

CDR Jeff Kennedy, USNR, Ret. commissioned and graduated with a Bachelor of Arts in Economics from the University of North Carolina in 1987. After attending the Surface Warfare Officer course, Jeff served aboard USS GERMANTOWN (LSD 42) and deployed to the western Pacific in 1989. While on cruise, Jeff was accepted to flight school and reported to NAS Pensacola in December 1989. Following primary flight training, he was ordered to NAS Chase Field in Beeville, Texas flying the T-2 and TA-4. Jeff was winged in May 1992 and was selected to fly the F-14 Tomcat. After qualification at NAS Oceana, Virginia, he served with the "Jolly Rogers" and "Pukin Dogs" of Fighter Squadrons 84 and 143 deploying to Bosnia and Iraq with Carrier Airwing Eight aboard USS GEORGE WASHINGTON (CVN 73) from January-July 1996.

After deployment, Jeff took orders to Fighter Squadron 201 at NAS Ft Worth, Texas as an adversary pilot flying both the F-14 Tomcat and FA-18 Hornet from Dec 1997- May 2001. Jeff resigned from active duty and joined the Naval Reserves in 2001 and qualified in the C-40A Clipper (B737). While mobilized for Operations Noble Eagle in Fleet Logistics Squadron Five Nine, he also deployed to central Asia in support of Commander Task Force Five Three in Manama, Bahrain.

Jeff demobilized in March 2004 and retired from the Navy Reserves in January 2011 after serving as the Operations Officer of Commander Fleet Logistics Wing and with Commander Seventh Fleet aboard USS BLUE RIDGE (LCC 19).

CDR Kennedy has worked a variety of positions as a civilian including an American Airlines Boeing 727 Flight Engineer, Lockheed Martin F-35, Basing and Ship Suitability subject matter expert, Southwest Airlines Dallas based Captain/Chief Pilot and as a Captain with Hillwood Airways flying Boeing 737s for Ross Perot Jr.

Jeff and wife Teri live in Fort Worth, Texas and have 3 sons, Matt and twins Gavin/Logan.