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### **From the Director's Desk**

CPC has completed a review of and will post the following Chapters 7,8,10,11,12,13,14 and 15 at the CPC web site early next week. These Directives supersede the corresponding Regulations. Chapters 2,3 and 9 will be available soon.

The Secretary has signed 136 temporary promotion certificates and CPC will be mailing those certificates to the officers next week.

The Officer Personnel Board will be meeting next week to make selections and recommendations for promotion to the grades of lieutenant and lieutenant commander. Good luck to all officers involved.

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### **ON BEING A COMMISSIONED OFFICER - PART 1.**

This is the first of several articles to provide NOAA Corps officers with information about being a commissioned officer of the United States. The information for this series is obtained from a DoD publication "The Armed Forces Officer" and is applicable to NOAA Corps officers.

All NOAA Corps officers swear the same oath that every president and military officers has taken since George Washington became the first president of our nation and commander in chief of its armed forces. NOAA Corps officers have sworn or affirmed that they will uphold the Constitution of the United States against all enemies, foreign or domestic, to bear true faith and allegiance to the same and to discharge well and faithfully the duties of the office without any mental reservation or purpose of evasion. An officer who swears or affirms that simple oath joins a 200-year tradition by making a commitment to our nation and our Constitution. Just as in times past, it is the commitment of "life, fortune and sacred honor." It is a guarantee to the nation and to any enemy of the nation that the officer is prepared to take any action necessary to keep our nation free.

### **NOAA CORPS ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION**

May 22, 2004 marks the 87th anniversary of the establishment of the NOAA Corps. The celebration is planned at the Reserve Officers Association (ROA) Headquarters, Washington, DC on May 8, 2004. This is an outstanding facility offering a spectacular

view of the Washington skyline. The cost for the evening's celebration is \$75 for Lieutenant Commander and above and \$65 for Lieutenant and below. Electronic and formal written invitations have been sent. Each of you are encouraged to join us on this special evening. Your RSVP is requested by May 1, 2004.

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