



Rear Admiral Osie V. Combs Jr., USN (Ret.)

President

Rear Admiral Combs serves as the President of PEI. He brings over 50 years of proven, highly skilled technical and management experience of complex systems. Currently, Rear Admiral Combs directs the overall operations of the PEI team in the development and production of composite technology in the kinetic energy space.

Prior to starting his career in industry, RDML Combs served nearly 30 years in engineering and technical roles. Major Program Manager managed a \$13 billion SEAWOLF, ACAT ID, Acquisition program from design to construction contracting. Integrated multiple engineering organizations from industry and within government to develop SEAWOLF class submarine design. Administered all phases of Department of Defense Acquisition.

Additionally, he served as Naval Sea Systems Command (NAVSEA) Deputy Commander for Submarines, NAVSEA 92; and, as Naval Sea Systems Command Deputy Commander for Logistics, and Industrial Operations, NAVSEA 04. Other Flag assignments included Space and Naval Warfare Systems Command (SPAWAR) Director of C4ISR PD 70 (Now PEO C4ISR, CANES) and the navy's principal architect for design and development of Information Technology for the 21st Century (IT-21) which is known as Consolidated Afloat Network Enterprise Services (CANES); SPAWAR Chief Engineer (SPAWAR 04/05); and SPAWAR Vice Commander. Other assignments included Project Officer for construction of many of the Los Angeles class submarines; Assistant Program Manager for Design and Construction of SEAWOLF; Program Manager for the Large- Scale Vehicle (LSV-1), the navy's first unmanned, autonomous submarine; Project Officer for construction of the lead SEAWOLF; and then served as Major Program Manager for the SEAWOLF Attack Submarine Program. He has had ship assignments onboard USS Coral Sea (CV-43), USS Woodrow Wilson (SSBN-624) Gold, and USS Proteus (AS-19).

RDML Combs' education includes: Prairie View A&M University, Electrical Engineering (Magna Cum Laude); M.I.T. M.S., Mechanical Engineering; M.I.T. Ocean Eng., Naval Architect and Marine Engineering; Defense Systems Management College., Program Manager's Course; and Carnegie Mellon University, Tepler School of Business, Executive Program Management.