



CAPT Dixon Hicks (Ret) – Bio

CAPT Dixon Hicks (Ret) is a native of Honolulu, HI although as a son of a submariner, he has lived in numerous locations he currently calls Frederick, MD his home. He graduated from Georgia Institute of Technology with a Bachelor of Mechanical Engineering and earned his master's degree in finance from the Naval Postgraduate School.

His career as a nuclear submarine warfare officer includes assignments as Division Officer aboard USS SALT LAKE CITY (SSN 716); Navigation/Operations Officer aboard USS BUFFALO (SSN 715) and Executive Officer on USS OHIO (SSBN 726). Subsequent command assignments include commanding officer of USS PORTSMOUTH (SSN 707), USS TOPEKA (SSN 754) and Major Command aboard USS OHIO (SSGN-726) where he conducted SEAL operations, launched tomahawks and was one of the first submarines to integrate female submariners into the submarine force.

Ashore, he served as a Deputy at Submarine Squadrons (SUBRONs) TWO and ELEVEN and in various financial management positions at Pacific Fleet, Joint Chiefs of Staff, Secretary of the Navy, and as a Director and Deputy at OPNAV N97.

Upon his retirement from the submarine force, Mr. Hicks worked as a contractor for Cowan & Associates, managed the production of ruggedized cabinets for the military as Executive Vice President for ELECTROMET, conducting business development for SONALYSTS, and currently is the Program Manager for Maritime Industrial Base (MIB) Support with SERCO under the Shipbuilding Acquisition Program Management (SHAPM) contract. In that capacity, he manages over forty contractors who support the MIB office in several capacities to include MIB strategy, industrial workforce development, supply chain uplift, and promoting advance technology in industry.

His personal decorations include Legion of Merit (three awards), Defense Meritorious Service Medal, Meritorious Service Medal (three awards), Navy Commendation Medal (four awards), Navy Achievement Medal (two awards), and various unit awards.