

CAPTAIN KEVIN D. ODITT



Captain Kevin Oditt graduated from the U.S. Coast Guard Academy in 1992 and holds a Bachelor of Science in Electrical Engineering. Capt Oditt's previous operational assignments include the Coast Guard Cutters ALERT and VIGOROUS as the Student Engineer and Damage Control Assistant, Marine Inspector at Marine Safety Office Port Arthur, TX, Chief of Inspections at Marine Safety Office Tampa FL, and Chief of Prevention at Sector Long Island Sound, New Haven, CT.

Captain Oditt's Coast Guard Headquarters assignments include the Office of Design and Engineering Standards, where he developed national and international lifesaving and fire safety standards and was part of the U.S. delegation to the International Maritime Organization. He was involved in the stand-up of the Port Security Directorate, where he was part of the Marine Transportation Security Act regulatory team and the development of the International Ship and Port Facility Security Code. He served as the Executive Staff Chief for the Deputy Commandant for Operations, responsible for supporting senior Coast Guard Flag and Senior Executive Service officers. As the Division Chief in the Office of Commercial Vessel Compliance, he led a staff that created policy for the Coast Guard's domestic vessel safety and security program nationwide.

Captain Oditt's most recent assignment was at the Eighth Coast Guard District as the Chief of Prevention, where he oversaw Coast Guard Auxiliary, recreational boating safety, foreign and domestic commercial vessels compliance inspections, ports and facilities safety and security, as well as merchant mariner credentialing, vessel documentation, and marine casualty investigation.

Captain Oditt earned advanced degrees from the University of Michigan in Naval Architecture, and Marine Engineering and Manufacturing. He also attended the Marine Corps War College, where he earned a Masters in Strategic Studies.

Captain Oditt's personal awards include five Meritorious Service Medals, and various other service medals.