



## Rear Admiral David G. Throop

Commander, Force Readiness Command  
U.S. Coast Guard



Rear Admiral Throop assumed the responsibilities as Commander of Coast Guard Force Readiness Command (FORCECOM) in April 2015. FORCECOM supports readiness for operational commanders through training, leadership development, readiness assessments, major exercise support and tactics, techniques and procedures.

Earning his naval aviator wings in 1988 at Naval Flight Training in Pensacola, Florida, his operational aviation assignments include tours as the Commanding Officer of Air Station Cape Cod, Massachusetts; Commanding Officer of Air Station Traverse City, Michigan; Operations and Executive Officer at Coast Guard Air Station Savannah, Georgia; H65 helicopter standardization and instructor pilot at the Coast Guard's Aviation Training Center in Mobile, Alabama; and as a duty pilot at Coast Guard Group/Air Station San Diego, California.



His other assignments include Executive Assistant to the Commandant, Executive Assistant to the Vice Commandant, Chief of officer personnel at the Coast Guard Personnel Service Center, a policy analyst for the Office of Plans, Policy and Evaluation at Coast Guard Headquarters; platform manager for the C130J aircraft during initial acquisition and as a Deck Watch Officer aboard the Coast Guard Cutter Vigilant (WMEC-617) in New Bedford, Massachusetts.

A native of Burton, Michigan, RDML Throop graduated from the U.S. Coast Guard Academy with a Bachelor of Science degree in Civil Engineering. He has a Master of Public Administration from the John F. Kennedy School of Government at Harvard University and a Master of Arts in National Security and Strategic Studies from the Naval War College.

His personal awards include two Legions of Merit, five Meritorious Service Medals with "O" device, the Coast Guard Commendation Medal, the Army Commendation Medal, the Air Force Commendation Medal, the Coast Guard Achievement Medal, and various unit and service commendations. He has accumulated over 3,900 flight hours and has an FAA commercial pilot's license in both fixed wing and rotary wing aircraft.