

# Rear Admiral Randolph L. Mahr

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Rear Admiral Randolph L. Mahr was born in Elizabeth, NJ, and graduated the United States Naval Academy in 1983 with a Bachelors of Science in Systems Engineering. In 1984 Rear Admiral Mahr was then designated Naval Flight Officer and later went onto receive his MS, "with distinction", from the Naval Postgraduate School in Monterey, CA, in 2001.

His early operational assignments as an A-6E Intruder bombardier/navigator included tours with the VA-95 Green Lizards and the VA-115 Eagles. He also served as a tactics instructor at the Medium Attack Weapons School, Pacific. Rear Admiral Mahr has served in numerous acquisition billets, including Test and Evaluation Manager, Chief Engineer for the Joint Standoff Weapon, Deputy Program Manager for a joint Navy-Air Force research program, and Chief of Staff for the Program Executive Officer, Tactical Aircraft Programs. He was the first naval officer to serve as Vice Commandant at the Air Force Institute of Technology.

Additionally Rear Admiral Mahr served in command as Program Manager (PMA-231) for the E-2 Hawkeye, C-2 Greyhound Aircraft programs, and Program Manager (PMA-251) for the Aircraft Launch and Recovery Equipment used aboard Navy and Coast Guard ships and Marine Corps expeditionary airfields. Rear Admiral Mahr's previous flag officer assignments include Commander, Naval Air Warfare Center Aircraft Division and Assistant Commander for Research and Engineering, Naval Air Systems Command.

In his current flag role, Rear Admiral Mahr is serving as Deputy Program Executive Officer for the F-35 Lightning II Program, the Department of Defense's initiative for defining affordable and sustainable fifth-generation aircraft.

During his career Rear Admiral Mahr has received several personal and unit awards as well as additional professional recognitions and commendations.