

## **SNA Charleston Chapter BOD Election Candidate Bios**

### **CDR James Flannery, USCG (Ret)**

CDR Flannery retired from the USCG in 2020 after a 22 year career as a Naval Engineer. During his 22 year career he served twice in Charleston SC onboard the now decommissioned CGC GALLATIN (WHEC-721). Other assignments included PRO Marinette, CG Yard, NESU Seattle, MIDET Singapore and LRE Product Line where he supported all of the Charleston based WMSLs. After retirement he spent approximately 4 years working as the MSC, US Coast Guard and Canadian Coast Guard Business Segment Director for Fairbanks Morse Defense. He now operates a maritime consulting business called 98 Knots. He is a 1998 Graduate of the US Merchant Marine Academy and holds a Masters of Science from Tufts University. He resides in Mt Pleasant with his wife and two children.

### **BMCS Roger A. Fuller, USCG (Ret)**

Currently serving as the Navigation Sponsor's Representative in the Office of C5I Capabilities (CG-761) supporting the requirements, priorities, and resources for cutter and boat navigation capability. Prior to this job, I served as Navigator in the Office of Cutter Forces (CG-751) supporting and maintaining policy and training for bridge professionalism. I have served on nine cutters including patrol boat, inland tenders, large buoy tender, and WHEC. While assigned to CG-751 I was elected as the second treasurer for the Coast Guard Cuttermen's Association and served honorably for my one year term.

*I would be honored to serve the Charleston Chapter of the Surface Navy Association in any capacity.*

### **ENS Katherine Jenkins, USCG**

ENS Katherine Jenkins hails from Austin, Tx and currently serves as the Assistant Navigation Officer on board USCGC STONE (WMSL 758). She is a graduate of the U.S. Coast Guard Academy, where she studied Marine and Environmental Science. ENS Jenkins is a member of the Surface Navy Association and is an active participant in Greater Charleston SNA gatherings.

### **BOSN Karl Niedermeyer, USCG**

Chief Warrant Officer (BOSN) Niedermeyer currently serves at the First Lieutenant of USCGC WILLOW. He is a proud Cutterman, with over 14 years of sea time across 6 afloat tours spanning a 22-year career. He has also served the afloat community at ATO San Diego and currently serves as the Cutter Boat – ATON representative on the Boat Forces Advisory Counsel. He has been a member of the Surface Navy Association since 2013.

### **CAPT Thomas C. Rodzewicz, USCG**

CAPT Thomas Rodzewicz assumed command of CGC James in July 2024. He has served aboard cutters for nearly 10 years and has an extensive background in cutter management, engineering, and training. In his previous assignment as the Chief of Cutter Forces at Coast Guard Atlantic Area he was responsible for the direction and oversight of 26 Major Cutters, 2800 personnel, and oversaw the employment of over 100 District and Sector afloat assets. Prior to serving at LANT, he was the Medium Endurance Product Line manager at Surface Force Logistics Center where he independently all supply, support, and repair functions ensuring the operational availability of 27 Medium Endurance Cutters and CGC EAGLE. Additionally, he was responsible to the Area Commanders for the overall readiness and maintenance of the surface fleet and contingency response operations. CAPT Rodzewicz previously served on CGCs Thetis, Diligence, Dauntless, and Spencer. His other ashore assignments were as a Port Engineer at NESU Cleavland, a Coast Guard Academy (CGA) Instructor in Engineering Department, and he attended graduate school at the University of Michigan where he earned two Master's degrees: one in Mechanical Engineering and another in Naval Architecture and Marine Engineering. CAPT Rodzewicz commission as an Ensign in 2003 after graduating from CGA with a degree in Mechanical Engineering. He and his wife Stephanie along with their three children call Virginia home.

### **LCDR Robert Tolliver, USCG**

LCDR Robert Tolliver currently serves as the Commanding Officer of CGC Willow. Previous afloat tours included DWO on Mackinaw, OPS Monomoy, CO Manowar, CO Katherine Walker. Staff Tours included CG-751 Office of Cutter Forces and Deputy of the Polar Coordination Office. LCDR Tolliver has eight years of sea time on Red, White and Black hulled cutters with many more in the future. Tolliver has been a member of SNA since 2016 and reported to Willow in June of 2024.