

## CAPTAIN Daniel C. Grieco, USN



Captain Daniel C. Grieco graduated from the United States Naval Academy in 1986 earning a Bachelor of Science degree in Political Science. He holds Masters Degrees in Business Administration from Embry Riddle Aeronautical University, National Security Affairs and Strategic Studies from the U.S. Naval War College, and is a graduate of the Naval Nuclear Power program. He completed aviation training and was designated a Naval Flight Officer in December 1987.

His sea duty assignments include a combat deployment while assigned to Air Anti-Submarine Squadron TWENTY TWO (VS 22) "Checkmates" aboard the USS [JOHN F. KENNEDY](#) (CV 67) participating in *Operation Desert Shield* and flew 23 combat support missions in *Operation Desert Storm*, Flag Aide for Commander Carrier Group FOUR, Sea Control Squadron TWENTY FOUR (VS 24) participating in *Operations Enduring Freedom* and *Southern Watch* and served as Executive Officer of USS [GEORGE WASHINGTON](#) (CVN 73).

Captain Grieco's command tours include Sea Control Squadron TWENTY FOUR (VS 24), the "World Famous Scouts," where he deployed the squadron as the last 8 aircraft S-3B *Viking* squadron aboard USS [THEODORE ROOSEVELT](#) (CVN 71) for *Operation Iraqi Freedom*. During his command tour, the squadron flew 229 overland combat sorties supporting Multi-National Division Southeast, won the 2005-2006 deployment CVW 8 Golden Wrench, CNAL Golden Anchor and 2005 Battle "E." His first major command was as Commanding Officer USS [BLUE RIDGE](#) (LCC 19), the 7<sup>th</sup> FLEET Command Ship. While in command, he sailed *BLUE RIDGE* over 30,000 miles visiting 18 ports in 12 different countries in support of the 7<sup>th</sup> FLEET Commander. Selected for sequential major command, Captain Grieco was assigned as Commanding Officer of USS *THEODORE ROOSEVELT* (CVN 71). During this tour he took the ship from deep maintenance in the shipyard for nuclear refueling to a combat deployment in the 5<sup>th</sup> Fleet area of responsibility for *Operation Inherent Resolve*.

Captain Grieco's shore assignments include Fleet Replacement Squadron TWENTY SEVEN (VS 27) "Sea Wolves" as an instructor. During this tour, he was the east coast S-3 NATOPS senior evaluator and model manager. After Joint qualification he was assigned at the Pentagon to the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff in the National Military Command Center as the Assistant Deputy Director for Operations on Operations Team THREE where he was assigned on September 11<sup>th</sup> 2001. Post squadron command he was the Executive Assistant to Commander Naval Air Forces Atlantic. Having completed his tour in command of USS *THEODORE ROOSEVELT* (CVN 71) in July 2015, he was assigned to the Navy Warfare Development Command, Norfolk Virginia, as Special Assistant to the Commander for CNO projects. He retired in 2016 after 30 years of service to enjoy watching his children grow up.

His personal decorations include the Legion of Merit (3 awards), Defense Meritorious Service Medal, Meritorious Service Medal (3 awards), Air Medal (Strike/Flight)(2 awards), Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medal (3 awards), Navy Achievement Medal (2 awards) and various campaign and unit awards. He has accumulated over 2800 flight hours and 700 arrested landings on 10 different Fleet Carriers.