

**Senate Commerce Committee Coast Guard Nominee Questionnaire,
119th Congress**

Instructions for the nominees: The Senate Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (the “Committee”) requests that you provide typed answers to each of the following questions. It is also requested that you type the question in full before each response. Do not leave any questions blank. Type “None” or “Not Applicable” if a question does not apply to you. Begin each section (*i.e.*, “A”, “B”, etc.) on a new sheet of paper. Electronically submit your completed questionnaire to the Committee in PDF format and ensure that sections A through E of the completed questionnaire are in a text searchable and that any hyperlinks are active and can be clicked. Section F may be scanned for electronic submission and need not be searchable.

Incomplete questionnaires may delay the nomination process.

A. BIOGRAPHICAL INFORMATION AND QUALIFICATIONS

1. Name (Include any former names or nicknames used):

Jo-Ann Feigofsky Burdian
Jo-Ann Feigofsky

2. Position to which nominated: **Vice Admiral (O-9), U.S. Coast Guard and Commander, Atlantic Area, a position of importance and responsibility per 14 U.S.C. § 305**

3. Date of Nomination: **22 October 2025**

4. Address (List current place of residence and office addresses):

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

5. Date and Place of Birth:

[REDACTED] – **New York, New York**

6. Provide the name, position, and place of employment for your spouse (if married) or domestic partner, and the names and ages of your children (including stepchildren and children by a previous marriage).

Children -



7. List all college and graduate schools attended, whether or not you were granted a degree by the institution. Provide the name of the institution, the dates attended, the degree received, and the date of the degree.

1997 – US Coast Guard Academy – Bachelor of Science in Government
2003 – Florida State University – Masters of Public Administration
2003 – Florida State University – Masters Certificate – Government Financial Management
2023 – Harvard Kennedy School Executive Education – General and Flag Officer Homeland Security Seminar

8. List all post-undergraduate employment, including the job title, name of employer, and inclusive dates of employment, and highlight all management-level jobs held and any non-managerial jobs that relate to the position for which you are nominated.

I have served on Active Duty as a Coast Guard Officer since 1997. Please see my official biography and chronology of work history for detailed information.

9. Attach a copy of your resume.

My official Coast Guard biography and chronology of work history are attached.

10. List any advisory, consultative, honorary, or other part-time service or positions with Federal, State, or local governments, other than those listed above after 18 years of age.

None.

11. List all positions held as an officer, director, trustee, partner, proprietor, agent, representative, or consultant of any corporation, company, firm, partnership, or other business, enterprise, educational, or other institution.

None.

12. Please list each membership you have had after 18 years of age or currently hold with any civic, social, charitable, educational, political, professional, fraternal, benevolent or religiously affiliated organization, private club, or other membership organization. (For this question, you do not have to list your religious affiliation or membership in a religious house of worship or institution). Include dates of membership and any positions you have held with any organization. Please note whether any such club or organization restricts membership on the basis of sex, race, color, religion, national origin, age, or disability.

U.S. Coast Guard Academy Alumni Association – 1997 to present.

National Naval Officers Association – 2022-2023

Association of Naval Services Officers – Lifetime Member since 2023

Surface Navy Association – 2022-24

None of these organizations restricts membership on the basis of sex, race, color, religion, national origin, age, or disability.

13. Have you ever been a candidate for and/or held a public office (elected, non-elected, or appointed)? If so, indicate whether any campaign has any outstanding debt, the amount, and whether you are personally liable for that debt.

No.

14. List all memberships and offices held with and services rendered to, whether compensated or not, any political party or election committee within the past ten years. If you have held a paid position or served in a formal or official advisory position (whether compensated or not) in a political campaign within the past ten years, identify the particulars of the campaign, including the candidate, year of the campaign, and your title and responsibilities.

None.

15. Itemize all political contributions to any individual, campaign organization, political party, political action committee, or similar entity of \$200 or more for the past ten years.

None.

16. List all scholarships, fellowships, honorary degrees, honorary society memberships, military medals, and any other special recognition for outstanding service or achievements.

