



## Master Chief Charlie F. Salls Coast Guard District Fourteen Command Master Chief



Master Chief Charlie F. Salls assumed the duties as Command Master Chief for the Fourteenth Coast Guard District on June 19<sup>th</sup> 2020. As the Command Senior Enlisted Leader, he provides enlisted perspective to the Commander on all Coast Guard missions throughout Oceania, including Hawai'i, Guam, the Commonwealth of Northern Mariana Islands, American Samoa, and activities in Singapore and Japan. Most recently, CMC Salls served as the Command Master Chief for the Coast Guard Personnel Service Center in Washington, DC.

Born and raised in Venezuela, Master Chief Salls travelled to the U.S. at the age of seventeen and enlisted in the U.S. Coast Guard in 1996. He has served as Command Master Chief of CG Sector San Juan, PR; Officer in Charge of Coast Guard Cutter CHINOOK and Coast Guard Cutter TARPON, Tybee Island, GA; Officer in Charge of Coast Guard Cutter HAWKSBILL, Monterey, CA; and, Officer in Charge of CG Station Yankeetown, FL. His other assignments include Assistant School Chief for Boatswain's Mate "A" School, CG Training Center Yorktown, VA; Executive Petty Officer, CG Station Cape May, NJ; Deck Watch Officer aboard Coast Guard Cutter MELLON, Seattle, WA; CG Station Charleston, SC; and Coast Guard Cutter DURABLE, St. Petersburg, FL.



Master Chief Salls is a graduate of the Coast Guard Chief Petty Officer's Academy Class 132 and the Coast Guard Senior Enlisted Leadership Course Class 46. He is actively pursuing a Bachelor of Science degree in Homeland Security and Emergency Management from Thomas Edison State University, Trenton, NJ.

Master Chief Salls' personal awards include three Meritorious Service Medals, three Coast Guard Commendation Medals, three Coast Guard Achievement Medals, and the Commandant's Letter of Commendation Ribbon Bar, all with Operational Distinguishing Devices; as well as, various service, unit, and team awards. He wears the Officer in Charge Afloat and Ashore devices and has earned the permanent Cutterman, Coxswain, and Boat Force Operations (advanced) insignias.

Master Chief Salls is married to the former Heather Foster of Oneonta, NY, also a Chief Petty Officer in the U.S. Coast Guard Reserve and are proud parents of four children.