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Director's Message

Finally, the fun part of my job! Please join me in congratulating the following officers who were promoted on January 20, 2012 and the officers that were selected for Heavy Aircraft assignments. Kudos to all!

TO BE

LIEUTENANT:

Benjamin M. Lacour
Andrew R. Colegrove
Anna-Elizabeth B. Villard-Howe
Jeffrey G. Pereira
Colin T. Kliewer
Paul M. Chamberlain
Kyle A. Byers
Andrew J. Ostapenko
Laura T. Gallant
Gregory R. Schweitzer
Megan R. Guberski
Nathan E. Witherly
Christine L. Schultz
Claire V. Surrey-Marsden
Ronald L. Moyers, Jr.
Brian D. Prestcott

TO BE LIEUTENANT (JUNIOR GRADE):

Carmen M. Alex
Matthew R. Forrest
Bryan M. Begun
Sara A. Slaughter
Reni L. Rydlewicz
Joseph K. Carrier III
Zachary P. Cress
Robert J. Mitchell
Tanner A. Sims
Brian R. Kennedy
Kelly M. Schill
Anthony J. Imberi
David O. Vejar
Michael S. Silagi
Steven T. Loy
Alexander G. Johnston

Heavy Aircraft Selection Board Results:

Jason R. Mansour, (G-IV)
Douglas E. MacIntyre, (G-IV)
Jonathan B. Neuhaus, (Global Hawk)
Tanner A. Sims, (King Air)
Phillip W. Eastman, (Selected for Global Hawk training but will remain in current billet at AOC)

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Anne K. Lynch".

**CAPT Anne K. Lynch, NOAA
Director, Commissioned Personnel Center**

Restrictions to Political Activities

As the 2012 election moves into full swing, this is an appropriate time to remind you of the rules that apply to the political activities of Government employees who choose to express support for candidates. The most significant limitations are summarized [here](#). More detailed information on the political activity rules is available on the web site of the Ethics Law and Programs Division of the Office of the Assistant General Counsel for Administration, at: www.commerce.gov/ethics.

Set forth below is a brief summary of the political activity restrictions for all Executive Branch employees and further restrictions for NOAA Corps Officers. Note that the further restrictions are pursuant to NOAA Corps Directives, Chapter 9 (Complete details are outlined).

All Executive Branch employees are barred from engaging in partisan political activities on Government premises or during duty hours, and they may not use Government resources in connection with such activities. In addition, all employees are subject to restrictions during non-duty hours, including a bar on partisan political fundraising (cannot accept, receive, or solicit political contributions) and there are restrictions on running for political office.

NOAA Corps Officers (as well as career-SES employees) are subject to further restrictions.

NOAA Corps Officers may not actively assist in the conduct of a partisan campaign (e.g., campaign management, solicit votes, stuff envelopes, make speeches) or serve as an officer in a political organization, even during non-duty hours. However, during non-duty hours, NOAA Corps Officers (not in uniform and not using Government resources) may actively participate in nonpartisan elections and referenda; regarding partisan candidate campaigns, they may vote, make contributions, sign nominating petitions, and engage in similar activities.

If you have a question about how the political activity rules apply to your proposed activity, please contact a Department ethics attorney at [202-482-5384](tel:202-482-5384) or by e-mail at Ethicsdivision@doc.gov.

“Ask CPC” Webinar - Payroll

CPC will be hosting an ‘Ask CPC’ Webinar on Thursday, 26 January 2011 from 1430 to 1530 EST. The topic will be “Payroll Q&A” presented by the CPC Payroll Unit. Immediately following the brief presentation there will be a question and answer session with the CPC Director, Deputy Director, Division Chiefs and Program Managers. As a participant you will be able to hear the presenter, use the Q&A window to provide questions and listen to the responses to questions. Following the webinar, a summary document outlining questions raised and links to resources will be posted on the CPC website. The link for the WebEx site will be sent out from the Director, CPC, before the meeting. Future webinars will focus on topics of most interest to you. The link below will take you to an online survey; we are requesting all active duty officers respond. Please pick up to three topics you would like CPC to discuss in this forum for the following quarter. If a topic is not listed, please fill in the “Other” section with your suggestion. <http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/7YXPKQQ>.

On the Horizon

26 January 2012	“Ask CPC” Webinar
06 -16 February 2012	Mid-Grade Leadership Training
05 – 30 March 2012	REFTRA 72

Approved Resignations, Separations, and Retirements

The following officers have approved retirements, resignations, or separations. Be sure to thank them for their service to NOAA and nation.

LT Matthew R. Ringel	01 February 2012
CDR John K. Longenecker	01 February 2012
ENS Felix A. Rivera-Perez	16 February 2012
CAPT John E. Lowell Jr.	01 June 2012
CAPT Christopher A. Beaverson	01 June 2012
CDR Karl F. Mangels	01 August 2012
CDR Michael J. Hoshlyk	01 October 2012