Defense Superior Service Medal

Legion of Merit

Defense Meritorious Service Medal

Coast Guard Meritorious Service Medal

Coast Guard Commendation Medal

Coast Guard Achievement Medal

Presidential Service Badge

Joint Chiefs Service Badge

Honorary Chief Petty Officer

2024 Latina Style Trailblazer Award Winner

2021 Latina Style Distinguished Military Service Award Winner

2020 Broward Education Foundation Hall of Fame

17. List each book, article, column, letter to the editor, Internet blog posting, or other publication you have authored, individually or with others. Include a link to each publication when possible. If a link is not available, provide a digital copy of the publication when available.

Latina Style Magazine –

Punto Final: The Power of Performance

<https://magazine.latinastyle.com/punto-final-the-power-of-performance/>

18. List all speeches, panel discussions, and presentations (e.g., PowerPoint) that you have given on topics relevant to the position for which you have been nominated. Include a link to each publication when possible. If a link is not available, provide a digital copy of the speech or presentation when available.

6/2-6/4/2025: Trilateral Engagement between JIATFS, Dutch Command Task Group 4.4, and French Command Task Group 4.6 (Attached)

4/9/2025: Central American Security Conference – Opening Remarks and JIATFS overview; Panama City, PN (Link or digital copy not available)

9/20/2024: Hearing before the Senate Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation Subcommittee on Oceans, Fisheries, Climate Change, and Manufacturing — Coast Guard Drug Interdiction and Enforcement in the Marine Environment; Washington, DC. (Attached)

9/20/2024: Latina Style Magazine Annual Military Service Awards — Trailblazer Award Acceptance; Washington, DC. (Link or digital copy not available)

8/26/2024: Caribbean Air Chiefs Conference – Detection and Monitoring of Air Narcotics Tracks, and Information Sharing at Joint Interagency Task Force South; Tucson, AZ. (Attached)

8/12/2024: Drug Enforcement Administration International Drug Enforcement Conference — Global Maritime Interdiction; Athens, Greece. (Attached)

7/13-/7/16/2024: Key Leader Engagements in Bogota, Malaga, Tumaco, Turbo, and Cartagena, Colombia. Multiple public remarks in English and Spanish to military audiences. (Link or digital copy not available)

4/10/2024: Sea Air Space 2024 – Coast Guard Breakfast: Workforce and Mission Readiness; Oxon Hill, MD (Link or digital copy not available)

4/8/2024: Sea Air Space 2024 – An Integrated Strategy to Combat Illegal, Unregulated, Unreported Fishing; Oxon Hill, MD (Link or digital copy not available)

11/14/2023: Congressional Hearing “Guardians of the Sea: Examining Coast Guard Efforts in Drug Enforcement, Illegal Migration, and IUU Fishing” before the House Committee on Transportation Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation [Guardians of the Sea: Examining Coast Guard Efforts in Drug Enforcement, Illegal Migration, and IUU Fishing | Transportation and Infrastructure Committee \(house.gov\)](#)

10/24/2023: Daniel K. Inouye Asia Pacific Center for Security Studies – Coast Guard, Marine Environmental Response, and C-IUU Fishing to the Comprehensive Security Cooperation Course; Honolulu, HI. (Link or digital copy not available)

10/23/2023: Opening Speech — Ribbon Cutting for USCG Marine Environmental Response and Maritime Law Enforcement Centers of Expertise; Honolulu, HI (Link or digital copy not available)

10/18/2023: Global Cooperation and Training Framework – Maritime Disaster Response; Taipei, Taiwan (Link or digital copy not available)

10/05/2023: Center for Maritime Strategy – Countering Illegal, Unreported, and Unregulated Fishing; Arlington, VA (Link or digital copy not available)

10/4/2023: C-IUUF Wargame at the Center for Naval Analysis (Link or digital copy not available)

09/15/2023: Artic Search and Rescue Conference – Policy on Future Needs for Innovations and Knowledge; Reykjavik, Iceland (Link or digital copy not available)

08/17/2023: Global Maritime Operational Threat Response Wargame – Countering Illegal, Unreported, and Unregulated Fishing; Carlisle, PA (Attached)

07/18/2023: Atlantic Partnership Seminar – Maritime Threats, Crimes, and Vulnerabilities; Lisbon, Portugal (Link or digital copy not available)

06/29/2023: Joint Women’s Leadership Symposium – Leadership Panel, State of the Coast Guard; San Diego, CA (Link or digital copy not available)

