

William D. Rodriguez, Rear Admiral, US Navy, Retired

Profile

Mr. Rodriguez had a distinguished career in Navy C4ISR, including senior level positions as Chief Engineer, Acting Commander and PEO EIS at SPAWAR.

Relevant Experience

Prior to joining Suss Consulting, Rear Admiral Rodriguez served as the Chief Engineer, Space & Naval Warfare Systems Command (SPAWAR), where he directed end-to-end systems engineering, integration & interoperability of the Navy's C4ISR systems. He performed transformational capability-based engineering assessments of candidate solutions across legacy systems, acquisition programs and new technologies. He was responsible for a 3500+ military, civil service & contractor support workforce that performed systems engineering, testing & certification support for all C4ISR programs in the Navy (over \$9B). He has served as interim Commander of SPAWAR and interim PEO EIS, overseeing the development and procurement of all non-tactical information systems for the Navy.

In his role as Major Program Manager, Naval Command and Control Systems, Program Executive Office for C4ISR, Rodriguez was responsible for the development, acquisition, and life cycle management of all Naval C2 Systems and fiscally responsible for over \$110M annually. In less than one year, he transitioned the Global Command & Control System from an ACAT II program to a major ACAT IAC program.

As Program Manager, Naval Electronic Combat Surveillance Systems and Maritime Cryptologic Systems, Space and Naval Warfare Systems Command, Rodriguez was responsible for the development, acquisition & life cycle management of all Naval Communications Intelligence systems and fiscally responsible for over \$45M annually. He developed acquisition strategy and subsequent contract award for a new COMINT system in less than 10 months, a \$30M+ contract.

Prior to this, Rear Admiral Rodriguez served as Group Director, Integrated Information Systems Engineering Group, Engineering Directorate, Naval Sea Systems Command, where he was responsible for the development and integration of all information systems & internal communication systems, including all "Smart Ship" technologies (Machinery Control Systems, Damage Control Systems & Submersible SEAL Delivery System control systems) for the Naval Sea Systems Command's & all Naval Shipbuilding Programs.

Immediately prior to joining Suss Consulting, Rear Admiral Rodriguez served as Chief Engineer for the Global Source Energy Corporation, San Diego, CA where he oversaw all Global Source Energy Projects; as such, he was the technical authority for all GSE Projects.

Education

BA, Mathematics and Computer Science, The Citadel
MS, Systems Technology (Joint C3), Naval Postgraduate School