

Commanding Officer



Commander Richard J. McCarthy is a 1964 NROTC graduate of Notre Dame and was commissioned as an Ensign in August of that year. He received a degree from the University of Hawaii in 1971 and graduated from the United States War College in 1982. His assignments include: **USS Brattleboro (EPCER 852)** as Damage Control Assistant; **USS Dominant (MSO 431)** as First Lieutenant and Minesweep Officer; **USS Reedbird (MSC (O) 51)** as Officer in Charge; Headquarters United States Forces Japan as an Aide and

Protocol Officer; **USS Vesuvius (AE 15)** as Engineer Officer; Aratu Naval Base, Salvador, Brazil, as an Exchange Officer in the Brazilian Navy Ship Repair Facility; **USS Conyngham (DDG17)** as Engineer Officer. He served as Executive Officer on **USS Nashville (LPD 13)**; and as Executive Assistant to the Director of Plans and Policy, rapid Deployment Joint Task Force/United States Central Command. He relieved Commander Taylor March 19, 1984, as Commanding Officer of **USS Fort Snelling (LSD 30)**.