06/13/2023: LA/LB Women’s Leadership Initiative – Family in the Coast Guard; Virtual (Link or digital copy not available)

06/05/2023: ANSO – General/Flag Officer Leadership Panel Moderator; Norfolk, VA (Link or digital copy not available)

04/14/2023: Jacksonville Women’s Leadership Initiative – Empowering Each Other Through Shared Experiences; Jacksonville, FL (Link or digital copy not available)

03/23/2023: Congressional Hearing – Witness Testimony on Securing America’s Maritime Border; Washington, DC
<https://homeland.house.gov/tomorrow-at-2pm-subcommittee-chair-gimenez-to-hold-hearing-on-securing-americas-maritime-border/>

03/08/2023: D17 Women’s Leadership Initiative – Rising Together; Juneau, AK (Link or digital copy not available)

03/02-03/2023 – Our Ocean Conference – Multiple Speaking Engagements throughout conference (Links or digital copies not available)

01/18/2023: CSIS, Ocean Security Forum 2023 – Remarks on Maritime SAFE Act Interagency Workgroup; Washington, DC (Link or digital copy not available)

12/07/2022: ANSO – Flag Leadership Panel Participant; San Diego, CA (Link or digital copy not available)

12/01/2022: American Salvage Association – Update from the Office of Response Policy; New Orleans, LA (Link or digital copy not available)

09/13/2022: American Salvage Association, Quality Partnership Meeting – Opening Remarks; Virtual (Link or digital copy not available)

08/19/2022: Veterans Institute Summit – Panel: Creating a Culture of Support; Orlando, FL (Link or digital copy not available)

07/26/2022: NNOA National Symposium – Joint Panel: Forging into the Future: Naval Integration and Operational Design; Annapolis, MD (Link or digital copy not available)

In addition to the above, I am routinely called to provide remarks internally to Coast Guard audiences for events such as Retirements, Promotions, Change of Command Ceremonies, All Hands and other workforce related activities.

19. List all public statements you have made during the past ten years, including statements in news articles and radio and podcasts and television appearances, which are on topics relevant to the position for which you have been nominated, including dates. Include a link to each statement when possible. If a link is not available, provide a digital copy of the statement when available.

July 2025 – SOUTHCOM *Diálogo* video regarding Joint Interagency Task Force South, [JIATF-Sur: Un “equipo de equipos” que combate al tráfico ilícito - Diálogo Américas](#)

January 2024 – Joint Statement with NOAA and DOS regarding Human Rights Abuses in Illegal, Unregulated, Unreported Fishing. (Link or digital copy not available)

March 2020 – Multiple News articles related to the evacuation of passengers and crew members during the suspension of cruise operations due to the COVID-19 global pandemic. (Links or digital copies not available)

January 2021 - <https://www.newpelican.com/articles/in-a-time-of-pandemic-coast-guard-captain-is-grateful-to-serve/>

February 2021 – Multiple News articles related to 6 migrants missing in the maritime domain <https://www.yahoo.com/news/16-people-missing-off-fla-195304022.html>

January 2022 – Multiple News articles related to 38 migrants missing in the maritime domain

Example:

<https://www.pbs.org/newshour/nation/38-still-missing-off-flordia-coast-as-situation-grows-dire-coast-guard-says>

20. List all digital platforms (including social media and other digital content sites) on which you currently or have formerly operated an account, regardless of whether or not the account was held in your name or an alias. Include the full name of an “alias” or “handle,” including the complete URL and username with hyperlinks, you have used on each of the named platforms. Indicate whether the account is active, deleted, or dormant. Include a link to each account if possible.

FaceBook – Jo-Ann Burdian – active

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Instagram – jo_burdian – active

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21. Please identify each instance in which you have testified orally or in writing before Congress in a governmental or non-governmental capacity and specify the date and subject matter of each testimony.

September 20, 2024 — Senate Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation Subcommittee on Oceans, Fisheries, Climate Change, and Manufacturing — Coast Guard Drug Interdiction and Enforcement in the Marine Environment.

November 14, 2023 — House Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation – Guardians of the Sea: Examining Coast Guard Efforts in Drug Enforcement, Illegal Migration, and IUU Fishing.

March 23, 2023 – House Committee on Homeland Security Subcommittee on Transportation and Maritime Security — Securing America’s Maritime Border: Challenges and Solutions.

