



United States Navy Biography

Cmdr. Matthew A. Stroup, APR+M **United States Navy**

Cmdr. Matthew Stroup is a native of Romeo, Michigan. He enlisted in 2006 before earning a commission as a public affairs and visual information (PA/VI) officer through Officer Candidate School (2010). He earned a bachelor's degree in business administration (management) from Rochester Christian University (2004) and a master's degree in communication and media studies from San Diego State University (2017). He completed Joint Professional Military Education through the Naval War College (2020) and Joint Forces Staff College (2025). He is Accredited in Public Relations + Military (APR+M) through the Public Relations Society of America.



His operations and training assignments include USS George H.W. Bush (CVN 77) (2010-2012); Provincial Reconstruction Team (PRT) Farah (Afghanistan) (2012-2013); Naval Surface and Mine Warfighting Development Center (SMWDC) (2017-2019); Carrier Strike Group (CSG) 10 and USS George H.W. Bush (CVN 77) (2021-2023); and CSG-4 as the lead PA/VI trainer, mentor, and assessor for Atlantic Fleet carrier strike groups, amphibious ready groups, and independent deployers (2023-2025).

Additionally, he served in the Navy's Chief of Information's (CHINFO) field office in New York City (NAVINFO East) (2013-2016) and Naval Special Warfare Command (2019-2021).

He is currently a joint public affairs planner at the Joint Planning Support Element (JPSE).

He was privileged to lead teams that earned the 2022 Navy Media Excellence Award for the command best representing U.S. Navy public affairs, as well as Navy-wide recognition for Community Outreach (2022), Special Events and Projects (2022), Internal Communication (2022), Community Relations (2011), and Special Events and Projects (2010).

Personal awards include the 2018 Thompson-Ravitz Award as the Navy's Junior Public Affairs Officer of the Year, the 2009 American Legion Spirit of Service Award, the Meritorious Service Medal (3), Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medal (4), Army Commendation Medal, Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal (3), Combat Action Ribbon, and various campaign and service awards.