

DLA Distribution Bahrain Cmdr. John A. Olabode, Supply Corps, United States Navy Commander

Navy Cmdr. John A. Olabode hails from Los Angeles, California. He earned a Bachelor of Science in Industrial Engineering in 1999, enlisted in the Navy in 2003 and was commissioned through the Officer Candidate School Program in 2006. He holds a Master of Business Administration from the University of Scranton, Pennsylvania, Master of Science in Operations Research from the Naval Postgraduate School, California and a Master of Science in National Resource Strategy from the National Defense University, in Washington, D.C. He is a graduate of the Business Resource Management Program at the Darden School of Business Executive Program, University of Virginia.



Olabode's sea tours include wardroom officer and disbursing officer aboard

USS Kitty Hawk (CV 63), forward deployed in Yokosuka, Japan; supply officer aboard USS Arleigh Burke (DDG 51), Norfolk, Virginia, deployed in the Eastern Mediterranean and the Persian Gulf; assistant supply officer and principal assistant logistics aboard CVN 70, San Diego, California. Additionally, he deployed on a Global War on Terrorism Assignment (GSA) as a joint logistics planner to Djibouti with the Combined Joint Task Force – Horn of Africa.

Ashore, he served as carrier obsolescence manager with the Program Executive Office, Carrier and the DDG – 1000 Program Office of PEO Ships, as the Supply and Technical Data Lead at Naval Sea Systems Command headquarters; deputy branch chief, Metrics and Inventory Optimization (J343), DLA Headquarters, responsible for developing and executing mathematical and statistical analyses related to joint logistics operations, weapons systems and DLA readiness, DLA management objectives and major strategic initiatives in support of the National Military Strategy.

Most recently, Olabode was the chief staff officer, Office of the Chief of Naval Operations, N83, Fleet Readiness Division, responsible for the validation of aviation, ship, submarine and expeditionary requirements, including other Chief of Naval Operations initiatives pertaining to Fleet Readiness.

Olabode's personal awards include the Defense Meritorious Service Medal, Navy and Marine Corps Meritorious Service Medal, Joint Service Commendation Medal, Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medal (two awards), Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal (two awards) and a number of unit, campaign and other personal awards. He is a qualified Naval Aviation Supply Officer, Surface Warfare Supply Officer, a member of the Acquisition Professional Corps and completed the Senior Acquisition Course.