speech: Hurricane Eta and Iota Response in Central America provided virtually to Defense Writers Group November 2020

Speech: US Southern Command Operations provided to Defense Strategies Institute – Special Operations Forces Symposium December 2020

Speech: Countering Threats in Latin America provided virtually to the Inter-American Defense College 2021

18. List all digital platforms (including social media and other digital content sites) on which you currently or have formerly operated an account, regardless of whether or not the account was held in your name or an alias. Include the name of an "alias" or "handle" you have used on each of the named platforms. Indicate whether the account is active, deleted, or dormant. Include a link to each account if possible.

Facebook - Andy Tionson

Twitter - @TionsonAndy

19. Please identify each instance in which you have testified orally or in writing before Congress in a governmental or non-governmental capacity and specify the date and subject matter of each testimony.

None.

20. Given the current mission, major programs, and major operational objectives of the Coast Guard, what in your background or employment experience do you believe affirmatively qualifies you for appointment to the position for which you have been nominated, and why do you wish to serve in that position?

With nearly 33 years of Active Duty service in key operational and staff positions, I believe that I am qualified for appointment to a Coast Guard position of importance and responsibility and to the grade of Vice Admiral.

I have gained a great deal of operational experience while serving on 6 ships, 3 of which I commanded, and conducting a wide array of Coast Guard missions. Onboard these ships, I have participated as a leader in numerous operations involving the missions of Ports, Waterways and Coastal Security, Drug Interdiction, Search and Rescue (including hurricane response), Living Marine Resources, Defense Readiness, Migrant Interdiction, and Other Law Enforcement missions (i.e. Illegal, Unreported, and Unregulated Fishing – including People's Republic of China). All of these missions directly support the goals / objectives of the Department of Homeland Security (DHS).

My most recent operational assignments have broadened my experience and understanding of Coast Guard missions and operational objectives. In addition to the above listed missions, as the Coast Guard First District Commander, I was responsible for the execution of Aids to Navigation, Marine Safety, Marine Environmental Protection and Ice Operations (domestic) across eight states in the Northeast, including more than 2,000 miles of shoreline from the U.S.-Canadian border to northern New Jersey and 1,300 miles offshore. Currently as Director of Operations, U.S. Southern Command, I have added tremendously to my experience in Drug Interdiction, Migrant Interdiction, and Defense Readiness. I broadened my knowledge on international engagement and security cooperation across 31 countries in Central and South America. I have led the Humanitarian Assistance / Disaster Response efforts for hurricanes Eta and Iota in Central America, as well as the Haiti earthquake. Additionally, I have devised and executed operations to compete with our pacing challenge of the People's

Republic of China as they seek to expand within the Western Hemisphere. All of these efforts were accomplished by, with and through our Inter-Agency, Joint Force, partner nations and allies.

I have served in key staff positions, which have broadened my perspective of the Coast Guard and put me at the forefront in dealing with the most challenging issues facing our Service and DHS. As the Assistant Commandant for Resources / Chief Financial Officer (CFO) of the Coast Guard, I have addressed the budget and resource challenges our Service faces due to the constrained fiscal environment associated with the Budget Control Act. In this role, my leadership team clearly emphasized the importance of being good stewards of the American taxpayers' dollars. As a direct result, the Coast Guard achieved two clean, unqualified audit opinions during my tenure. Also, I worked collaboratively with the other CFOs from DHS to address department-wide challenges. Other examples include my assignments as the Executive Assistant (EA) to the Vice Commandant and Chief of the Office of Budget and Programs. While working as an EA, I assisted the Vice Commandant in addressing the key policy and resource issues the Coast Guard faced. Examples include the Repeal of "Don't Ask, Don't Tell" and follow-on implementation of the new policy, as well as Chief Financial Officer Act compliance. While serving in the Office of Budget and Programs, I gained firsthand experience in the identification and prioritization of all programmatic resource and policy needs throughout the Coast Guard to meet potential budget constraints, including Sequestration. In these staff positions, I served as a key advisor to the Commandant in balancing Service needs with policy formulation and resources.

