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## Cmdr. Chris Newell

### Supply Corps, United States Navy

### Commander

United States Navy Supply Corps Cmdr. Chris Newell is native of New Orleans, Louisiana. He graduated from Southeastern Louisiana University in 1999 and was commissioned at Officer Candidate School, Naval Air Station Pensacola, Florida, in June 2000. Following commissioning, he completed the Basic Qualification Course at the Navy Supply Corps School in Athens, Georgia and was assigned aboard USS Bridge (AOE 10) in Bremerton, Washington. Subsequent operational assignments include duty as supply officer aboard USS Lake Champlain (CG 57), as principal assistant for both services and logistics aboard the aircraft carrier USS George H.W. Bush (CVN 77) and, more recently, as the director of logistics for a Combined Joint Special Operations Task Force prosecuting offensive operations against the Islamic State. Having completed operational deployments in every paygrade, he has extensive experience in Europe, the Pacific Rim, and in southwest Asia.



Newell also has a broad range of expertise in supply chain integration, logistics operations, programmatic and policy issues gained through more than two decades of naval service. As a junior officer, he served as the aviation support officer and senior watch officer at Naval Air Station Sigonella, Italy and as flag aide for Commander, Fleet and Industrial Supply Centers, the Navy's global logistics support command. Newell then served as the director of the E-2 Hawkeye / C-2 Greyhound support team at the Naval Inventory Control Point in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, where he managed the supply chain, program support and foreign military sales of all Hawkeye and Greyhound aircraft in Navy inventory and in production. Later, Newell served as the supervisory detailer or "Pit Boss" in the Office of Supply Corps Personnel where he supervised the personnel distribution of all Supply Corps officers, Lt. Cmdr. and below – 80% of the community. In his most recent assignment, Newell served as the director of logistics for Naval Special Warfare Command. There, he led a team of military and civilian logisticians in the development, implementation and assessment of logistics doctrine, planning, policy, operations and sensitive activities for the naval special operations force. His team managed force-wide logistics enablers including IT systems, tactical ground mobility, watercraft, aerial surveillance and reconnaissance systems, and developed non-standard logistics plans in support of sensitive activities.

Newell holds a Master of Science degree in Supply Chain Management and Logistics from the University of Kansas and is a graduate of the U.S. Army Command and General Staff College at Fort Leavenworth, Kansas. He is also a graduate of the Advanced Program in Logistics and Technology at the Keenan-Flagler School of Business at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill and the Advanced Management Program taught by the Navy Supply Corps School in collaboration with the faculty of the Darden School of Business at the University of Virginia.

He is warfare qualified in surface, aviation, and expeditionary operations and his personal awards include the Meritorious Service Medal, the Operation Inherent Resolve Campaign Medal and various unit awards. Newell holds an active Top Secret (SCI) clearance, is a Navy Acquisition Professional, certified in Lifecycle Logistics, and is a member of the Defense Acquisition Corps.