

Captain Christopher A. Culpepper Commanding Officer Sector Western Alaska & U.S. Arctic United States Coast Guard



Captain Christopher Culpepper serves as Commander, Sector Western Alaska & U.S. Arctic. He is responsible for marine safety, security, and environmental stewardship throughout the U.S. Arctic and Western Alaska Captain of the Port zone. He leads more than 600 active duty, civilian, reserve, and auxiliary personnel, and exercises operational control of three 110' Patrol Boats, small boat station, Aids to Navigation Team, Marine Safety Unit, and three Marine Safety Detachments.

Captain Culpepper's previous assignments include a Military Fellows Program at Carnegie Mellon University's Institute for Politics and Strategy; Commanding Officer at Maritime Force Protection Unit in Kings Bay, GA; Department of Homeland Security Secretary's Military Assistant; Coast Guard Sector North Bend's Surface Operations Officer; Redeployment Assistance and Inspection Detachment (RAID) Team Leader in Afghanistan and Kuwait for Patrol Forces Southwest Asia; U.S.



Marine Corps University; Program Manager for the Coast Guard Academy Scholar Program in Admissions Diversity Outreach; Enforcement Watch planner for the Operations Command Implementation Team; Coast Guard Sector Jacksonville's Chief of Incident Management; Pacific Area and District 11 Command Center's Command Duty Officer; and shipboard engineer and Damage Control Assistant aboard USCGC STEADFAST (WMEC 623) immediately following commissioning from the Coast Guard Academy in 2002 where he earned a Bachelor's of Science Degree in Management.

Captain Culpepper's personal decorations include the Legion of Merit, Bronze Star Medal, two Meritorious Service Medals with "O" Device," three Coast Guard Commendation Medals with "O" Device, Afghanistan Campaign Medal, and NATO Medal for International Security Assistance Force among other service ribbons and unit awards.