My reason for wishing to continue to serve our Nation as a Coast Guard Vice Admiral is threefold. First, I view service in the Coast Guard as a calling. I believe in our missions, feel that we provide great service to our Nation and hold in high regard all those who serve in the Coast Guard. Secondly, I believe the leadership experience and lessons I have learned over the past 33 years have prepared me to progress in the Flag Officer corps and lead the Coast Guard into the next century of service. Finally, I feel an obligation to share my vast experience and personally lead, mentor and train Coast Guard men and women, not only preparing them for the many missions of the Coast Guard, but also helping them to become the servant leaders our Service requires.

21. What do you believe are your responsibilities, if confirmed, to ensure that the Coast Guard has proper management and accounting controls, and what experience do you have in managing a large organization?

I believe that proper stewardship of Federal resources is the responsibility of all military and civilian Coast Guard personnel. This belief has served as one of my guiding principles throughout my career and especially while I performed the duties of the Assistant Commandant for Resources / Chief Financial Officer of the Coast Guard. In this role, I set the example for other Coast Guard leaders in terms of proper management and accounting controls. I ensured that appropriate planning, internal controls, testing and reporting policies and procedures were institutionalized throughout our Service. Also, I ensured that accountability standards for those not complying with the policies and procedures were set and upheld. Our efforts proved themselves as we

achieved two consecutive Chief Financial Officer Act, unqualified, clean audit opinions – a first for any of the Armed Forces.

Additionally, throughout my career, I have held other leadership positions in which I was responsible for managing large organizations and ensuring the proper stewardship of Federal resources. I have served as a District Commander, Commanding Officer for two major Coast Guard ships [and one patrol boat] and the Executive Officer for a third. I have also served as the Executive Assistant to the Vice Commandant (similar to a Chief of Staff / Director of Staff position) and Chief, Office of Budget and Programs. In these positions, I had direct influence over how funds and resources were used. In all cases, I complied with the policies and standards set to ensure the proper management and stewardship of our resources.

22. What do you believe to be the top three challenges facing the Coast Guard, and why?

I believe that the top three challenges facing the Coast Guard include: evolving malign actors, accelerating technology, and opening of the Arctic as a maritime route.

Malign Actors (state and non-state) pose global threats and continue to become more sophisticated through evolving technologies and the internet (i.e. Unmanned Aerial Systems, autonomous surface/subsurface platforms, cyber). These threats could potentially have significant impacts on our Nation's economic strength, maritime security and the safety of lives at sea in the waters closest to our homeland. The Coast Guard must quickly evolve in its execution of Maritime Security mission sets by utilizing an All Domain Approach to these rapidly emerging threats. The Coast Guard must address cultural aspects of the current force so that all domains are included, ensure field commands are properly staffed/equipped, and improve Intelligence, Surveillance and Reconnaissance capability through greater Inter-Agency collaboration and use of open-source data with Artificial Intelligence / Machine Learning.

The Coast Guard's dependence on technology, especially with our new assets, continues to grow. These Command and Control, Communications, Computers, Cyber and Intelligence (C5I) systems are vital to Coast Guard mission execution. At the same time, technology continues to change at an accelerated pace (i.e. artificial intelligence, automation, robotics, virtual reality). With this acceleration, personnel will require new knowledge and skills, more systems will become obsolete and cyber security requirements will evolve - all requiring dedicated resources to ensure that the Coast Guard remains ready and responsive to the evolving and increasingly complex challenges of the future. Also, as these systems mature, the Coast Guard's ability to capture, evaluate and make data-based decisions will improve. The Coast Guard will need to continue to grow an information technology / cyber / data analytics savvy workforce and provide the incentives to retain it while industry is trying to grow and retain a similar workforce.

Navigable waterways in the Arctic are increasing. Challenges result from this increase in the form of opening maritime trade routes, ecotourism, natural resource exploration and recreational boating. These challenges represent mission sets that the Coast Guard

is already statutorily tasked to conduct. In order to expand to this geo-strategic region and protect U.S. sovereignty, the Coast Guard must continue to build effective partnerships across all other Arctic nations. Additionally, the Coast Guard will require additional assets and infrastructure to ensure the safety, security and stewardship of these new waterways. This issue is exacerbated by fiscal challenges; an environment that requires the acceptance of increased risk in some areas while solutions for the most critical and pressing challenges are funded.

