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Norfolk Naval Shipyard Commanding Officer Permanently Relieved of Command

NORFOLK - Commander, Naval Sea Systems Command (NAVSEA) Vice Adm. Kevin McCoy formally reprimanded the commander of Norfolk Naval Shipyard (NNSY), Rear Adm. (sel.) Greg Thomas, Oct. 25, for violating Article 133 of the Uniform Code of Military Justice, conduct unbecoming an officer and a gentleman.

The action was based on substantiated allegations from a formal investigation by the Naval Inspector General into the command climate and Thomas' treatment of subordinates under his command. He was also permanently relieved of command of NNSY and reassigned to administrative duties.

Thomas took command of the shipyard in September 2010. On May 25, 2011, he was assigned to temporary duty in Washington, D.C., at NAVSEA headquarters pending completion of the investigation.

Rear Adm. Joseph Campbell has served as the acting shipyard commander since June 2011 and will continue to do so until a new commanding officer is identified.

Norfolk Naval Shipyard in Portsmouth, Va., is one of NAVSEA's four shipyards specializing in repairing, overhauling and modernizing ships and submarines.

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