

Joint Enabling Capabilities Command
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As the commander of U.S. Joint Forces Command's Joint Enabling Capabilities Command (JECC), Rear Adm. Carter is charged with the readiness, training and deployment of seven joint enabling capabilities provided by the Joint Deployable Teams (JDTs), Joint Public Affairs Support Element (JPASE), Joint Communications Support Element (JCSE) and the Intelligence-Quick Reaction Team (I-QRT).



The JECC is designed to efficiently and effectively meet joint task force commanders' requirements for a rapidly deployable, tailored team of experts in plans, operations, information superiority and knowledge management, logistics, public affairs, communications and intelligence.

Carter, a native of Pascoag, Rhode Island, graduated from the U.S. Naval Academy in 1981 and, following training at NAS Pensacola, Fla., was designated a Naval Flight Officer in 1982. He also graduated from the Navy Fighter Weapons School (Top Gun) in the last all-Phantom class in 1985.

His sea assignments have included the VF-161 Rock Rivers aboard USS MIDWAY (CV 41) flying the F-4S Phantom II, VF-21 Freelancers flying the F-14A Tomcat aboard USS INDEPENDENCE (CV 62), Carrier Air Wing Five Operations Officer, and the VF-14 Tophatters as Executive Officer and Commanding Officer. He served as Executive Officer aboard USS HARRY S TRUMAN (CVN 75) and as Commanding Officer of USS CAMDEN (AOE-2). He was the Commanding Officer of USS CARL VINSON (CVN 70) from October 2006 to July 2009.

Shore assignments include Instructor duty with the VF-124 Gunslingers flying the F-14A Tomcat, and Chief Staff Officer at Fighter Wing Pacific at NAS Miramar, CA. He has served in Joint tours at U.S. Central Command as Executive Assistant to the Deputy Commander and at U.S. Joint Forces Command, Joint Warfighting Center where he served as Chief of Staff.

Carter is the recipient of the U.S. Navy's prestigious Vice Admiral James Bond Stockdale Leadership Award while Commanding VF-14 as well as the U.S. Navy League's John Paul Jones Award for Inspirational Leadership while Commanding USS CARL VINSON (CVN 70).

Carter has accumulated over 5,750 flight hours in F-14 and F-4 aircraft with 1,815 carrier arrested landings on board 18 different aircraft carriers including all 11 active carriers. His personal decorations include the Defense Superior Service Medal, Legion of Merit, Distinguished Flying Cross with Combat V, Bronze Star, Defense Meritorious Service Medal, Meritorious Service Medal (four awards), Air Medal (two awards with Combat V and five Strike/Flight), as well as numerous other commendations and awards.