



Captain Judd Krier, USN
OPNAV N953 Branch Head

Captain Krier is a native of Bath, Pennsylvania. A 1997 graduate of the United States Naval Academy, he earned a bachelor's degree in electrical engineering. He also holds a master's degree in engineering management from Old Dominion University.

Sea duty assignments include his initial assignment in USS VICKSBURG (CG 69) where he served as Strike Officer. In 2000, he reported to USS TRUMAN (CVN 75) as Reactor Controls Division Officer. Upon graduating Department Head School with distinction, he was assigned to USS PONCE (LPD 15) where he served as First Lieutenant, and then to USS ENTERPRISE (CVN 65) where he served as the After Station Officer. While assigned to the USS ENTERPRISE, he completed Joint Professional Military Education Phase I training through the Air Command and Staff College. From 2013-2016, Captain Krier served as both Executive Officer and Commanding Officer of USS PEARL HARBOR (LSD 52). From 2020-2023, Captain Krier served as both Executive Officer and Commanding Officer of USS IWO JIMA (LHD 7).

Ashore, Captain Krier served as an Electrical Engineering Master Instructor at the United States Naval Academy from 2002-2005. He reported to the Joint Staff in 2009, serving as a J5 Action Officer. In March 2011, he reported to OPNAV N133 where he served as the Surface Warfare Officer (Nuclear) Program Manager. From 2017-2020, he served as Commanding Officer of Nuclear Power Training Unit Ballston Spa, NY. He currently serves as the Branch Head for Amphibious Warfare on the Chief of Naval Operation staff.

His decorations include the Legion of Merit (two awards), Defense Meritorious Service Medal, Meritorious Service Medal (two awards), Navy-Marine Corps Commendation Medal (two awards), and the Navy Achievement Medal (three awards).