

RADM John "Mac" McLaughlin, USN (Ret.) President & CEO, USS Midway Museum

Mac McLaughlin is President & Chief Executive Officer of the USS Midway Museum. He was hired as the Chief Operating Officer in December 2003, one month prior to the Midway's arrival in San Diego and has been the chief executive throughout the building of the Museum.

Prior to joining the Midway, Mac retired from the Navy as a Rear Admiral in August 2003. During his career as a Naval Aviator, he served as a Commanding Officer of a helicopter squadron and Naval Air Station. He served two tours of duty in the Pentagon on the Chief of Naval Operations Staff and served Flag tours as Commander, Naval Air Reserve Force and Naval Reserve Forces Command.

Mac is the former President of the Historic Naval Ships Association and the former Chair of the Naval Helicopter Association. He is a board member for the San Diego Port Tenants Association, and a member of the American Association of Museums and the California Association of Museums.

Mac graduated from the U.S. Naval Academy in 1972 where he was an All-American and Captain of the track team. He holds a Masters Degree in Public Administration from Troy State University. He is married to the former Norah Anne Flynn of Chula Vista and they have two adult children, Kathleen and Stephen and six grandchildren.