

Rear Admiral Walter E. "Ted" Carter, Jr.

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A native of Burrillville, R.I., Rear Admiral Carter graduated from the U.S. Naval Academy in 1981, was designated a naval flight officer in 1982, and graduated from the Navy Fighter Weapons School, Top Gun, in 1985. He commanded the VF-14 "Tophatters," USS Camden (AOE 2), USS Carl Vinson (CVN 70), and the Enterprise Carrier Strike Group (CSG 12). He flew 125 combat missions in support of joint operations, accumulating 6,150 flight hours and 2,016 carrier-arrested landings, the record among all U.S. naval aviators. He was awarded both the Vice Admiral James Bond Stockdale Leadership Award and the U.S. Navy League's John Paul Jones Award for Inspirational Leadership, and was appointed an honorary master chief by the Master Chief Petty Officer of the Navy in 2008. On leaving the College, he was promoted to vice admiral and assumed duty as Superintendent of the U.S. Naval Academy. The 54th President of the Naval War College, Rear Admiral Carter effectively led the College through an unprecedented period of fleet interaction and international engagement. Perceiving the need to create a cadre of U.S. Navy strategists, he led the efforts to establish the Advanced Studies in Naval Strategy Program. Designated by the Chief of Naval Operations to oversee all leadership and ethics training throughout the Navy, he presented a watershed white paper entitled "Ethics in the Navy" that became the cornerstone for ethical discussions within the Navy and the joint force. He subsequently established the Naval Leadership and Ethics Center in Newport, Rhode Island.