Martin J. Brown

Director Logistics and Fleet Support
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Retired Rear Admiral Martin J. Brown serves as the Logistics and Fleet Support national competency lead for Space ad Naval Warfare Systems Command (SPAWAR) and is responsible for SPAWAR policies and procedures for installation, training, sustainment and in-service support. He assumed the position in March 2009 and advises the Program Offices and the Fleet on system readiness and availability.

The Logistics competency is comprised of more than 400 professionals working in Program Offices, Systems Centers and Headquarters.

Formally, Brown served as the Senior Procurement Executive and Deputy Assistant Secretary for Acquisition Management and Policy for the Department of Health and Human Services. He advised the Assistant Secretary for Administration and Management on business and contracting matters. He also provided procurement, logistics and travel policy and oversight to the Department.

Brown was a Rear Admiral in the Navy from 2004 - 2007 and served as the Competition Advocate General of the Navy and was the Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Navy (Acquisition Management) for the Assistant Secretary of the Navy (Research, Development and Acquisition). He provided policy and oversight for the Navy's procurement system, which comprised over 600 activities annually conducting approximately two million transactions worth more than $40 billion.

In his 30-year career as a Navy Supply Corps Officer, he served in a variety of supply, financial management, acquisition and logistics positions, including sea tours onboard the nuclear submarine *USS ANDREW JACKSON (SSBN 619)*, the submarine tender *USS MCKEE (AS 41)* and the helicopter carrier *USS TARAWA (LHA 1)*. His four contracting tours ashore included Naval Regional Contracting Center Long Beach, the Naval Air Systems Command Washington, the Navy Acquisition Business Management office, and NATO's Theater Head of Contracts in

Sarajevo, Bosnia. Other tours included the Joint Staff and Force Supply Officer for the Naval Surface Force, U.S. Pacific Fleet.

Brown is a 1977 graduate of the University of Notre Dame. In addition, he earned a master's in business in finance and public management from University of California Los Angeles' School of Management in 1986. He earned a master's degree from the Industrial College of the Armed Forces and graduated in 1994 from the Defense Acquisition University's Senior Acquisition Course. He completed executive programs at the University of North Carolina Kenan-Flagler School of Business and the University of Virginia Darden School and is DAWIA Level III certified in contracting.