B. POTENTIAL CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

1. Describe all financial arrangements, deferred compensation agreements, and other continuing dealings with business associates, clients, or customers. Please include information related to retirement accounts.

Please see my nominee Public Financial Disclosure Report.

2. Do you have any commitments or agreements, formal or informal, to maintain employment, affiliation, or practice with any business, association or other organization during your appointment? If so, please explain.

None.

3. Indicate any investments, obligations, liabilities, or other relationships which could involve potential conflicts of interest in the position to which you have been nominated. Explain how you will resolve each potential conflict of interest.

None. If a potential conflict of interest occurs, I will obtain advice from a Coast Guard ethics official and follow that advice.

4. Describe any business relationship, dealing, or financial transaction which you have had during the last ten years, whether for yourself, on behalf of a client, or acting as an agent, that could in any way constitute or result in a possible conflict of interest in the position to which you have been nominated. Explain how you will resolve each potential conflict of interest.

None. If a potential conflict of interest occurs, I will obtain advice from a Coast Guard ethics official and follow that advice.

5. Identify any other potential conflicts of interest, and explain how you will resolve each potential conflict of interest.

None. If a potential conflict of interest occurs, I will obtain advice from a Coast Guard ethics official and follow that advice.

6. Describe any activity during the past ten years, including the names of clients represented, in which you have been engaged for the purpose of directly or indirectly influencing the passage, defeat, or modification of any legislation or affecting the administration and execution of law or public policy.

None.

C. LEGAL MATTERS

1. Have you ever been disciplined or cited for a breach of ethics, professional misconduct, or retaliation by, or been the subject of a complaint to, any court, administrative agency, an Inspector General, the Office of Special Counsel, professional association, disciplinary committee, or other professional group? If yes:
 - a. Provide the name of agency, association, committee, or group;
 - b. Provide the date the citation, disciplinary action, complaint, or personnel action was issued or initiated;
 - c. Describe the citation, disciplinary action, complaint, or personnel action;
 - d. Provide the results of the citation, disciplinary action, complaint, or personnel action.

No.

2. Have you ever been investigated, arrested, charged, or held by any Federal, State, or other law enforcement authority of any Federal, State, county, or municipal entity, other than for a minor traffic offense? If so, please explain.

No.

3. Have you or any business or nonprofit of which you are or were an officer ever been involved as a party in an administrative agency proceeding, criminal proceeding, or civil litigation? If so, please explain.

No.

4. Have you ever been convicted (including pleas of guilty or *nolo contendere*) of any criminal violation other than a minor traffic offense? If so, please explain.

No.

5. Have you ever been accused, formally or informally, of sexual harassment or discrimination on the basis of race, color, national origin, religion, sex (including gender identity, sexual orientation, and pregnancy), age, disability, genetic information, marital status, parental status, political affiliation, engagement in a protected Equal Employment Opportunity/Equal Opportunity (EEO/EO) activity, whistleblower activity, or any other basis? If so, please explain.

When I was Commanding Officer of USCGC LEGARE (WMEC 912) from 2006 to 2008, a junior enlisted member initiated an informal complaint of discrimination against the chain of command due to low marks and negative administrative remarks concerning performance during an Enlisted Evaluation period. This informal complaint went to mediation and no formal complaint was filed. I was the complainant's fourth level supervisor. The individual's chain of command included: Supervisor, Department Head, Executive Officer and Commanding Officer.

6. If you have ever served as a general court-martial convening authority involving sexual misconduct or assault, have you ever disapproved the findings of a court-martial related to the offense(s) or reduced the sentence adjudged by a court-martial, other than in connection with a pre-trial agreement?

No.

7. Please advise the Committee of any additional information, favorable or unfavorable, which you feel should be disclosed in connection with your nomination.

None.

D. RELATIONSHIP WITH COMMITTEE

1. Will you ensure that your department/agency complies with deadlines for information set by congressional committees, and that your department/agency endeavors to timely comply with requests for information from individual Members of Congress, including requests from members in the minority?

Yes.

2. Will you ensure that your department/agency does whatever it can to protect congressional witnesses and whistleblowers from reprisal for their testimony and disclosures?

Yes.

3. Will you cooperate in providing the Committee with requested witnesses, including technical experts and career employees, with firsthand knowledge of matters of interest to the Committee?

