## **Vice Admiral Michael Miller**



Vice Admiral Miller became the 61st superintendent of the U.S. Naval Academy on 3 August 2010. A native of Minot, North Dakota, he was commissioned at the Naval Academy in 1974 and earned his "Wings of Gold" at Pensacola in January 1976. Subsequent flying tours were primarily out of Naval Air Station Cecil Field, Florida, flying the S-3A/B *Viking* on carrier deployments around the world, including combat operations against Libya, the *Achille Lauro* terrorist incident and squadron command in the Persian Gulf during *Desert Shield/Desert Storm*.

Miller's shore assignments include duty as flag lieutenant and aide to the deputy commander in chief, U.S. Atlantic Fleet (1979), chief staff officer to Sea Strike Wing One (1986) and executive assistant to the commander, Naval Air Forces Pacific (1994).

Miller has served at sea as air operations officer for the commander, Carrier Group 8, executive officer aboard USS *John F. Kennedy* (CV 67), and in command of the Third Fleet Flagship, USS *Coronado* (AGF 11). During this tour, he was responsible for a state-of-the-art technology infusion into the command ship for the eastern Pacific.

Following *Coronado*, Miller was assigned as the operations officer for the 7th Fleet aboard USS <u>Blue Ridge</u> (LCC 19) in Yokosuka, Japan. He returned to *John F. Kennedy* in August 1999 as the commanding officer and left almost immediately for an extended deployment to the Persian Gulf. He reported for duty as the deputy director of the White House Military Office in November 2000. Miller was commissioned as a deputy assistant to the president and the first active duty director of the White House Mili-

tary Office in November 2002. He next assumed command of Carrier Strike Group 7/USS <u>Ronald Reagan</u> Strike Group in April 2005 and subsequently led the *Reagan* Strike Group on its maiden deployment to the Persian Gulf and western Pacific in 2006.

In April 2008, Miller reported as the chief of Legislative Affairs, following a tour as the deputy chief of staff for Global Force Management & Joint Operations (N3/N5), U.S. Fleet Forces Command (2007).

Miller's personal decorations include the Defense Distinguished Service Medal, the Distinguished Service Medal, the Legion of Merit (six awards), the Bronze Star, Air Medals (three awards), the Meritorious Service Medal (three awards), the Joint Service Commendation Medal, the Navy Commendation Medal (two awards), Navy Achievement Medal and various service and campaign awards.

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