22. Given the current mission, major programs, and major operational objectives of the Coast Guard, what in your background or employment experience do you believe affirmatively qualifies you for appointment to the position for which you have been nominated, and why do you wish to serve in that position

I am grateful to continue to serve in the Coast Guard as a Flag Officer. Serving as Director of Joint Interagency Task Force South, an assignment that is removed from Coast Guard command and control functions, deepened my appreciation for the breadth of the Service’s impact and the immense talent of our Coast Guard workforce. This assignment expanded my relationships and ability to operate at the highest echelons of interagency, international, and Department of War (DOW) leadership. If confirmed, those skills and relationships will be critical to my Command of the Coast Guard Atlantic Area, to secure and defend the Homeland while reorienting a 25,000-member workforce toward support for DOW as we continue to compete to avoid conflict. Renewed focus on the Coast Guard’s enduring missions to control the maritime border and approaches, facilitate maritime commerce,

while preparing for and responding in crisis, redoubles the need for strong relationships and broad experience across agencies.

My previous Flag assignment overseeing global strategy policy for the eight Coast Guard Response Missions reinforced my admiration for the Coast Guard workforce, and enhanced my appreciation for our interagency partners, and, internationally, our Allies and Partners. It also revealed the need for decisive executive leaders who are committed to listen, learn, and adjust organization, training, and policy in response to the concerns of the crews who execute Coast Guard Missions.

Command, at any level, is the greatest privilege -and most sacred responsibility – of Military Service. I am honored to be considered for Command of the Coast Guard Atlantic Area.

23. What do you believe are your responsibilities, if confirmed, to ensure that the Coast Guard has proper management and accounting controls, and what experience do you have in managing a large organization?

It is my responsibility as a Flag Officer to scrutinize resource utilization and to continue to improve controls to promote efficiency and reduce waste.

If confirmed I will continue to be a steward of the Coast Guard’s human, financial, and capital resources. I will use my extensive experience supporting Coast Guard budget requests on Capitol Hill, and my experience leading Coast Guard operations, programs, and personnel to guide me in my decision-making.

24. What do you believe to be the top three challenges facing the Coast Guard, and why?

Balancing Strategic Priorities. The Coast Guard is central to the Department of Homeland Security mission to secure the border and deter threats. No organization is better positioned to secure the maritime approaches to the United States, and its territories, than the Coast Guard. At the same time, Coast Guard operations in the Indo-Pacific, the Arctic, and around the globe have never been more critical to successfully maintaining the global rules-based order.

The People’s Republic of China continues to challenge rules-based norms in the global maritime commons. They threaten natural resources, democratic norms, economic prosperity, and the resilience of our world’s oceans. The Coast Guard’s ability to project governance and provide support to create partner capacity around the world is a cornerstone of our ability as a nation to compete in the maritime domain. As Coast Guard resources are allocated to support strategic priorities around the globe, we must balance our domestic and expeditionary roles, understanding the strain we place on assets, crews, families, and fiscal resources.

Secure communications. For the first time in eighty years, adversaries can challenge American safety and security in our homeland. Whether a potential future attack is in the physical or cyber domains, or is attributed to a State or Non-State actor, the Coast Guard is principally responsible for safety, security, and prosperity of our Nation’s Ports and Waterways. While there have been tremendous advancements in Coast Guard cyber capabilities, and improvements to the organizational structure at Headquarters to support commitments to theDOW, most field commanders are unable to immediately access secure networks and communications tools in the event of a contingency.

In 2005, the response to Hurricane KATRINA revealed the need to orient every Coast Guard member toward the common language of contingency response – the Incident Command System – today, we must orient every Coast Guard member toward the language, and tools, of response to security threats. Every Sector, District, and Area Commander must have persistent, mobile, access to secure communications and networks to fully enable joint operations with Interagency and DOW counterparts.

Mental Health and Medical Care. Coast Guard personnel continue to face challenges regarding mental health and emotional hygiene. Personnel who sustain operational or personal trauma are left vulnerable to significant negative outcomes — including self-harm, depression, and alcohol abuse. Despite our longstanding acknowledgment of these issues and potential outcomes, mental health has not been prioritized or normalized as an important component of individual medical readiness. This gap in policy, culture, and clinical care leaves servicemembers virtually unsupported in addressing the long-lasting psychological and emotional impacts of their service. Additionally, Coast Guard personnel who serve in Deployable Specialized Forces or Boat Forces may be at risk for undiagnosed Traumatic

Brain Injuries, challenging their resilience and creating further challenges to mental health.

