

**Captain Tom Stuhldreier**  
**Commander, Sector Lake Michigan**



**Captain Tom Stuhldreier assumed command of Coast Guard Sector Lake Michigan on 13 July 2017. He directs all Coast Guard operations in a four-state area on and around Lake Michigan. In addition to the sector staff, he oversees 18 boat stations, two aids to navigation teams, Marine Safety Unit Chicago, Marine Safety Detachment Sturgeon Bay, and Sector Field Office Grand Haven. His previous assignment was Coast Guard Liaison Officer to U.S. Pacific Command at Camp H. M. Smith, Hawaii, where he supported security cooperation, joint operations, and defense planning in the Indo-Asia-Pacific region.**

**Born in Buffalo, New York, Captain Stuhldreier grew up in Ohio and California. After attending Officer Candidate School in Yorktown, Virginia, he was commissioned an ensign in July 1993. Following an initial assignment in the Office of Readiness and Reserve at Coast Guard Headquarters, Washington, DC, he served as the Assistant Operations Officer at Coast Guard Group St. Petersburg, Florida, and taught History at the Coast Guard Academy in New London, Connecticut. His subsequent assignments include Commanding Officer of Coast Guard Station Monterey, California; supervisor and senior controller at the Coast Guard Pacific Area / Eleventh District Command Center, Alameda, California; Joint Planner at U.S. Northern Command, Colorado Springs, Colorado; Chief of Response at Coast Guard Sector San Francisco, California; and Chief of Contingency Plans at Coast Guard Pacific Area in Alameda, California.**

**Captain Stuhldreier earned a B.A. and M.A. in History from Sacramento State University and an M.S. in Joint Campaign Planning and Strategy from the Joint Advanced Warfighting School at National Defense University. His awards include the Defense Superior Service Medal, Defense Meritorious Service Medal, three Meritorious Service Medals, two Coast Guard Commendation Medals, two Coast Guard Achievement Medals, and two Commandant's Letter of Commendation Ribbons. He is authorized to wear the Advanced Boat Force Operations Insignia.**