



# Acquisition Directorate

## Program Executive Officer

### Rear Admiral (RDML) Ronald J. Rábago

*Director of Acquisition Programs & Program Executive Officer (PEO)*

*United States Coast Guard Acquisition Directorate (CG-9)*

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Rear Admiral Ronald J. Rábago assumed duties as the Coast Guard Program Executive Officer (PEO) and Director of Acquisition Programs on July 13, 2007, following a brief assignment as PEO for the Integrated Deepwater System during the transition to the Coast Guard's consolidated acquisition directorate. His duties as PEO include management oversight of all Coast Guard acquisition programs and projects, including Deepwater, which provides for the sustainment, modernization, and recapitalization of surface, air, command and control, and logistics assets for the Coast Guard's multiple maritime missions.

Prior to reporting as the Prospective PEO for IDS, RDML Rábago served as the Director of Personnel Management at the U.S. Coast Guard Headquarters in Washington, D.C. RDML Rábago's other assignments include: Deputy Commander of the Maintenance and Logistics Command Atlantic in Norfolk, Virginia; Industrial Manager and then the Commanding Officer of the Coast Guard Yard in Baltimore, Maryland; Chief of the Fifth District Law Enforcement Branch; Commanding Officer of the CGC TAMPA, in Portsmouth, VA; Executive Officer of the CGC BOUTWELL, in Alameda, California; Type Desk Manager in the Vessel Repair Division of the Maintenance and Logistics Command Atlantic on Governors Island, New York; Executive Officer of the Naval Engineering Support Unit (NESU) at Portsmouth, VA; Port Engineer at the Ship Repair Detachment in Portsmouth, Virginia; Engineer Officer on board the CGC TAMPA; and engineering and deck Marine Inspector at the Marine Safety Office Port Arthur, Texas. His first assignment was aboard the Honolulu-based Coast Guard Cutter (CGC) MELLON as a Student Engineer.

Rear Admiral Rábago is a 1978 graduate of the U.S. Coast Guard Academy, earning a Bachelor of Science Degree in Ocean Engineering. In 1983, he attended the University of Michigan and earned Masters of Science Degrees in Naval Architecture & Marine Engineering and Mechanical Engineering. In 1995, he was named the Coast Guard's "Engineer of the Year" and in 1996, he attended the Naval War College, where he earned a Masters Degree in National Security and Strategic Studies. Rear Admiral Rábago is a licensed Professional Engineer. On February 24, 2008, Rear Admiral Rábago received a Program Manager Level III Certification.