

EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Lieutenant Commander Virgil S Wright

LCDR Wright is a 1985 graduate of the University of Wisconsin-Madison where he earned a Bachelor of Science Degree. He attended Officer Candidate School in Newport, RI and was commissioned in February 1987.

In November 1987, he reported aboard USS GRIDLEY (CG-21) where he served as Repair Division, Main Machinery, Interior Communications and Missile Division Officer. He also served as the Quality Assurance Officer for GRIDLEY's COH. In November of 1990 he reported to the Pre-commissioning crew of USS SHILOH (CG-67) where he served as Fire Control Officer until August 1993.

Following completion of Department Head School he reported to USS CAPE ST GEORGE (CG-71) in August 1994 as the Weapons Control Officer. He later served as the Combat Systems Officer from June of 1995 until March of 1997.

His first shore tour was at the Combat Systems Directorate of Commander Naval Surface Forces Atlantic where he served as the staff Strike and Surface Warfare Officer until November 1998. Lcdr Wright then attended the Naval War College in Newport, RI obtaining a Master of Arts Degree in National Security and Strategic Studies. He reported aboard USS McFAUL in July 2000.

LCDR Wright's personal awards include the Meritorious Service Medal, Navy Commendation Medal, Navy Achievement Medal (2 awards), and various unit and campaign awards.

LCDR Wright is married to the former Debra Shaughnessy of Lowell, Massachusetts and has three children, Ryan, Michael and Meaghan.

