

**Bio for Commander John D. Hooper, USCG (Ret)**



Commander John Hooper is a native of Chagrin Falls, Ohio and his entire life has been dedicated to serving his country. He is third-generation U.S. Coast Guard with his family's legacy going back to 1867. With family members serving America since 1776 his passion is national security and he has spent his entire adult life as a national security practitioner and educator.

He retired from the U.S. Coast Guard in December, 2010 with 32 year's service, serving afloat on four large CG cutters conducting search and rescue, drug interdiction, fisheries enforcement, naval operations in the Atlantic, Caribbean, northern European waters, and the Mediterranean. His service ashore includes four tours with the U.S. Navy, on the Joint Staff, and as the first CG liaison to the National Guard Bureau.

Since retiring in 2010 he has been a civilian defense contractor for a variety of companies in the Washington, DC area as a Sr. Naval Analyst for the Chief of Naval Operations (OPNAV N515, OPNAV N2/N6), Sr. Defense Strategy Analyst/Planner for the U.S. Army (JIEDDO), and Office of the Secretary of Defense for Homeland Defense. He is currently a Sr. Defense Analyst/Planner for the National Guard Bureau's J55 staff.

He holds three graduate degrees in Military Studies and National Security Affairs from the U.S. Naval War College, American Military University, and the Royal Military College of Canada.

Since 2008 he has been an Adjunct Professor for the U.S. Naval War College College of Distance Education, teaching "Strategy and Warfare", "Joint Maritime Operations" and "Maritime Homeland Defense/Security".