

CAPT. Frederic Hall White, Jr., USN

COMMANDING OFFICER

14 November 1959 - - 4 November 1960



Frederic Hall White, Jr., was born in Seattle, Washington, on August 14, 1911, son of Frederic H. and Willys Anderson White. He attended Broadway High School and Harvard College and was commissioned Ensign, USNR, on June 26, 1934, from the NROTC unit. He subsequently transferred to Regular Navy in 1946 and advanced to the rank of Captain, with date of rank 1 June 1956.

In 1934 he joined the First Division, Naval Reserve, Seattle, Washington, and was assigned various and sundry duties as a junior officer under instructions in various departments. From November, 1939, to October 1945, served in the USS WEST VIRGINIA (BB-48) as assistant Navigator, Assistant First Lieutenant, First Lieutenant, Navigator, Acting Executive Officer and Damage Control Officer. From April 1946 to October 1947 he was assigned to the Naval School General Line, Newport, R.I., and from November 1947 to December 1948 at the Naval School General Line, Monterey, California, as Damage Control Instructor. From January 1949 to August 1950 he served as Operations Officer aboard the USS ROCHESTER (CA-124). In September 1950 he reported to U.S. Naval War College, Newport, R.I., as Assistant to Historian of Naval Operations, engaged in writing the

History of U.S. Naval Operations in World War II. With the establishment of the Officer Candidate School he served as the first Executive Officer from June 1951 to September 1953.

In October 1953 he was attached to the USS POCONO AGC-16, Flagship of COMPHIBLANT, as Executive Officer and was detached in November 1954. During the period January to February 1955 he attended Prospective Commanding Officers' School at Fleet Sonar School, Key West, Florida. On 20 March he reported as Commanding Officer, USS BARTON (DD-722). While Commanding Officer of the BARTON, the ship was flagship of COMDESRON TWO. On 23 June 1956 he was relieved as Commanding Officer and proceeded to U.S. Naval War College, Newport, R.I., where he underwent instruction in Naval Warfare. After briefing for duty on JUSMAAG, Greece, he reported in July 1957 for duty as Chief Staff Officer, Navy Section. He assumed duties as Executive Officer and Chief, Navy Section during his tour. In October 1959 he was detached as Chief, Navy Section and ordered to the USS CASCADE (AD-16) as Commanding Officer. On 9 November he reported to the USS CASCADE and assumed command on 14 November 1959.