



Captain Scott D. Heller, USN  
Commanding Officer  
Space and Naval Warfare Systems Center Atlantic

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Captain Scott D. Heller assumed command of SPAWAR Systems Center (SSC) Atlantic after an assignment at PEO C4I in San Diego, California as Program Manager for the Battlespace Awareness and Information Operations Program Office (PMW 120).

The New Jersey native received a Bachelor of Arts degree in Statistics from the University of Rochester in 1988, earning his commission through the Naval Reserve Officer Training Corps.

Following Surface Warfare Officer School and Engineering Officer of the Watch training in Newport, Rhode Island, Heller reported to USS PHARRIS (FF-1094) where he served as Assistant Navigator, Boilers Officer and Main Propulsion Assistant during exercises in the Baltic for six months as part of the Standing NATO Force Atlantic (SNFL) and during numerous counter drug operations.

Heller then reported to USS NORMANDY (CG-60), homeported in Staten Island, New York, as Anti-Submarine Warfare Officer. During this time USS NORMANDY participated in operations Deny Flight and Sharp Guard off the coast of Bosnia and earned the "Hook'em Award" for the best Anti-Submarine platform in the Mediterranean for 1993.

In 1994 Heller reported to the AEGIS Combat System Engineering Development Site (CSEDS) in Moorestown, New Jersey as Assistant Officer-in-Charge. While serving at AEGIS CSEDS, Heller was selected for the Engineering Duty Officer community and the Naval Postgraduate School (NPS). At NPS he earned a Master of Science in Computer Science with a subspecialty in Information Assurance, graduating with the Navy League Award for Highest Academic Achievement.

Heller's next assignment was at then-SSC Charleston, where he assisted in the fielding and testing of multilevel secure systems and led a team of engineers in conducting Computer Network Vulnerability Assessments of all ships prior to deployment, greatly improving the information assurance posture of the Fleet.

In December 2001 Heller reported to the Engineering Duty Officer School for instructor duty, and then in January 2004 he reported to PEO C4I and Space in San Diego. Heller served as the Navy's lead for Cross Domain Solutions; as the Assistant Program Manager for the Automated Digital Network System (ADNS); and finally as Acting Deputy Program Manager (DPM) for the Deployable Joint Command and Control Program Office in Panama City Beach, Florida.

In October 2007 Heller returned to then-SSC Charleston as Executive Officer and Deputy Chief Engineer before fleeting up as Chief Engineer. While in Charleston he was selected for promotion to the rank of captain. In October 2009 he reported to Naval Surface Warfare Center, Port Hueneme Detachment as Deputy Commander, Office of Engineering and Technology and Chief Engineer, with responsibility for the technical execution of 1,900 military and civilians performing the test, evaluation and sustainment of the Navy's surface combat systems.

Heller's personal decorations include the Legion of Merit with one gold star, Meritorious Service Medal, Navy Commendation Medal with two gold stars, a Navy Achievement Medal with one gold star, and various unit and service awards.

