



Capt. Harry T. Thetford, Supply Corps, United States Navy Commander, DLA Distribution Norfolk, Va.

United States Navy Supply Corps Capt. Harry T. Thetford assumed command of DLA Distribution Norfolk, Va., on April 24, 2015.

Thetford received his commission in February 1989 from Officer Candidate School in Newport, R.I. He holds a Bachelor of Science in Finance and Management and a Master of Business Administration from Appalachian State University in Boone, N.C.

Thetford first served afloat as the material control officer, Strike Fighter Squadron 147 (VFA 147), which deployed onboard the USS Nimitz (CVN 69). Subsequent afloat assignments included the USS Kearsarge (LHD 3) as the aviation supply officer; and the USS Rodney M. Davis (FFG 60) and USS Iwo Jima (LHD 7) as the supply officer.

Thetford most recently served as the force supply officer of Naval Surface Force Atlantic. He most recently deployed as the chief of staff, Central Command Joint Theater Support Contracting Command, headquartered at Camp As Sayliyah, Qatar, in support of Operations Iraqi Freedom and Enduring Freedom.

Previous shore assignments include Marine Corps Air Station, Yuma, Ariz; Fleet and Industrial Supply Center, Yokosuka, Japan; Naval Air Systems Command, Patuxent River, Md.; Commander Naval Air Force, U.S. Atlantic Fleet; Operations Officer of Naval Operational Logistics Support Center. He also served as the Logistics Operations, Programs and Policy Branch head at the Office of the Chief of Naval Operations (OPNAV N41), and executive assistant to the director, Fleet Readiness (OPNAV N43).

Thetford is qualified as a Naval Aviation Supply Officer and Surface Warfare Supply Corps Officer. He is a member of the Navy Acquisition Professional Community; a graduate of the Air Command and Staff College (JPME 1); the DoD Program in Advanced Logistics and Technology; the Wharton Executive Development Program; and the Naval Postgraduate School Navy Senior Leader Seminar. Thetford earned the 2010 Admiral Stan Arthur Award as a member of the Joint Logistics Team of the Year for Logistics Excellence.

Thetford's personal awards include the Legion of Merit, Defense Meritorious Service Medal, Meritorious Service Medal, Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medal and the Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal.