



Lieutenant Commander Aaron Garnier reported aboard as Executive Officer of Marine Safety Unit Chicago, in June 2022. In this position he assists the Commanding Officer in ensuring the command mission is conducted in a safe and efficient manner overseeing the unit's personnel, finances, and policy.

A 2011 graduate of the U.S. Coast Guard Academy. LCDR Garnier received a degree in Mechanical Engineering, upon graduation he served as a Deck Watch Officer onboard the Coast Guard Cutter WILLOW. From 2009 to 2012 he served as a marine inspector at Sector Northern New England.

In 2017, LCDR Garnier reported to the Marine Safety Center (MSC) as a staff engineer in the Machinery Branch focusing on the design and construction of pressure vessels, power piping systems, and innovate machinery designs. While at the MSC he was also a member of the Salvage Engineering Response Team (SERT). As a SERT member LCDR Garnier was first on scene to the capsizing of the Motor Vessel GOLDEN RAY and responded as a technical expert for several Hurricane recovery efforts including Ida and Laura.

Prior to his current assignment LCDR Garnier served as the Executive Assistant to the Director of Inspections and Compliance (CG-5PC). Where he organized, planned, and controlled administrative manners working closely with senior officials to keep the strategic vision of the program.

He holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Mechanical Engineering from the Coast Guard Academy as well as a Master of Science in Engineering from the University of Michigan in Mechanical Engineering. LCDR Garnier is a licensed Professional Engineer.

LCDR Garnier is a native of Port Jefferson, NY. He and his wife live in Downers Grove, IL with their three dogs.