



Deputy Sector Commander
Captain Peter S. Niles
United States Coast Guard



Captain Peter S. Niles assumed the duties of Deputy Commander, Sector New York in July 2018. In this capacity, he oversees the daily operations of Sector New York's over 900 personnel, seven cutters, three small boat stations, two aids to navigation teams, and vessel traffic management system.

Captain Niles' military service began as a Military Policeman in the U.S. Army from 1984 to 1986; where he then enlisted in the Coast Guard. Captain Niles rose through the enlisted ranks from Seaman to Quartermaster First Class and then attended Officer Candidate School in 1996. Captain Niles is a permanent cutterman with over 17 years of sea service and has served proudly aboard eight cutters. Captain Niles has commanded four cutters, the ALBACORE, GEORGE COBB, OAK, and SPENCER. Captain Niles' other afloat tours include the cutters MORRO BAY, GENTIAN, IRIS, COWSLIP, SWEETGUM, and BARQUE EAGLE.



Captain Niles' ashore assignments include tours at Coast Guard Group Boston, the Seventh District Command Center in Miami, Florida, the school chief for the USCG Chief Warrant Officers Development Program, Coast Guard Office of International Affairs, and the Coast Guard Office of Navigation Systems. Captain Niles' last ashore tour was in Liberia, West Africa where he was assigned as the Maritime Advisor to the U.S. Ambassador and participated in the eradication of the Ebola virus epidemic.

Captain Niles' awards and decorations include the Silver Lifesaving Medal, three Meritorious Service Medals, Joint Service Commendation Medal, Four Coast Guard Commendation Medals, two Coast Guard Achievement Medals, Army Achievement Medal, two Commandant's Letter of Commendations, the Iraq Campaign Medal, and numerous unit awards.

Captain Niles is from Bennington, Vermont. He is married to retired Coast Guard Lieutenant Commander Katherine Niles. They have two children, Gabe and Cooper.