Raymond R. Delgado III Captain, United States Navy Commanding Officer Fleet Weather Center, Norfolk

A native of Hollandale, Minnesota, Captain Delgado enlisted in the Navy in 1986 and reported to basic training in San Diego, California. He was selected and completed the Broadened Opportunity for Officer Selection and Training (BOOST) program in San Diego in 1987, earning a Navy Reserve Officer Training Corps scholarship. He attended Iowa State University where he graduated with a Bachelor of Science degree in Meteorology and was commissioned in 1991.

Captain Delgado's first Meteorology and Oceanography (METOC) assignment was Fleet Numerical METOC Center in Monterey, California, where he served as Command Duty Officer and Assistant to the Operations Officer. In 1994 he reported to the amphibious ship USS NEW ORLEANS (LPH II) in San Diego, California, where he served as METOC Division Officer, earned his Surface Warfare Officer qualification and completed a Western Pacific and Indian Ocean deployment. From 1996 to 1999, he earned dual Master of Science Degrees in Meteorology and Physical Oceanography from the Naval Postgraduate School, Monterey, California. He then went on to overseas duty in Rota, Spain where he served as the Fleet Liaison Officer at the Naval European METOC Center until 2001.

Captain Delgado's next assignment was at the Naval Oceanographic Office, Stennis Space Center, Mississippi, where he earned a Master's of Science degree in Hydrographic Science from the University of Southern Mississippi in 2002 and served as senior member of the Fleet Survey Team division. He then reported to Carrier Strike Group TWELVE in Norfolk, Virginia, embarked on USS ENTERPRISE (CVN 65), where he served as Staff METOC Officer, Navigator and Group Scheduler. During this tour he participated in certification of the first Navy ship rated exclusively to sail by electronic navigation, USS CAPE ST GEORGE (CG 71). He also deployed to the North Atlantic on board USS ANZIO (CG 68). In 2005, he reported as Executive Officer to the newly-commissioned Fleet Survey Team command. In 2007, he was assigned to the Commander, Naval Meteorology and Oceanography Command (CNMOC) staff, at Stennis Space Center, where he served as Plans, Exercises and Theater Security Cooperation (TSC) officer. Captain Delgado assumed command of Fleet Survey Team from September 2008 to September 2010. Afterward, he was assigned as Staff Oceanographer and Current Operations Director (COPS) for Commander, THIRD Fleet, in San Diego until 2012. On 1 February 2013, he assumed command of Fleet Weather Center, Norfolk, Virginia.

Captain Delgado has been awarded the Meritorious Service Medal with four gold stars, Navy Commendation Medal with three gold stars, Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal with one gold star and various campaign and service awards.

He is married to LaDonna Pillsbury of Farmington, Maine, and has two daughters, Cora and Faith.

Submitted by Bob Daigle via Fay Crossley, HRC Sec.