



Commander Mark M. Driver

USCG OPBAT Director & Chief of Aviation Operations



Commander Mark M. Driver assumed duty as the U.S. Coast Guard OPBAT Director & Chief of Aviation Operations in June 2013. Prior to his Embassy posting, CDR Driver flew as a HC-130J Super Hercules pilot at Coast Guard Air Station Elizabeth City, North Carolina (2007-2013), a HC-130H Hercules pilot at Air Station Barbers Point, Hawaii (2003 to 2007) and as both an HC-130H and HH-65B Dolphin helicopter pilot at Air Station Kodiak, Alaska (2001-2003). Upon completing a Direct Commission Officer Course in 1997, CDR Driver's first assignment was as a HH-65A helicopter pilot at Air Station Traverse City, Michigan (1997-2001).

A native of Timberville, Virginia, CDR Driver served as an AH-1F Cobra attack helicopter pilot for seven years with the U.S. Army from 1990 to 1997. He graduated as a Distinguished Military Graduate from the University of Virginia Army ROTC program in 1990 with a bachelor's degree in History. CDR Driver and the former Nicole Pommerenke of Sebawaing, Michigan were married in July 2006. They are the proud parents of Joseph (Joe-age 6), Jacob (Jake-age 4) and Isabel (age 2).