



United States Navy Biography

Rear Admiral Douglas W. Small Program Executive Officer for Integrated Warfare Systems

Rear Adm. Doug Small is a native of Birchwood, Wisconsin. He is a 1988 graduate of Marquette University in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, where he received a Bachelor of Science in Physics. He also holds a doctorate in physics from the Naval Postgraduate School in Monterey, California.

Small's operational tours included mechanical division officer and main propulsion assistant on USS Camden (AOE 2), in which he deployed in support of Operation Desert Storm, as well as combat systems officer (plankowner) on USS Iwo Jima (LHD 7). During Operation Iraqi Freedom he served as the first technical director of Joint Crew Composite Squadron (JCCS) 1, assembled by the Navy to assist with defeating then-prevalent radio-controlled improvised explosive devices (IED).

An engineering duty officer since 1997, Small had a number of tours in acquisition, starting at the Naval Surface Warfare Center, Dahlgren Division and then the Missile Defense Agency. Moving to the Program Executive Office for Integrated Warfare Systems (PEO IWS), Small was the electronic warfare assistant and then the major program manager for Above Water Sensors (PEO IWS 2), overseeing the development of improvements for the Navy in electronic warfare and radar. His last assignment was as the executive assistant to the assistant secretary of the Navy for Research, Development and Acquisition.

He is currently serving as the program executive officer for Integrated Warfare Systems in Washington, D.C., where he reported in November 2016.

Small's decorations include the Legion of Merit, Bronze Star and Defense Meritorious Service Medal, unit awards including the Army Meritorious Unit Commendation and various campaign and service awards.

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