Captain Elisa M. Garrity Commander Sector Long Island Sound



Captain Elisa Garrity is a native of Bala Cynwyd, PA and a graduate of the U.S. Coast Guard's Officer Candidate School. She recently completed Senior Service School at the U.S. Naval War College in Newport, RI, receiving her Master of Arts in National Security and Strategic Studies. Prior to attending Naval War College, she was the Deputy Sector Commander and alternate Captain of the Port at Sector Boston where she oversaw Coast Guard operations from the Massachusetts/New Hampshire state border, south to Manomet Point, Plymouth, MA, extending 200 nautical miles offshore.

Captain Garrity's previous operational units include assignments as the Response Department Head and Enforcement Chief at Sector Miami, Operations Officer at Maritime Safety and Security Team (MSST) Los Angeles – Long Beach, Law Enforcement Detachment Officer-in-Charge (OIC) at Pacific Tactical Law Enforcement Team, and Deck Watch Officer aboard USCGC SHERMAN (WHEC-720). She also completed Basic Agent Training at the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) Academy in Quantico, VA and served as a DEA Special Agent while on temporary separation from the Coast Guard.

Her previous staff assignments include Special Assistant to the 31st Vice Commandant, briefer to the first Department of Homeland Security (DHS) Secretary and Coast Guard liaison to the DHS Operations Center, Seventh Coast Guard District Tactical Law Enforcement Team Manager and Maritime Force Protection Unit Program Manager, as well as the Eleventh Coast Guard District Counter-Drug, Cutter, and Living Marine Resources Section Chief.

She is a graduate of the University of Delaware, earning a Bachelor of Arts degree in Criminal Justice and a minor in Spanish Studies. Captain Garrity also holds a Master of Arts in Disaster Management from Florida International University. Her personal awards include five Coast Guard Meritorious Service Medals with the Operational Distinguishing Device, two Coast Guard Commendation Medals with the Operational Distinguishing Device, and the Coast Guard Letter of Commendation.