The Coast Guard must develop and execute a holistic, multidisciplinary approach to mental health care that prioritizes prevention, promotes privacy and dignity, and assures comprehensive treatment and continuity of care. We should integrate the very best practices in civilian mental health and, wherever possible, leverage the expertise and resources of our sister Services to rapidly enhance and continuously improve the mental health resources we provide to Coast Guard personnel. Moreover, we must communicate mental health and emotional resilience as Service priorities, to remove the longstanding stigma of seeking support.

B. POTENTIAL CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

1. Describe all financial arrangements, deferred compensation agreements, and other continuing dealings with business associates, clients, or customers. Please include information related to retirement accounts, such as a 401(k) or pension plan.

Please see my nominee PFDR.

2. Do you have any commitments or agreements, formal or informal, to maintain employment, affiliation, or practice with any business, association, or other organization during your appointment? If so, please explain.

None.

3. Indicate any investments, obligations, liabilities, or other relationships which could involve potential conflicts of interest in the position to which you have been nominated. Explain how you will resolve each potential conflict of interest.

None. Please see my nominee PFDR. If any conflicts of interest or potential conflicts of interest arise, I will obtain advice from a Coast Guard ethics official and follow that advice.

4. Describe any business relationship, dealing, or financial transaction which you have had during the last ten years, whether for yourself, on behalf of a client, or acting as an agent, that could in any way constitute or result in a possible conflict of interest in the position to which you have been nominated. Explain how you will resolve each potential conflict of interest.

None. If any conflicts of interest or potential conflicts of interest arise, I will obtain advice from a Coast Guard ethics official and follow that advice.

5. Identify any other potential conflicts of interest, and explain how you will resolve each potential conflict of interest.

None. If any conflicts of interest or potential conflicts of interest arise, I will obtain advice from a Coast Guard ethics official and follow that advice.

6. Describe any activity during the past ten years, including the names of clients represented, in which you have been engaged for the purpose of directly or indirectly influencing the passage, defeat, or modification of any legislation or affecting the administration and execution of law or public policy.

In relation to my nomination to Rear Admiral, I previously reported that from 2014-2017, I was assigned as the Coast Guard Liaison to the U.S. House of Representatives in the Coast Guard's Congressional and Governmental Affairs Office. In this role, my duties included: coordinating engagements with Congressional members and staffs to provide timely, accurate, and detailed information regarding the Service and its missions; justifying and defending the President's annual budget request for the Coast Guard; preparing Coast Guard witnesses for Congressional testimony, and advocating for Coast Guard and Administration's position for pending legislation. These interactions provided Congressional members and staffs the information needed to draft and pass a variety of legislation during this time period.

C. LEGAL MATTERS

1. Have you ever been disciplined or cited for a breach of ethics, professional misconduct, or retaliation by, or been the subject of a complaint to, any court, administrative agency, an Inspector General, the Office of Special Counsel, professional association, disciplinary committee, or other professional group? If yes:

- a. Provide the name of court, agency, association, committee, or group;
- b. Provide the date the citation, disciplinary action, complaint, or personnel action was issued or initiated;
- c. Describe the citation, disciplinary action, complaint, or personnel action;
- d. Provide the results of the citation, disciplinary action, complaint, or personnel action.

No.

2. Have you ever been investigated, arrested, charged, or held by any Federal, State, or other law enforcement authority of any Federal, State, county, or municipal entity, other than for a minor traffic offense? If so, please explain.

No.

3. Have you or any business or nonprofit of which you are or were an officer ever been involved as a party in an administrative agency proceeding, criminal proceeding, or civil litigation? If so, please explain.

Yes, as previously reported, in June 2018 I initiated eviction action against the tenants who were occupying our family home in Jacksonville, FL. The action was initiated for non-payment of rent.

4. Have you ever been convicted (including pleas of guilty or *nolo contendere*) of any criminal violation other than a minor traffic offense? If so, please explain.

No.

