
Vincent M. Kapral



Director for Naval Information Forces, San Diego Detachment

Mr. Vincent M. Kapral is the Director for Naval Information Forces (NAVIFOR), leading the organization's San Diego detachment, NAVIFOR West. In this position, Mr. Kapral directly supports the Commander and Deputy Commander, NAVIFOR, responsible for manning, training, equipping and maintaining readiness of information forces on the West Coast. As the senior member of the NAVIFOR West staff, he executes a broad range of information issues supporting the Pacific Fleet and West Coast commands. He was appointed to the Senior Executive Service as a Defense Intelligence Senior Level (DISL) October 2016.

Mr. Kapral's career in civilian service began in August 2009 at the Office of Naval Intelligence (ONI). He has served in various commands and leadership capacities, most recently as the Assistant Chief of Staff (ACOS) for Operational Readiness (N3) at NAVIFOR headquarters in Suffolk, Va. In addition to ONI, previous civilian assignments include the Office of the Chief of Naval Operations staff, Naval Networks Warfare Command (NETWARCOM) and Navy Cyber Forces. As a Navy Intelligence Officer, he led operational intelligence teams on several combat deployments aboard USS Nassau (LHA 4) during Operation Allied Force and USS Harry S. Truman (CVN 75) during Operation Iraqi Freedom.

Preceding his selection to the Special Duty Intelligence Community, Mr. Kapral served as a Surface Warfare Officer on USS Belknap (CG 26) and USS McCandless (FF 1084) during Operation Southern Watch and Desert Storm. Shore assignments include U.S. Atlantic Fleet (USLANTFLT) C4I/ Intelligence Systems Officer; Executive Assistant to the Commander, USLANTFLT Director of Intelligence; USLANTFLT Intelligence Support Officer; Joint Operations Intelligence Center Senior Watch Officer, U.S. Southern Command (SOUTHCOM); SOUTHCOM Theater Collection Manager during Operation Noble Eagle; and Deputy ACOS for Intelligence at Naval Air Forces. He retired as the Special Assistant for C4I matters to the Director of Fleet Intelligence NETWARCOM.

Mr. Kapral earned master's degrees from Old Dominion University and Saint Leo University and a bachelor's degree from American University. He is a graduate of the Navy Command and Staff College and the Armed Forces Staff College and earned a certificate in Navy Strategy and Planning from the Naval War College, his military joint specialty office designation and civilian joint duty assignment qualification. As a civilian, Mr. Kapral attended the Information Dominance Senior Leader Symposium, Navy Senior Leader Course and Navy Intelligence

Navigation Course. He has been awarded two Civilian Meritorious Service Medals and multiple other performance awards throughout his civilian career.