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CAPT Tim Gallaudet, Ph.D., USN becomes 53rd Superintendent, USNO

In a time-honored Change-of-Command ceremony, Captain Tim Gallaudet, Ph.D., USN assumed his duties as Superintendent, United States Naval Observatory (USNO) on 2011 September 8, relieving Captain R. Scott Steadley, USN, who will assume new duties with the Naval Research Laboratory.

Despite intermittent rain showers, the outdoor ceremony proceeded smoothly thanks to the efforts of Deputy Superintendent CDR Scott Key and USNO's military and civilian personnel.

Following the keynote speech by RDML Jonathan White, USN (CNMOC) the two Captains read their orders, and CAPT Gallaudet officially relieved CAPT Steadley at 11:45 a.m. EDT. CAPT Gallaudet is the 53rd individual to hold the title of USNO Superintendent and is the first such person to hold a Doctorate degree.

CAPT Gallaudet was born in Los Angeles, California in 1967 and graduated with distinction from the U.S. Naval Academy in 1989, receiving a Bachelor's Degree in Oceanography. He received a Master's Degree in Oceanography from Scripps Institution of Oceanography in 1991.

CAPT Gallaudet reported to OCEANOGRAPHIC UNIT FIVE onboard USNS HARKNESS in 1991 where he conducted hydrographic surveys in the Arabian Sea and Arabian Gulf.

Between 1993 and 1995, CAPT Gallaudet served as Forecast and Command Duty Officer at the Naval European Meteorology and Oceanography Center, Rota, Spain, where he also served temporary duty assignments as the Assistant Sixth Fleet Oceanographer onboard USS LASALLE, and as Officer in Charge, Naval European Meteorology and Oceanography Detachment, Souda Bay, Greece.

In 1995, CAPT Gallaudet reported onboard USS PELELIU (LHA-5) where he qualified as a Surface Warfare Officer and completed a Western Pacific Deployment in support of Operation Southern Watch with the Eleventh Marine Expeditionary Unit.

After receiving a Doctorate in Oceanography from Scripps Institution in 2001, CAPT Gallaudet reported onboard USS KITTY HAWK (CV-63) which supported Operations Enduring Freedom in

2001 and Iraqi Freedom in 2003, for which CAPT Gallaudet was awarded the 2003 COMNAVAIRFOR Leadership Award.

In 2003, CAPT Gallaudet reported to the staff of the Commander, Naval Meteorology and Oceanography Command in Stennis Space Center, Mississippi and served as the Emerging Systems Officer. Between 2004 and 2005, CAPT Gallaudet served as the Anti-Submarine Warfare (ASW) Program Manager at the Naval Oceanographic Office, completing a deployment onboard USNS BOWDITCH in support of Theater ASW Exercise (TASWEX) 2004.

In 2005, CAPT Gallaudet reported as the plank owner Commanding Officer of the Naval Oceanography Special Warfare Center, San Diego, where he was assigned additional duty on the staff of the Commander, Naval Special Warfare Command as the first Technical Special Reconnaissance (TSR) Officer in 2006.

CAPT Gallaudet was assigned to the Chief of Naval Operations staff in 2009 under the Oceanographer of the Navy where he served as the Deputy Navigator of the Navy and the Deputy Director of the Navy's Task Force Climate Change.

In September 2011, CAPT Gallaudet assumed command as the 53rd Superintendent of the United States Naval Observatory in Washington, DC. He is a resident of North Beach Maryland where he resides with his wife Caren and daughters Laurel, Aspen, and Cedar.



***CAPT Scott Steadley salutes incoming Superintendent CAPT Tim Gallaudet, Ph.D. following the Reading of Orders for the Change of Command. RDML Jonathan White (CNMOC) looks on.
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