



## Commander William J. Jacobs



Commander Jacobs assumed the duties and responsibilities of the Commanding Officer at Air Station Houston in June of 2023. Prior to Air Station Houston, Commander Jacobs served as the Coast Guard's Procurement, Construction, and Improvement (PC&I) Budget Coordinator and Acquisition Directorate (CG-9) Program Reviewer in the Office of Budget and Programs (CG-821) since 2021, where he coordinated an annual budget of \$1.6 billion. He attended Senior Service School at the Naval War College in Newport, RI and graduated with a Master's degree in National Security and Strategy in 2021. He is an Aeronautical Engineer whose last operational assignment was as the Engineering Officer at Air Station Sitka, AK. Previous assignments include Coast Guard Air Stations Clearwater, Cape Cod, Savannah, and Aviation Training Center Mobile. Prior to attending Officer Candidate School in 2004, Commander Jacobs was enlisted and served aboard CGC *DEPENDABLE* and completed deployments on various other Coast Guard cutters.

Commander Jacobs graduated in 2001 from the College of William and Mary in Williamsburg, VA with a Bachelor of Arts in Political Science and History. In 2009, he earned a Masters of Science in Quality Systems Management from the National Graduate School. While completing his Masters of Arts at the Naval War College, he was selected as an International Fellow with the Naval Command College where he fostered partnerships with naval officers representing 43 nations.

Awards include the Meritorious Service Medal, Air Medal, four Coast Guard Commendation Medals, two Coast Guard Achievement Medals, two Commandant's Letter of Commendations, and various Service, unit, and team awards. Most notably, he earned his wings as a Coast Guard Aviator in October 2006 and flew more than 4,000 flight hours in the MH-60 and MH-65 helicopter. He was also the Coast Guard's 2018 John Witherspoon Inspirational Leader Award winner.

Commander Jacobs, a native of South Hill, VA, is married to the former Ms. Adrian George also of South Hill, VA. They live in League City, TX with their two sons, Will and Jack.