
John C. Hootman



Deputy Director, Surface Warfare Division, Chief of Naval Operations (OPNAV N96B)

Mr. Hootman currently serves as the Deputy Director of the Surface Warfare Division (OPNAV N96B) on the Chief of Naval Operations' staff. In this capacity, he supports the development, integration, and resourcing of a roughly \$20 billion annual portfolio spanning the manpower, training, sustainment, modernization, and procurement requirements of the Navy's Surface Warfare systems (ships, weapons, combat systems, and sensors).

Prior to his appointment to the SES, Mr. Hootman served as the Deputy Branch Head of the Program Planning and Development Branch ("The Bullpen") in the Programming Division (OPNAV N80) from August 2012 to October 2016. Mr. Hootman's primary responsibilities included the oversight of the integration of all programming efforts for the US Navy's ~\$140B annual budget as well as the management of the Navy's Program Budget Information System. Mr. Hootman previously served as OPNAV N80's Senior Strategic Analyst and the Major Defense Acquisition Programs Analyst.

Prior to joining OPNAV, Mr. Hootman was the Deputy Ship Design Manager for LPD 17 Class New Construction (SEA 05D3) at the Naval Sea Systems Command. Mr. Hootman's previous assignments at NAVSEA included LPD 17 Design Integration Manager and Ship Concept Manager (SEA 05D1). He began his career at NSWC Carderock Division's Future Ship Concepts Branch.

Mr. Hootman received his baccalaureate degree in Naval Architecture and Marine Engineering from the Webb Institute and masters degrees in Naval Architecture and Ocean Systems Management from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

Mr. Hootman is a member of the Society of Naval Architects and Marine Engineers and the American Society of Naval Engineers. He has been the author or co-author of 21 publications. Lastly, he is also a Volunteer Firefighter/EMT and Fire Chief of the McLean Volunteer Fire Department, Fairfax County, VA.