Why Should I Pursue Mk VI Early Command?

- Only the best and most-qualified officers are selected.
- This is a first-of-its-kind opportunity — not since WWII have post second-tour lieutenants been given early command.
- You will gain valuable leadership and tactical experience at the small-unit level.
- You will deploy to Bahrain and Guam.
- Once you are early-command screened, you can easily pursue PC or MCM command as a second tour department head.

Patrol Boat Heritage

Join the likes of Lieutenants John F. Kennedy, John D. Bulkeley and other legendary patrol boat skippers of World War II!
CRF Mission
Defend designated high value assets and when ordered, conduct offensive combat operations against a determined enemy throughout the maritime domain.

Coastal Combat & Combat Support
- Overt intelligence, surveillance & reconnaissance (ISR) patrols
- Surface Warfare Support
- Mine Countermeasure Operations Support
- Maritime Infrastructure Protection
- Maritime Interdiction Operations Support

Operational Environment
- Coastal green-to-blue water
- Integrated into Carrier Strike Group/Expeditionary Strike Group operations

Mk VI Patrol Boat Capabilities

Command & Control Systems
- FURUNO NAVNET 3D Navigation System
- GPS
- VHF/UHF/SATCOM
- PRC 117G/150/152
- LINK-16
- Identification Friend-or-Foe (IFF)
- Blue Force Tracker (BFT)
- Forward-Looking Infra-Red (FLIR)
- ROVER 6
- UAV/UUV - Capable

Weapons Systems
- 2 x Mk 38 MOD II/III 25 mm remotely-operated Stabilized Chain Guns
- 2 x Mk 50 .50 cal remotely-operated Stabilized Small Arms Mounts (SSAM)
- 6 x Fixed Gun Mounts for M2HB .50 cal and M240B 7.62 mm machine guns