5. Have you ever been accused, formally or informally, of sexual harassment or discrimination on the basis of race, color, national origin, religion, sex (including gender identity, sexual orientation, and pregnancy), age, disability, genetic information, marital status, parental status, political affiliation,

engagement in a protected Equal Employment Opportunity/Equal Opportunity (EEO/EO) activity, whistleblower activity, or any other basis? If so, please explain.

I have no new information to report that was not previously disclosed in my Rear Admiral (lower half) (O7) or Rear Admiral (O8) Questionnaires.

I reported that in August 2020, I was the second line supervisor for a civilian employee who made two claims of discrimination against me based on National origins, age, disability, and reprisal. I participated fully with the investigation into the claims. Both cases were settled through a global settlement agreement without a finding of fault against me or the Coast Guard. The civilian employee also made allegations against me to my superior commander in August 2020. Those allegations were investigated and found to be unsubstantiated. The matter is closed.

6. If you have ever served as a general court-martial convening authority involving sexual misconduct or assault, have you ever disapproved the findings of a court-martial related to the offense(s) or reduced the sentence adjudged by a court-martial, other than in connection with a pre-trial agreement?

I have never served as a general court-martial convening authority involving sexual misconduct or assault.

7. Please advise the Committee of any additional information, favorable or unfavorable, which you feel should be disclosed in connection with your nomination.

None.

D. RELATIONSHIP WITH COMMITTEE

1. Will you ensure that your department/agency complies with deadlines for information set by congressional committees, and that your department/agency endeavors to timely comply with requests for information from individual Members of Congress, including requests from members in the minority?

Yes.

2. Will you ensure that your department/agency does whatever it can to protect congressional witnesses and whistleblowers from reprisal for their testimony and disclosures?

Yes.

3. Will you cooperate in providing the Committee with requested witnesses, including technical experts and career employees, with firsthand knowledge of matters of interest to the Committee?

Yes.

4. Are you willing to appear and testify before any duly constituted committee of the Congress on such occasions as you may be reasonably requested to do so?

Yes.

5. Do you agree, if confirmed, to keep this Committee, its subcommittees, other appropriate Committees of Congress, and their respective staffs apprised of new information that materially impacts the accuracy of testimony, briefings, reports, records—including documents and electronic communications, and other information you or your organization previously provided?

Yes.

6. Do you agree, if confirmed, and on request, to provide this Committee and its subcommittees with records and other information within their oversight jurisdiction, even absent a formal Committee request?

Yes.

7. Do you agree, if confirmed, to ensure that you and other members of your organization protect from retaliation any military member, federal employee, or contractor employee who testifies before, or communicates with this Committee, its subcommittees, and any other appropriate committee of Congress?

Yes.

F. AFFIDAVIT

Jo-Ann F. BARDIAN being duly sworn, hereby states that he/she has read and signed the foregoing Statement on Biographical and Financial Information and that the information provided therein is, to the best of his/her knowledge, current, accurate, and complete.

Jo-Ann F. Barden, RADM
Signature of Nominee

Subscribed and sworn before me this 5th day of Nov, 2025.

Andrew D. Gillespie
Notary Public



District of Columbia
Signed and sworn to (or affirmed) before me
on 11-5-2025 by Jo Ann F. Barden
Date Name(s) of individual(s) making Statement
Andrew D. Gillespie
Signature of Notarial Officer
Office of General Law
Title of Office
My commission expires: January 31st, 2028



Rear Admiral Jo-Ann F. Burdian
U.S. Coast Guard

Rear Admiral Jo-Ann Burdian is currently assigned to U.S. Coast Guard Headquarters as the Senior Advisor to the Commandant, responsible for the implementation of several Force Design 2028 strategic initiatives.

Most recently, she completed a successful tour as the Director of Joint Interagency Task Force South in Key West, Florida where she led joint multinational and interagency detection and monitoring operations throughout the Task Force's 42 million square nautical mile joint operating area. Her efforts leveraged the capability and resources of five of the six U.S. Armed Services, 14 federal interagency partners, and 20 Allies and Partner Nations, which enabled the interdiction of illicit narcotics, saving lives and securing and defending the U.S. Border and maritime approaches.

Previously, she served as the Coast Guard Assistant Commandant for Response Policy, overseeing the development of strategic response doctrine and policy guidance for all Coast Guard forces across eight of the eleven Coast Guard statutory missions to include maritime law enforcement, search and rescue, maritime security, counterterrorism, defense operations, marine environmental response, emergency management, and disaster response.

