



Vice Admiral Harvey E. Johnson

Commander, Coast Guard Pacific Area
Coast Guard Defense Forces West



Vice Admiral Harvey Johnson assumed the duties of Com Area in June 2004. The Area of Operations for the encompasses over 73 million miles west of the Rocky throughout the Pacific Basin to the Far East. Prior to this was the Commander, Seventh Coast Guard District and Director, Homeland Security Task Force-Southeast, where Operation Able Sentry, the DHS response to the crisis in Haiti these duties, Vice Admiral Johnson served as the Executive Coast Guard's transition into the Department of Homeland Security of Operations Capability, and Director of Operations Policy.

Prior to promotion to Flag rank in 2001, Vice Admiral Johnson the Executive Assistant to the Commandant of the Coast Guard assignments included: Commanding Officer of Air Station San Diego concurrently as Commanding Officer of Air Station San Diego; Commander, Activities San Diego. Vice Admiral Johnson also served as a fellow at the Chief of Naval Operations Strategic Studies Group at the University of Rhode Island.

Vice Admiral Johnson began his career as a Deck Watch Officer aboard the Cutter Steamer (WMEC-623). He then earned his Naval Aviator wings in 1977. He flew the HH-52A helicopter at Coast Station Houston, the HH-3F at Coast Guard Air Station Kodiak, the HH-65A in Brooklyn and the HH-60J in San Diego. Vice Admiral Johnson's staff assignments include: Aviation Assistant in the Office of Personnel and Training; Program Reviewer and Analyst within the Office of the Deputy Chief, Programs Division within the Office of the Chief of Staff; and, member of the Team.

Vice Admiral Johnson received a Bachelor of Science degree at the U.S. Coast Guard Academy. He earned a Master of Science degree at the Naval Postgraduate School in 1983, and a Master of Science degree in Management as a Sloan Fellow at the Sloan School of Management at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology in 1993.

Vice Admiral Johnson's major decorations include the Legion of Merit (3), the Meritorious Service Medal (3), the Coast Guard Commendation Medal (2), and the Coast Guard Achievement Medal.

Vice Admiral Johnson is a native of Tampa, Florida. He is married to the former Janet L. C. of Massachusetts, and they have two children, Jennifer and Scott.