



Vice Admiral Peter V. Neffenger **Vice Commandant U.S. Coast Guard** **2014 - 2015**

Vice Admiral Peter Neffenger served as the 29th Vice Commandant of the U.S. Coast Guard from May 2014 to July 2015.

Prior to this Vice Admiral Neffenger was the U.S. Coast Guard's Deputy Commandant for Operations, where he directed strategy, policy, resources and doctrine for the employment of Coast Guard forces globally. He is a recognized expert in crisis management, port security and maritime law enforcement. He most notably served as the Deputy National Incident Commander for the 2010 Deepwater Horizon Oil Spill crisis, the largest and most complex oil spill in U.S. history. Other Flag assignments included Director of Coast Guard Strategic Management and Doctrine, and Commander of the Ninth Coast Guard District in charge of Coast Guard operations along the Northern Border and throughout the Great Lakes.



Vice Admiral Neffenger also served as Commander of Coast Guard Sector Los Angeles/Long Beach, where he was Captain of the Port, Federal Maritime Security Coordinator, Federal On-Scene Coordinator and Officer-in-Charge of Marine Inspection for the Nation's largest and most economically significant port complex. Additionally, he was the Budget Officer of the Coast Guard, the Coast Guard Liaison Officer to the Territory of American Samoa, along with numerous other operational and staff assignments.

Commissioned in 1982 through Coast Guard Officer Candidate School, Vice Admiral Neffenger holds an MPA from Harvard University, an MA in National Security and Strategic Studies from the U.S. Naval War College, and an MA in Business Management from Central Michigan University. He earned his BA from Baldwin Wallace University. Vice Admiral Neffenger is a recipient of numerous military and civic awards, is a member of the Pacific Council on International Policy, a Distinguished Fellow at the Atlantic Council and a former Fellow on the Senate Appropriations Committee.