

## LTJG Marcia A. Villavicencio U.S. Navy Reserve Permanent Professional Recruiter



LTJG Marcia Villavicencio was born in Lima-Peru, and migrated to Miami, Florida during high school, where she joined the U.S. Navy. Her educational foundation was established at San Diego State University, where she earned a Bachelor of Arts in Journalism with a minor in Psychology. This academic achievement would later prove invaluable in her multifaceted career.

LTJG Villavicencio's naval career commenced in 2004 when she enlisted as an undesignated seaman. In a remarkable display of dedication and capability, she quickly took the challenging job of becoming a Gunner's Mate within just a year and a half. During her initial four-year period of active duty, she demonstrated remarkable determination and served with honor, completing two deployments with the USS Halsey, DDG97 (Sept 04-Jan 09).

Having fulfilled her initial active-duty commitment and being honorably discharged, LTJG Villavicencio transitioned into the U.S. Navy Reserve, where she cross-rated to Yeoman. Her career in the Reserve continued to flourish, and she earned the title of first class petty officer. Eager to continue her service and pursue further opportunities, she made the pivotal decision to apply for a commissioning as an Administrative Limited Duty Officer (6415), a step that would further distinguish her career.

Throughout her Naval Reserve career, LTJG Villavicencio undertook a series of challenging assignments, including serving at the Expeditionary Combat Readiness Center (ECRC) (Jul 09-Sep 15), PACFLT JFMCC Planning Unit (JPU) 502 Det (Oct 15-Sep 18), and her dedication and leadership also shone through during her role as Yeoman and later as Administrative Officer at Logistics Support Unit (LSU) at SEAL team SEVENTEEN from (Oct 18-Jul 21).

In her unwavering commitment to service, LTJG Villavicencio also volunteered for a mobilization to the Joint Task Force – Guantanamo Bay, Cuba, where she served as a Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) Analyst and Command Fitness Leader (Jul 17-Apr 18). This deployment showcased her versatility, adaptability, and ability to excel under challenging circumstances.

The Navy's confidence in her abilities was further demonstrated when she assumed the role of Navy Reserve Officer Recruiter at Navy Talent Acquisition Group Southwest (Jul 21-Jan 23). LTJG Villavicencio's extensive experience and understanding of Navy life made her an ideal candidate to inspire and guide the next generation of Officers in the Navy Reserve.

As of today, Lieutenant Junior Grade Marcia Villavicencio serves as a General Reserve and NAVET Officer Recruiter at Navy Recruiting Reserve Command Southwest, a role that allows her to continue to shape the future of the U.S. Navy. Her dedication and exemplary service have not gone unnoticed, as she was recently selected to become a Permanent Professional Recruiter (1287), an honor that recognizes her outstanding contributions to the Navy's recruiting efforts.

Marcia's remarkable achievements in the Navy are underscored by her numerous personal awards, including the Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal (6), the Joint Service Achievement Medal (1), and the Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medal (1). Additionally, her expertise extends beyond military service, as she has excelled in the field of social media content creation and holds certifications as a Fitness Specialist and Life Mapping Coach.