



# United States Navy Biography

## COMMANDER DONALD E. SPEIGHTS Commander, Naval Small Craft Instruction and Technical Training School

CDR Donald E. Speights was born and raised in Baton Rouge, Louisiana. In October 1992, he attended basic training in Orlando, Florida, followed by Intelligence Specialist "A" School in Dam Neck, Virginia. Immediately following "A" School, he reported to Basic Underwater Demolition/SEAL training in Coronado, California, and graduated BUD/S Class 192.

In 1993, Speights began his career in Naval Special Warfare at SEAL Delivery Vehicle Team 2, with follow on operational assignments at Naval Special Warfare Group 2, Naval Special Warfare Unit 4, Operational Support Team 2, SEAL Team 4, and Naval Special Warfare Group 4.



Speights completed an assistant officer-in-charge tour at SEAL Delivery Vehicle Team 2, followed by tours as Officer-In-Charge, Task Unit Commander, Operations Officer, and Executive Officer at SEAL Team 4.

During his almost 30-year Naval career, Speights also served staff tours at Joint Analysis Center – Molesworth, Naval Expeditionary Combatant Command, Naval Special Warfare Group 4, and Special Operations Command Central.

Speights received an undergraduate degree from Saint Leo University and a graduate degree from the United States Naval War College.

He is supported by and married to his wife, Jill. They are proud to have raised two young men: Max and Jack.