

CDR MARCUS A. CANADY

Commander Canady attended the United States Coast Academy after completing high school in Savannah, GA in 1996. At the Academy, he majored in Operations Research and played football, basketball, and track. He also served as the Genesis Club president during his senior year.

After graduating and earning his commission in May of 2000, CDR Canady was assigned to the CGC LEGARE as a Deck Watch Officer. He was also assigned as the Assistant Navigator and earned Boarding Officer and Landing Signals Officer qualifications.

In May of 2002, CDR Canady began Naval Flight training in Pensacola, FL and earned his “Wings of Gold” on October 10, 2003. His first aviation assignment was Air Station Miami, FL where he became an Aircraft Commander in the MH-65 Dolphin helicopter. During his time in Miami, he assisted in the Coast Guard’s response to Hurricane Katrina in New Orleans, LA where he saved over 20 lives. In June of 2008, CDR Canady transferred to HITRON Jacksonville where he became a Mission Commander and deployed for counter-drug missions in the Western Caribbean and Eastern Pacific Ocean. Over a three-year span, he played a role in the successful interdiction of over 10,000lbs of illegal narcotics.

In May of 2011, CDR Canady began post-graduate studies at Syracuse University where he earned a Master’s in Business Administration and an Executive Masters in Public Administration. Upon graduation he was assigned to CG-832, Office of Financial Analysis, at Coast Guard Headquarters in Washington, DC. In May of 2014, he was assigned as the Military Aide to the Commandant of the Coast Guard serving directly for ADM Paul Zukunft. In June of 2016, CDR Canady started his assignment as the Air Operations Officer in Corpus Christi where he was responsible for all aviation response in one of the most diverse Sectors in the Coast Guard, to include the volatile US/Mexico border. He assumed Command of Air Station Houston on June 28, 2019.

CDR Canady is happily married to his wife Angelisse and has three children, Marlisse Corene, Major Allen, and Maverick Maliyah.