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VADM Terry Cross, USCG (Ret.) Biography

Vice Admiral Terry M. Cross recently retired from the U.S. Coast Guard following 36 years of active service.

Prior to retirement VADM Cross served as the Vice Commandant, the Coast Guard's second in command. His other flag assignments included: Commander 17th Coast Guard District (Alaska), Director of Operations Policy, Assistant Commandant for Operations and Commander, Pacific Area.

VADM Cross served aboard the Coast Guard Cutter McCulloch before completing Naval Flight Training. He then served in a variety of aviation assignments, including Commanding Officer of Air Station San Francisco. He accumulated over 4,300 flight hours and flew as an aircraft commander in Coast Guard HU-16E, HH-52A, HU-25A/B and HH-3F aircraft.

He also held several staff assignments including Chief, Office of Budget, Chief, Office of Plans and Analysis and Chief of Staff, Atlantic Area.

VADM Cross graduated from the Coast Guard Academy with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Engineering. He also earned a Master of Science Degree in Industrial Administration from the Krannert School of Management, Purdue University and graduated from the National War College.

VADM Cross is married to the former Susan Dufort of Cumberland, RI. They have two grown children and two grandchildren.