



LIEUTENANT COMMANDER NICOLE EMMONS

DISTRICT FORMAL
INVESTIGATION MEMBER

Lieutenant Commander Emmons currently serves as a staff member at the Fifth Coast Guard District's Inspections and Investigations Branch. As an investigating officer and journeyman marine inspector, she is responsible for reviewing marine casualty investigations, enforcement cases, and providing oversight for facility, container, and explosive load-out inspections across six states.

CAREER

Lieutenant Commander Emmons previously served as the senior investigating officer at Sector Ohio Valley in Louisville, KY. As the senior investigating officer, she prosecuted negligence and misconduct Suspension and Revocation cases against U.S. Coast Guard credentialed merchant mariners and reviewed marine casualty cases that spanned over 8,000 river miles in ten states. From June 2015 to June 2019, Lieutenant Commander Emmons served as the Port Safety and Security Branch Chief and Investigating Officer at Sector San Francisco. As the Port Safety and Security Branch Chief, she supervised facility and container inspections and explosive handling operations in the nation's 5th largest container port.

Lieutenant Commander Emmons was commissioned as an Ensign after graduating from Officer Candidate School at the United States Coast Guard Academy in 2012. She then served as an apprentice marine inspector at Sector Boston. At Sector Boston, she earned qualifications in the domestic and port state control inspections branches. Before commissioning, Lieutenant Commander Emmons graduated from Marine Science Technician "A" School in 2008 and was a Marine Science Technician for four years in Lake Charles, Louisiana, at Marine Safety Unit Lake Charles.

In Lake Charles, she served as a boarding officer, pollution responder, facility inspector, and contingency planner. She attended the U.S. Coast Guard's boot camp in 2006 and served at the small boat station in Mayport, FL, from 2006 to 2008.

Lieutenant Commander Emmons earned a Bachelor of Arts in Political Science and a Bachelor of Arts in Peace, War, and Defense from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. She also holds a Master of Science degree in Criminal Justice from the University of Louisville.