Yes.

4. Are you willing to appear and testify before any duly constituted committee of the Congress on such occasions as you may be reasonably requested to do so?

Yes.

5. Do you agree, if confirmed, to keep this Committee, its subcommittees, other appropriate Committees of Congress, and their respective staffs apprised of new information that materially impacts the accuracy of testimony, briefings, reports, records—including documents and electronic communications, and other information you or your organization previously provided?

Yes, in accordance with law and DHS policy and guidance.

6. Do you agree, if confirmed, and on request, to provide this Committee and its subcommittees with records and other information within their oversight jurisdiction, even absent a formal Committee request?

Yes, in accordance with law and DHS policy and guidance.

7. Do you agree, if confirmed, to ensure that you and other members of your organization protect from retaliation any military member, federal employee, or contractor employee who testifies before, or communicates with this Committee, its subcommittees, and any other appropriate committee of Congress?

Yes.

(Nominee is to include this signed affidavit along with answers to the above questions.)

F. AFFIDAVIT

ANDREW J. TROWGSON being duly sworn, hereby states that he/she has read and signed the foregoing Statement on Biographical and Financial Information and that the information provided therein is, to the best of his/her knowledge, current, accurate, and complete.

Andrew J. Trowgson
Signature of Nominee

Subscribed and sworn before me this 28 day of April, 20 22.

[Signature]
Notary Public

CPT Luis Rubio, USA
Judge Advocate





Andrew J. Tiongson

Rear Admiral, United States Coast Guard
Director of Operations, J3
U.S. Southern Command



Rear Admiral Tiongson assumed the duties as the United States Southern Command's Director of Operations on 01 June 2020.

Previously, he was Commander of the First Coast Guard District headquartered in Boston, Massachusetts. There, he oversaw all Coast Guard missions across eight states in the Northeast including over 2,000 miles of coastline from the US-Canadian border to northern New Jersey and 1300 miles offshore. His prior flag assignment was as the Assistant Commandant for Resources and Chief Financial Officer for the U.S. Coast Guard, where he was responsible for all budgetary, financial and resource management activities relating to the programs and operations of the Coast Guard.

RADM Tiongson is a career Cutterman whose time at sea spans five Coast Guard cutters and one U.S. Navy ship. His afloat career began in 1989 onboard USCGC ESCANABA (WMEC 907). In 2015, he commissioned USCGC JAMES (WMSL 754), bringing the Coast Guard's fifth National Security Cutter into service. While serving onboard USS NORMANDY (CG-60) as part of the U.S. Coast Guard - U.S. Navy exchange program, he deployed in support of Operation Desert Storm. He has served in four command cadre positions afloat: Executive Officer onboard USCGC MOHAWK (WMEC 913) and Commanding Officer onboard USCGC NANTUCKET (WPB 1316), USCGC LEGARE (WMEC 912) and USCGC JAMES (WMSL 754).

Rear Admiral Tiongson has served in a variety of key staff positions, serving two different tours in the Office of Budget and Programs as a Budget Coordinator/Program Reviewer and the Office Chief. He also served in the Office of Congressional Affairs as the Senior Policy Advisor to the Speaker of the U.S. House of Representatives on domestic and international drug issues; including Plan Colombia and the Andean Counterdrug Initiative, and Veterans' Affairs. RADM Tiongson served as the Executive Assistant to the Vice Commandant of the Coast Guard where he supported the Commandant and Vice Commandant on strategic policy and budget matters.

Rear Admiral Tiongson's personal awards include four Legions of Merit, four Meritorious Service Medals, three Coast Guard Commendation Medals, the U.S. Navy Achievement Medal, the Commandant's Letter of Commendation and various Service and unit awards. He has earned the U.S. Navy Surface Warfare Officer designation.

Rear Admiral Tiongson is a 1989 graduate of the United States Coast Guard Academy where he earned a Bachelor of Science Degree in Electrical Engineering. He holds two master's degrees from The George Washington University: Mechanical Engineering and Environmental and Energy Management.

He was also a System Design and Management Fellow at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT) where he earned a Master of Science in Engineering and Management, a joint degree from MIT's Sloan School of Management and Engineering School. He also completed MIT's one-year Seminar XXI program on foreign politics, international relations, and the national interest.

