

Captain Thomas Negus is a Northern Virginia native and a 1984 graduate of Virginia Tech. He was commissioned as a Surface Warfare Officer via Officer Candidate School in 1985.

CAPT Negus' sea assignments include Main Propulsion Assistant onboard USS FRESNO (LST 1182), Chief Engineer onboard USS VANDEGRIFT (FFG 48), and Squadron Material Officer/N-4 with PHIBRON SIX. He has commanded USS DEFENDER (MCM 2) and USS GUNSTON HALL (LSD 44). In 2005, USS GUNSTON HALL (LSD 44) was the only LSD in the Navy to earn the Battle Efficiency "E" Award. Captain Negus commanded the US Navy's Amphibious Relief Mission during Operation UNIFIED RESPONSE in the aftermath of the Haitian earthquake.

CAPT Negus's shore assignments include an intelligence tour at the Office of Naval Intelligence and at the Joint Chiefs of Staff during DESERT SHIELD/DESERT STORM; as the Surface Warfare Afloat Department Head Detailer at the Bureau of Naval Personnel; as Head, Surface Warfare Plans and Policy for the Surface Warfare Directorate (N86) on the staff of the Chief of Naval Operations; and most recently at Joint Forces Command as an SJFHQ team leader, where he deployed to Afghanistan to create and command the NATO Counter-Improvised Explosive Device organization for the International Security Forces (ISAF) in Kabul, Afghanistan.

CAPT Negus holds a Masters of Science degree in National Security Studies from the National War College, and a Masters of Arts degree in International Affairs from King's College, London.

Personnel decorations include the Joint Meritorious Service medal (two awards), the Meritorious Service medal (three awards), the Joint Commendation Medal, and the Navy Commendation medal (four awards).

He is married to the former Afife Issa from the El Khoura region in Lebanon, and they have two children, Patrick (16) and Gabrielle (15).