

Mr. Kevin Clarke, CNFJ Public Affairs Project Officer

Mr. Kevin Clarke began his career in communications and public relations as a U.S. Navy journalist after graduating from the Defense Information School, Fort Benjamin Harrison, Ind. in January 1977. He retired from the U.S. Navy as a Senior Chief Journalist in 1996.

During his 20-year Navy career, Clarke's broadcasting assignments included Keflavik, Iceland; the British Indian Ocean Territory of Diego Garcia; Sasebo, Japan; and as officer in charge of detachments in Dhahran, Saudi Arabia and Adak, Alaska. His public affairs assignments included the Navy Recruiting District Headquarters in Albany, NY and staff positions with Commander, Submarine Force U.S. Pacific Fleet, and Commander, Naval Base San Diego.

His post-retirement career has included serving as the Public Relations Manager for the U.S. Naval Institute, Annapolis, MD; Senior Public Relations Representative for Electronic Data Systems (EDS); and as an Associate with Booz Allen Hamilton.

He became a U.S. Government employee in March 2011 when he accepted his current position as Public Affairs Operations Plans and Policies officer for Commander, Navy Region Japan/U.S. Naval Forces Japan where he participates in the planning and execution of exercises and real-world operations. His duties require interaction with the Operations staff and U.S. Consulates to coordinate media availabilities, government-to-government exchanges and community relations activities for U.S. Navy ships visiting ports throughout Japan. Additionally, he serves as the public affairs project officer for major issues and events involving the U.S. Navy in Japan, such as force structure changes, Fleet Carrier Landing Practice, Defense Policy Review Initiative activities, and executing and evaluating disaster and emergency management drills and exercises.