RADM Andrew J. Tionson, USCG

Current Assignment

Jun 20–Present U.S. Southern Command, Director of Operations (J3), RADM

Assignment History

Jun 18–May 20 First Coast Guard District, Commander, RADM
May 16–Jun 18 COMDT (CG-8), Assistant Commandant for Resources and Chief Financial Officer (CFO), RDML
Jul 14–May 16 USCGC JAMES (WMSL 754), Commanding Officer, CAPT
May 12–Jul 14 COMDT (CG-82), Chief, Office of Budget and Programs (CG-82), CAPT
May 10–May 12 COMDT (CG-09EA), Executive Assistant to the Vice Commandant / Director of Staff (CG-092, CG-094, CG-095, CG-OOH, CG-2 and CG-8), CAPT
Jun 09–May 10 COMDT (CG-9331), Assistant Project Manager – Rescue 21, CDR
May 08–Jun 09 Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT), CDR
Jul 06–May 08 USCGC LEGARE (WMEC 912), Commanding Officer, CDR
Jul 04–Jul 06 COMDT (G-ICA), Congressional Fellow – Senior Policy Advisor to Speaker, U.S. House of Representatives for International / Domestic Drug Policy, CDR
Jul 02–Jun 04 USCGC MOHAWK (WMEC 913), Executive Officer, LCDR
Aug 99–Jun 02 COMDT (G-CPA-1), Budget Coordinator / Program Reviewer, LT –LCDR
Jul 97–Jul 99 USCGC NANTUCKET (WPB 1316), Commanding Officer, LT
Jun 95–Jun 97 COMDT (G-SLS), Assistant Project Officer / Deployment Team Leader, Configuration Management Project, LT
Jul 93–May 95 The George Washington University (GWU), LTJG – LT
May 93–Jul 93 COMDT (G-ENE), Project Officer, LTJG
Jun 91–Apr 93 USS NORMANDY (CG 60), Navigation, Administration Department Head / Fire Control Division Officer, LTJG
Aug 89–May 91 USCGC ESCANABA (WMEC 907), Student Engineer, ENS – LTJG
Jun 89–Jul 89 CG ATC Mobile, Admin Officer Cadet Training Program, ENS

Educational Summary

2021 Harvard Law School Executive Education, Negotiation and Leadership Course
2017 Harvard Kennedy School Executive Education, Senior Executives in National and International Security
2010–2011 Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT) Seminar XXI: Foreign Politics, International Relations and the National Interest
2008–2009 MIT Sloan School of Management and MIT Engineering School, Master of Science in Engineering and Management (joint degree program) (Cumulative GPA 4.8 out of 5.0)
1993–1995 The George Washington University (GWU), Master of Engineering Management in Environmental and Energy Management (Cumulative GPA 3.90)
1993–1995 GWU, Master of Science in Mechanical Engineering (Cumulative GPA 3.67)
1985–1989 USCG Academy, Bachelor of Science in Electrical Engineering (Cumulative GPA 3.12)

Military Personal Awards and Significant National Recognition or Achievement:

Military Personal Awards:

2020 Legion of Merit
2018 Legion of Merit
2016 Meritorious Medal
2014 Legion of Merit
2012 Legion of Merit
2008 Meritorious Medal
2006 Meritorious Medal
2004 USCG Commendation Medal
2002 Meritorious Medal
1999 USCG Commendation Medal
1997 USCG Commendation Medal
1993 USN Achievement Medal
1992 USN Surface Warfare Officer Designation
1991 Commandant's Letter of Commendation

Significant Achievement:

1997 Perry Award (American Society of Naval Engineers Award) Nominee

Significant Current Professional Credentials or Recent Activities

2015 Commissioned USCGC JAMES – First Commanding Officer
2010 Selected / served as member of 24th Commandant's Transition Team
2007 Led USCGC LEGARE during unprecedented Sixth Fleet deployment furthering European Command's Theater Security Cooperation objectives in West Africa.
2006 Facilitated Congressional passage of Andean Counterdrug Initiative funding and policies, Combat Meth Epidemic Act and ONDCP Authorization Act
1992 Extensive Battle Group experience in North Atlantic, Arctic, Mediterranean and Persian Gulf, including deployment in support of Operation Desert Storm