
Arthur M. Sterrett, Jr.



Director of Corporate Operations Space and Naval Warfare Systems Command

Mr. Arthur M. Sterrett serves as the Director of Corporate Operations for Space and Naval Warfare Systems Command (SPAWAR) in San Diego, California. In this role he is responsible for providing leadership of Total Force, Information Technology, Command Operations, Strategy, Public Affairs, Human Resources and EEO for SPAWAR Headquarters, Echelon 3 Naval Information Warfare Centers, and supported Program Executive Offices.

Mr. Sterrett began his government career as a Naval Officer in 1985 and was appointed to the Senior Executive Service in April 2019.

Mr. Sterrett is a graduate of the United States Naval Academy with a Bachelor of Science in Oceanography. Following graduation, he reported to Naval Air Station (NAS) Pensacola, Florida for flight training where he was selected to fly the F-14 Tomcat at NAS Miramar in San Diego, California. While at NAS Miramar, he served with the VF-124 Gunfighters, VF-114 Fighting Aardvarks and VF-31 Tomcatters. While deployed aboard the USS Enterprise to the North Arabian Sea, he participated in combat operations during Operation Praying Mantis. Later, while deployed aboard USS Carl Vinson, he participated in Operation Southern Watch. Additionally, Mr. Sterrett was selected for TOPGUN and 1992 Tomcat Instructor of the Year.

In 1994, Mr. Sterrett received orders to Washington, D.C. to serve as the F-14 Detailer. In 1996, he was selected for Aeronautical Engineering Duty Officer. His next assignments included Naval Aviation Depot, Jacksonville, Florida as the F-14/F-18 Project Manager and PMA-222 as the Deputy Program Manager (DPM) for Foreign Military Sales. During this tour, Mr. Sterrett earned a Master of Business Administration from the University of Florida.

In 2001, Mr. Sterrett received orders to SPAWAR as the Assistant Program Manager for Global Positioning System Air Integrations in PMW-156 and later PMW/A-170. In 2005, Mr. Sterrett was selected to serve as the first DPM and later Program Manager for the Carrier and Air Integration Program Office (PMW-750) at PEO C4I. In 2010, he transitioned from active duty service and returned to SPAWAR as a Navy civilian. His positions at SPAWAR include Strategic Planner for the Logistics and Fleet Support Directorate, DPM for the Fleet Readiness Directorate Installation Program Office, and Deputy Director for Corporate Operations.

Mr. Sterrett is a member of the Defense Acquisition Corps and is Level III certified in Program Management and Life Cycle Logistics. His awards include the Legion of Merit, Meritorious Service Medal, Air Medal, three Navy Commendation Medals, and five Navy Achievement Medals. Mr. Sterrett was awarded the Navy Superior Civilian Service Award in 2014.