

RDML Joaquin J. Martinez de Pinillos, USN

RDML Joaquin J. Martinez de Pinillos is a native of Miami Florida. He graduated Villanova University with a Bachelor of Science in Mechanical Engineering and was commissioned through NROTC. He received a Master of Science Degree in Engineering Management with a concentration in Information Management and Information Systems from George Washington University.

A Surface Warfare Officer, he served as the Electrical Officer, Main Propulsion Assistant, Damage Control Assistant and Navigator/Admin Department Head aboard USS Copeland (FFG 25). He then reported to the staff of Commander, Amphibious Squadron Seven, as Assistant Operations Officer. He has operational experience in the Pacific, Indian Ocean and Arabian Gulf including deployments in support of overseas operations Southern Watch and Enduring Freedom.



Upon affiliating with the Navy Reserve (NR), Martinez de Pinillos served as a Staff Duty Officer/Battle Watch Captain in support of Military Sealift Command Headquarters. Subsequently, he completed a department and executive officer tour with NR Naval Cooperation and Guidance of Shipping (NCAGS) Detachment Alpha. His other staff assignments include: Operations Officer, SPAWAR Reserve Program (SRP) Unit 407; Executive Officer, Coastal Riverine Squadron Eleven and Director of Plans (N5), NR Commander Naval Forces Korea.

Martinez de Pinillos mobilized in 2008 in support of Operation ENDURING FREEDOM as the Senior Naval Officer in Western Afghanistan. In 2019, he mobilized to Bahrain to serve as the Deputy Commander – Blue, Task Force 51/5th Marine Expeditionary Brigade.

His command tours included: NR SPAWAR Reserve Unit 1011; Charlie Company Commander, Coastal Riverine Squadron Eleven; Coastal Riverine Squadron One; NR Commander Pacific Fleet Maritime Operation Center Detachment 302. During his tenure at Coastal Riverine Squadron One, his shipmates earned the Battle "E" twice.

Previous flag officer assignments include the Vice Commander, U.S. Seventh Fleet.

He is a qualified Surface Warfare, Fleet Marine Warfare Officer, and Officer Small Craft. Martinez's personal awards include the Legion of Merit, Bronze Star, Meritorious Service Medal, Navy Commendation Medal, Navy Achievement Medal along with various service medals and campaign ribbons.

RDML Martinez de Pinillos assumed duties as Reserve Director, Maritime Operations, U.S. Pacific Fleet in October 2024.