



Master Chief Ryan J. Fahlenkamp

Command Master Chief, 8th Coast Guard District



Master Chief Petty Officer Ryan Fahlenkamp assumed the duties as Command Master Chief for the 8th Coast Guard District in August 2014. His primary responsibility is to advise the Commander of the 8th Coast Guard District on issues and initiatives pertaining to all Coast Guard members and their families throughout the District, encompassing 26 states, including the Gulf of Mexico coastline from Florida to Mexico, the adjacent offshore waters and outer continental shelf, as well as the inland waterways of the Mississippi, Ohio, Missouri, Illinois, and Tennessee River systems.



Originally from Riverbank, CA, Master Chief Fahlenkamp enlisted in the United States Coast Guard in 1989. His previous assignments include Command Master Chief of PATFORSWA; Command Master Chief of the Deployable Operations Group; Chief Petty Officer Academy, Petaluma, CA.; Food Service Specialist "A" School at Training Center Petaluma, CA; Loran Station Port Clarence, Alaska; Master-at-Arms staff, Training Center Petaluma, CA; Coast Guard Cutter POINT CHICO, Bodega Bay, CA; Air Station Humboldt Bay, McKinleyville, CA; Coast Guard Cutter MUNRO, Alameda, CA; Coast Guard Cutter Resolute, Astoria, OR, and Coast Guard Cutter JARVIS, Honolulu, Hawaii.

Master Chief Fahlenkamp is a graduate of the Coast Guard Chief Petty Officer Academy Class CXLI (137) and is a graduate of several service schools to include the Coast Guard Senior Enlisted Leadership Course.

Master Chief Fahlenkamp's military awards include two Coast Guard Meritorious Service Medal, five Coast Guard Achievement Medals with operational distinguishing device, three Commandant's Letters of Commendation with operational distinguishing device, Restricted Duty and Arctic Service Medals. He has also earned a permanent Cutterman's insignia.