

Rear Admiral Tom S. Fellin U.S. Navy (Ret.)



His Navy career spanned over 30 years and included Flag Officer assignments on the Joint Staff in the Pentagon, as a regional commander in the Pacific on Guam and as the Vice Commander of the Naval Space and Warfare Systems Command (SPAWAR). At SPAWAR he was responsible for strategic planning, leading corporate business activities, and providing an operational perspective in defining future IT product development for the Navy's Fleet and shore establishment. As a regional commander he was responsible for the security of multiple military installations, coordinating security requirements in the region with several federal and local government agencies, and representing the USA in meetings with the governments of the Federated States of Micronesia and Palau. He was also responsible for providing base services to tenant commands and Fleet units and providing land and sea training areas to Fleet and USMC units. In his J6 assignment he provided direction to a professional staff involved in Joint C4I requirements, managing

several Joint programs including information assurance, global information grid, messaging systems, command and control programs, and network management systems.

His operational commands included Commander Naval Forces Marianas, Guam; Commanding Officer of the USS *Independence* (CV-62) the Navy's only forward deployed aircraft carrier Yokosuka, Japan; Commanding Officer of the USS *Cleveland* (LPD-7), San Diego, CA; Deputy Commander Carrier Air Wing Eleven (CVW-11), San Diego, CA; and Commanding Officer of Attack Squadron 196 (VA-196) flying the A6E *Intruder* aircraft, NAS Whidbey Island, WA. He also served on the Seventh Fleet staff as Operations Officer and the Carrier Group Seven staff as Air Operations Officer. At Seventh Fleet Admiral Fellin was responsible for planning and execution of bi-lateral and multi-lateral fleet exercises, fleet operations within the Seventh Fleet area of responsibility, and planning and execution of duties as Combined Naval Component Commander for Commander U. S. Forces Korea.