

## Biography of Commodore Marie M. Scholle

### Deputy National Commodore Force Readiness & Pacific Area



Commodore Scholle joined the Auxiliary in 1997 as a member of the Fairbanks, Alaska Flotilla. In 1997, she was appointed to DSO-MS and held that position until 2002 when she was appointed to the National Staff as Division Chief, Commercial Fishing Vessel Division, Marine Safety and Environmental Protection Department. COMO Scholle was elected Commodore of Seventeenth District assuming office on January 1, 2009.

A native of Woonsocket, Rhode Island, she earned an AAS in Paraprofessional Counseling from Tanana Valley Community College; a B.A. in Criminal Justice; and a M.A. in Northern Studies History in May, 1996 from the University of Alaska, Fairbanks.

In 1976, COMO Scholle became a patrol officer for the City of Fairbanks. During her law enforcement career, she was a certified police instructor as well as a Hostage Negotiator with the Tactical Police Team. In 1988, she joined the staff at the University of Alaska Fairbanks as Environmental and Occupational Health and Safety Officer becoming a Nationally Board Certified Safety Professional in 1995. On retiring from State service, COMO Scholle accepted a position as Senior EOSH Professional for Advancia Corp/FAA. She currently serves as an Adjunct Faculty member of the University of Alaska as an instructor in Hazardous Material Management, Hazardous Waste Operations, Incident Command System – Levels 100, 200 and 300, Introduction to Occupational Health and Safety, Incident/Accident Investigation and Workplace Safety and Evaluations. In 1998, Governor Tony Knowles appointed COMO Scholle to the Alaska Advisory Council on Safety where she served three terms, one as Board Chairperson.

COMO Scholle has held every flotilla, division and district elected position. She has also held several flotilla and district staff officer positions such as Marine Safety, Publications and Personnel Services and Finance. She is qualified as Coxswain, PWC Operator, AUXOP, Instructor, Coast Guard Instructor for Incident Command System-300 level, Vessel Examiner, Commercial Fishing Vessel Examiner and Harbor Safety Specialist. In September 2004, COMO Scholle was awarded the Marine Safety Trident Device.

COMO Scholle's Auxiliary awards include the Auxiliary Award of Operational Merit, Auxiliary Commendation Award (3), Auxiliary Sustained Service Award (7), Auxiliary Commandant Letter of Commendation, Coast Guard Presidential Unit Citation, Coast Guard Unit Commendation (3), Coast Guard Meritorious Unit Commendation (2) and the Coast Guard Meritorious Team Commendation (11).

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