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Mr. Simon is serving as the Principal Director, Deputy Under Secretary of the Navy (DUSN), and is the principal advisor to the Deputy Under Secretary of the Navy on strategic matters, international affairs, security cooperation, security, sensitive activities, and intelligence. Mr. Simon was appointed to the Senior Executive Service in July 2015.

Mr. Simon served as the Director for Policy in the Office of the DUSN from 2011-2015, advising DON senior leaders on all aspects of national security policy, including strategic weapons policy, defense support to civil authorities, global force management, and combatting weapons of mass destruction. From 2008-2011, Mr. Simon worked in the private sector as a Senior Policy Analyst for Delex Systems, Inc., providing policy advice and support to multiple organizations across the Department of the Navy.

Mr. Simon joined the Navy in 1981, retiring in 2008 at the rank of Captain. Mr. Simon served as a Surface Warfare Officer on seven ships, highlighted by command of USS Cushing (DD 985) from 1999-2001 and service as Reactor Officer in USS Harry S Truman (CVN 75) from 2001-2003. Mr. Simon served on the staff of the Chief of Naval Operations as head of the Navy Plans and Force Management Branch (OPNAV N312) from 2003-2008.

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