
Lawrence Tarasek



Technical Director Naval Surface Warfare Center, Carderock Division



Lawrence Tarasek was appointed to the Senior Executive Service in September 2018. He is the Technical Director for Naval Surface Warfare Center, Carderock Division. In this position, he oversees the research, development, test and evaluation, analysis, systems engineering, design, integration and certification of complex naval warfare systems related to ships and ship systems, combatant craft and Marine Corps vehicles for the Carderock Division.

Prior to this assignment, Mr. Tarasek was the deputy Division Technical Director in the Carderock Division from 2011 to 2018, providing direct support to the Division Technical Director and Carderock leadership in the areas of health of the Division Technical Capabilities, customer interactions, division funding, strategic planning, technical excellence and staff work to the Division Technical Director.

From 2005 to 2011, Mr. Tarasek served as the Carderock Division Undersea technical project manager where he provided leadership to Carderock Division in Navy submarine design, technology integration and design workforce. He served as the primary interface between Carderock Division leadership and submarine executives in the NAVSEA Program Executive Office (PEO). He has extensive experience in every phase of the submarine life cycle and has supported acquisition design and in-service submarine platforms. From 1994 to 2005, Mr. Tarasek served as the Lead Customer Advocate for the VIRGINIA Class Program leading all technical, business and administrative management as the primary customer interface for the command with the program office. Mr. Tarasek served a three-year detail from 1991 to 1994 to the Office of Naval Research providing program management to numerous early stage submarine design concepts and Advanced Technology Demonstration projects.

Mr. Tarasek started his career in February 1985 in the Signatures Department at Carderock Division performing engineering design work for the SEAWOLF submarine program. This work encompassed design and testing for numerous SEAWOLF silencing components and integration of these components into a balanced ship design.

Mr. Tarasek graduated from State University of New York at Buffalo with a Bachelor of Science in Mechanical Engineering.

In 2013, Mr. Tarasek was presented with the Department of the Navy Meritorious Civilian Service Award.

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