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Mr. Nick Freije currently serves in the Senior Level (SL) position within the Fleet Readiness Directorate as their Technical Director. In this position since 2018, he serves as the Naval Information Warfare Systems Command (NAVWAR) Technical Authority for C4ISR operational issues. He also is senior technical advisor to the Fleet, PEO C4I, PEO Space Systems, PEO Enterprise Information Systems, and other government agencies.

While earning his Master of Science degree, Mr. Freije began his professional career as the Engineering Manager for K&H Industry that manufactures electrical plugs, connectors, and portable fluorescent lights. This experience excelled his knowledge in all aspects of design and manufacturing processes. In 1995, he took a position with Naval Undersea Warfare Center where he provided key technical expertise on the automation of the radio room for 688 class submarines.

In 2000, Mr. Freije began working for NAVWAR serving as the Chief Engineer for the Automated Digital Network System (ADNS). In 2002, he was promoted to Chief Engineer for the Afloat Networks Programs which included overseeing the acquisition and engineering related to Systems Engineering on Naval C4I Information Technology (IT) network equipment and applications for several ACAT I, II, and III systems. In 2008, Mr. Freije assumed the role as the Consolidate Afloat Network and Enterprise Services (CANES) Technical Director in charge of the establishment, definition, and technical execution of the ~\$4 Billion program C4I ACAT 1 network program. In 2010, Mr. Freije transitioned to become the Naval Information Warfare Center (NIWC) Pacific Networks, Communications, and Cyber Security Lead System Engineer.

In 2016, Mr. Freije was selected to a Senior Scientific Technical Manager (SSTM) position within NIWC Pacific's office of the Chief Engineer as the Deputy for Systems Engineering, where he was responsible for providing the appropriate Systems Engineering rigor, development environments, and technical reviews for over 800 programs/projects, worth ~\$2 Billion per year executed by more than 4,500 engineers and scientists.

Nick Freije attended the Broome Community College where he earned an Associate of Science degree. He then continued his advanced education at the University of Buffalo where he earned a Bachelor of Science and a Master of Science in Electrical Engineering.

Mr. Freije's personal awards include the Meritorious Unit Accommodation and various Naval Special Act Awards. He was awarded the 2009 Top Navy Scientists and Engineers of the Year Award. Mr. Freije was awarded the DON 2014 Acquisition Workforce Individual Achievement Award for his leadership on the NGEN contract. He was a recipient of the Navy Meritorious Civilian Service Award in 2018.