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A native of Flossmoor, Ill., Rear Admiral Philip H. Cullom graduated with distinction from the U.S. Naval Academy with a bachelor's degree in Physics. He also holds a master's degree in business administration with distinction from Harvard Business School.

At sea, he has served in various operational and engineering billets aboard USS Truxtun (CGN 35), USS Jesse L. Brown (FF 1089), USS Dwight D. Eisenhower (CVN 69), and USS Mobile Bay (CG 53), participating in numerous exercises and counter-narcotics patrols as well as Operations Desert Storm and Southern Watch. From 1998 to 1999 he commanded USS Mitscher (DDG 57), deploying to the Mediterranean, Adriatic, and North Sea during the Kosovo crisis. As Commander, Amphibious Squadron 3, he served as Sea Combat Commander for the 1st Expeditionary Strike Group (ESG 1) in support of Operations Iraqi Freedom and Enduring Freedom (2003-2004). Most recently, from June 2007 to August 2008, he commanded the Eisenhower and George Washington Strike Groups, as Commander, Carrier Strike Group 8.

Ashore, he has served in various staff, policy, strategy, and technical positions to include: Shift Engineer & Staff Training Officer of the A1W nuclear prototype at the Idaho National Engineering Laboratory, Special Assistant to the CNO's Executive Panel (OP-00K), and Branch Head for Strategy & Policy (N513). Joint assignments have included Defense Resource Manager within the J-8 Directorate of the Joint Staff, White House Fellow to the Director of the Office of Management and Budget, and Director for Defense Policy and Arms Control at the National Security Council. He also held a personnel assignment, serving as the head of Officer Programs and Placement (PERS 424/41N) for all surface nuclear trained officers from late 2001 until 2003. After completing major command, he served as the chief of staff for Commander, 2nd Fleet/Commander, Striking Fleet Atlantic until September 2005. Flag assignments ashore included Navy Staff positions as Director of Deep Blue, the Strategy & Policy (N5SP) Division, and Fleet Readiness Division (N43). In July 2010, he assumed his present duties as Director, Energy and Environmental Readiness Division on the Navy Staff.

Cullom's personal awards include the Defense Superior Service Medal (two awards), Legion of Merit (five awards), Defense Meritorious Service Medal, Navy Meritorious Service Medal (two awards), Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medal (three awards), Joint Service Achievement Medal, and Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal.

