

Jarrood H. Smith



CDR Jarrood H. Smith is a native of Farmersville, Texas and a 2003 graduate of Texas A&M University, where he earned a B.S. in Geology (Engineering), and an A.S. in Science from Blinn College (Honors Graduate). He received a commission from Officer Candidate School, Pensacola, Florida, in 2004. Upon completion of Navy Supply Corps School in Athens, Georgia, and Submarine Officer Basic Course in Groton, Connecticut, he reported as Supply Officer, USS City of Corpus Christi (SSN 705), Apra Harbor, Guam. Follow-on assignments include: Supply Officer, Maritime Civil Affairs Squadron Two (MCAS-2), Yorktown, Virginia; Global Support Assignment (GSA) with U.S. Forces Afghanistan-South, Kandahar Province;

Hotel Services Division Officer, USS George H. W. Bush (CVN 77), and Materiel Division Officer (CVN 77), Norfolk Naval Base, Virginia; Project Officer, Naval Supply Systems Command (NAVSUP) Business Systems Center, Mechanicsburg, Pennsylvania; Navy Individual Augmentee, Husbanding Services Provider Program, Commander Naval Component Central Command, Manama, Bahrain; and Logistics Plans and Integrated Logistics Support Officer, Submarine Operations Component, U.S. Pacific Fleet Submarine Force, Pearl Harbor, HI. He's currently assigned to DASN FM&C in D.C.

CDR Smith received an MBA, Information Systems, from the Graduate School of Business & Public Policy, Naval Postgraduate School in 2014 and completed a M.S. Degree in National Security & Resource Strategy in June 2020, with focus in the Global Supply Chain & Logistics Strategy Concentration Program and the Energy Industry Study at National Defense University, Fort Lesley J. McNair, Washington, D.C. He is a Graduate of the Advanced Course in Logistics and Technology from the Institute for Defense and Business at the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, and holds the Certified in Logistics, Transportation, and Distribution credential from ASCM/APICS. Jarrood is a life-long learner and self-proclaimed autodidact. His most current initiative is building out virtual wardroom programs for military officer mentorship and guidance for military family life through the *Liberty Accelerator Program* because we all get our Liberty back eventually, and planning should've begun yesterday!

His research thesis titled "*Paradigm Change: What Is Mobilization Now? 21st Century Freedom Can't Be Shaped Using the 20th Century Forge*" was groundbreaking for the nation's future efforts across the entire National Security Enterprise. Jarrood and his wife, Jenny, also from Texas, stay busy with four kids ages 12, 11, 7, and 5, who all enjoy outdoors exploration of hiking, beach outings, and historical site-seeing. Jarrood enjoys studying and discussing macro-economic matters over craft brews and clean red wines, developments in the whole health and natural medicine markets, while also pursuing peak health through clean eating, weightlifting, bicycling and writing, because it paves the way for the mind to engage in creative problem-solving in his interest areas of military family readiness, energy (power) resiliency, and supply chain/logistics challenges in the globally connected and interdependent economies.