



Rear Admiral Christopher J. Tomney

Director, Joint Interagency Task Force South
U.S. Coast Guard



Rear Admiral Christopher Tomney assumed the duties of Director for Joint Interagency Task Force South in April of 2015.

His previous flag assignments include Assistant Commandant, Intelligence and Criminal Investigations and Director for Joint Interagency Task Force West.

Rear Admiral Tomney graduated from the Coast Guard Academy in 1986 with a Bachelor of Science degree in Marine Science. He earned a Master of Science degree in Strategic Intelligence from the Defense Intelligence College and completed a federal executive fellowship at the Brookings Institution, earning the Brookings Certificate in Public Leadership.



A practitioner of intelligence for over twenty years, Rear Admiral Tomney served in a variety of intelligence assignments involving training, operations, planning, and management. He served as the School Chief for the Coast Guard's Operational Intelligence School, Deputy Director of the Coast Guard's Pacific Area Intelligence Division and briefly served as the Deputy Director of the Coast Guard's Counterintelligence Service. Upon establishment, he served as the first Director of Intelligence Operations for the Maritime Intelligence Fusion Center, Pacific. His national level intelligence experience includes serving as the Chief of the Coast Guard's Intelligence Plans and Policy Office and as the Executive Assistant to the Assistant Commandant for Intelligence and Criminal Investigations. He also served as Commanding Officer of the Coast Guard's Intelligence Coordination Center.

Beginning his career in afloat operations, Rear Admiral Tomney is a permanent cutterman and is qualified in tactical law enforcement. He commanded USCGC POINT MONROE out of Freeport, Texas and USCGC OCRACOCKE out of Roosevelt Roads, Puerto Rico. He served as a Deck Watch Officer in USCGC DILIGENCE and as Executive Officer in USCGC CONFIDENCE both homeported in Cape Canaveral, Florida. Additionally, he commanded Law Enforcement Detachment Two out of Key West, Florida.

Rear Admiral Tomney's military decorations include the Coast Guard Distinguished Service Medal, Defense Superior Service Medal, Legion of Merit (2), the Meritorious Service Medal, the Coast Guard Commendation Medal (4), the Navy-Marine Corps Commendation Medal, the Coast Guard Achievement Medal (2), the Commandant's Letter of Commendation, the Humanitarian Service Medal, and the Kuwaiti Liberation Medal. He has also been awarded the National Intelligence Distinguished Service Medal.