



# Commander Sean Regan

*Deputy Commander  
Sector Southeastern New England*



CDR Sean Regan assumed the responsibilities of Deputy Commander, U.S. Coast Guard Sector Southeastern New England in Woods Hole, Massachusetts in June 2012.

Commander Regan is a 1992 graduate of Massachusetts Maritime Academy in 1992 where he was awarded a Bachelor of Science – Marine Transportation and a Third Mate unlimited tonnage/any waters license. Commander Regan entered the USCG Maritime Graduate (MARGRAD) program after graduation.

Between 1992 and 2002, Commander Regan served in a variety of maritime safety and prevention operational assignments including tours conducting inspections, investigations, pollutions response, and waterways management at Marine Safety Offices (MSO) San Francisco, California and MSO Portland, Oregon. In 2002, Commander Regan became the “Plankowner” Executive Officer for the Coast Guard’s first east-coast anti-terrorism team, Maritime Safety and Security Team 91102. Then in 2004, he became the “Plankowner” Commanding Officer for Maritime Safety and Security Team New Orleans (91112). Under his command, MSST NOLA successfully completed Homeland Security missions in over 12 states and Guantanamo Bay, Cuba. Notably, MSST NOLA provided immediate critical support in the wake of the hurricane KATRINA in 2005 where Commander Regan led over 400 security and search and rescue forces in the metropolitan area effecting rescues and providing security for the massive urban search and rescue effort. This effort resulted in the rescue of over 20,000 citizens.

Commander Regan subsequently attended the U.S. Marine Corps Command and Staff College, Quantico Virginia earning a Master of Arts in Military Science. Promoted to Commander in 2007, he served as a Maritime Homeland Security policy-maker in the Coast Guard’s Office of Counterterrorism and Defense Operations.

In early 2009, Commander Regan served at the White House on the president’s National Security Staff as Director, Maritime Security Policy and Director, Arctic Region Policy at the White House from 2009-2011. Responsible for advising the National Security Advisor, Homeland Security Advisor and president on issues such as piracy, Arctic oil drilling, mass migration, port security, and maritime security policy.

In 2011, Commander Regan attended the U.S. Naval War College, College of Naval Warfare, Newport, Rhode Island earning a Master of Arts in National Security and Strategic Studies.

CDR Regan is married to the former Mrs. Eva Hites and has four children: Brendan, Noemi, Michael, and Erin.

CDR Regan's awards include the Defense Superior Service Medal, the Meritorious Service Medal (awarded four times), the Coast Guard Commendation Medal, and the Coast Guard Achievement Medal (awarded two times).