

Rear Admiral Kavon Hakimzadeh



Rear Adm. Kavon "Hak" Hakimzadeh enlisted in the U.S. Navy from Petal, Mississippi in January 1987, graduated from Carnegie Mellon University with a degree in Electrical Engineering and was commissioned through NROTC in May 1992. He holds master's degrees from Old Dominion University, the Naval War College, and the Johns Hopkins University School of Advanced International Studies. He was also a Massachusetts Institute of Technology Seminar XXI fellow.

Sea duty assignments include Airborne Command and Control Squadron (VAW) 125 "Tigertails" as a junior officer, Carrier Strike Group Eight as flag lieutenant, VAW-123 "Screwtops" as a department head, VAW-126 "Seahawks" and USS [*John C. Stennis*](#) (CVN 74) as executive officer. These tours included multiple deployments embarked aboard USS [*Enterprise*](#) (CVN 65), USS [*Dwight D. Eisenhower*](#) (CVN 69), USS [*Theodore Roosevelt*](#) (CVN 71) and USS [*Harry S. Truman*](#) (CVN 75). Operational command tours include VAW-126, USS [*Mount Whitney*](#) (LCC 20) and *Harry S. Truman*. During each of these tours, his teams earned recognition as the best units in the Navy in their respective categories.

Ashore, he served as a flight instructor with VAW-120 "Greyhawks," as a student at the Naval War College, and duty under instruction as an Arthur S. Moreau fellow. Additionally, he has served in five Pentagon assignments including the Joint Staff (J-3) readiness division, SOUTHCOM Washington, D.C.

office, OPNAV N00X/N9I as a strike warfare analyst and assessment branch head and two tours in OPNAV N98 as executive assistant to the Director, Air Warfare and Aircraft Carrier Requirements Branch Head.

He assumed his current duties as director, Joint and Fleet Operations, N3, U.S. Fleet Forces Command in April 2022.

He has accumulated over 3,100 flight hours and 815 carrier arrested landings, His decorations include the Legion of Merit, Bronze Star and Defense Meritorious Service Medal among other personal and unit awards.

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