

ADMIRAL SAMUEL J. LOCKLEAR III '77, USN (RET.)

Admiral Locklear served 38 years as a commissioned nuclear qualified surface warrior. Leading at the highest levels he served as commander U.S. Pacific Command, commander U.S. Naval Forces Europe and Africa, commander NATO Allied Joint Forces Command, and commander Multinational Task Force Odyssey Dawn/NATO Operation Unified Protector in Libya. He commanded the Nimitz Strike Group during Operation Iraqi Freedom, Destroyer Squadron Two, and LEFTWICH (DD 984). Throughout nearly five decades he has steadfastly supported and championed the USNA mission. He served with distinction as the 1977 honor set Brigade Commander, the 19th Color Company Officer, and the 78th Commandant of Midshipmen. Following his retirement from active duty he served as a USNA Athletic & Scholarship Programs Trustee and as the chair, USNA Alumni Association Board of Trustees. Admiral Locklear resides in Milton, GA.



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