Rear Admiral Burdian is a Coast Guard Permanent Cutterman and Honorary Chief whose previous operational assignments include Commander, Sector Miami in Miami Beach, Florida; Chief of Response, Sector Puget Sound in Seattle, Washington; Command Center Chief, Sector Miami in

Miami Beach, FL; Commanding Officer, USCGC *Key Biscayne* in St. Petersburg, Florida; and Executive Officer, USCGC *Attu* in San Juan, Puerto Rico. She began her career as First Lieutenant, onboard the USCGC *Courageous*, in Panama City, Florida. Her staff assignments include special assignment as a Coast Guard Liaison to the U.S. House of Representatives in Washington, DC where she managed the Coast Guard's Congressional engagements, advised service leadership, and advocated for multi-billion-dollar acquisition programs and legislation; and, a Senior Duty Officer in the White House Situation Room providing support to the President, National Security Council, and other senior government officials.

Rear Admiral Burdian utilized the Coast Guard Temporary Separation program to care for her sons while continuing to serve as a Selected Reserve Officer at Sector St. Petersburg, Florida.

Originally from Queens, New York, Rear Admiral Burdian is a 1997 graduate of the U.S. Coast Guard Academy where she earned a Bachelor of Science in Government. She holds a Master of Public Administration from Florida State University. Rear Admiral Burdian has been awarded numerous personal, unit, campaign, and service awards.

REAR ADMIRAL Jo-Ann F. Burdian

Current Assignment

Jul 2025 – Present Senior Advisor to the Commandant, RADM

Assignment History

Jun 24 – July 25 Director, Joint Interagency Task Force South, RADM
May 22 – May 24 CG-5R, Assistant Commandant for Response Policy, RDML
May 19 – May 22 USCG Sector Miami, Sector Commander, CAPT
Jul 17 – May 19 USCG Sector Puget Sound, Response Chief, CDR
Jul 14 – Jun 17 CG-0921, U.S. House of Representatives Liaison, CDR
Dec 13 – Jul 14 SAPR Military Campaign Office, Victim Response and Recovery Care Committee Chair, CDR
Jul 12 – Dec 13 Florida State University, Duty Under Instruction, LCDR/CDR
Jun 10 – Jun 12 USCG Sector Miami, Sector Commander Center Chief, LCDR
Jun 08 – Jun 10 USCG Sector St. Petersburg, SELRES Duty, LCDR (USCGR)
Jul 06 – May 08 White House Situation Room, Senior Duty Officer, LCDR
Jul 04 – Jun 06 USCGC KEY BISCAYNE, Commanding Officer, LT
Jul 01 – Jun 04 CG-0921, Assistant House of Representatives Liaison, LTJG/LT
Jun 99 – Jun 01 USCGC ATTU, Executive Officer, LTJG
Jun 97 – Jun 99 USCGC COURAGEOUS, First Lieutenant, ENS/LTJG

Educational Summary

2012 – 2013 Florida State University, Masters of Public Administration
2012 – 2013 Florida State University, Masters Certificate in Government Financial Management
1993 – 1997 United States Coast Guard Academy, Bachelor of Science in Government

Military Personal Awards and Significant National Recognition or Achievement

2025 Defense Superior Service Medal
2024 Legion of Merit
2024 Latina Style Trailblazer Award
2022 Meritorious Service Medal w/Operational Distinguishing Device
2021 Latina Style Military Service Award
2020 Honorary Chief Petty Officer
2019 Meritorious Service Medal w/Operational Distinguishing Device
2017 Meritorious Service Medal
2012 Commendation Medal w/Operational Distinguishing Device
2010 Achievement Medal
2008 Defense Meritorious Service Medal
2006 Commendation Medal w/Operational Distinguishing Device
2004 Commendation Medal
2001 Achievement Medal w/Operational Distinguishing Device
1999 Achievement Medal w/Operational Distinguishing Device

Significant Current Professional Credentials or Recent Activities

Co-Chair, Maritime SAFE Act Interagency Working Group 2022-24

Co-Chair, National Fleet Board 2022-24

NIMS Type 3 Incident Commander

Search and Rescue Mission Coordinator and Active Search Suspended (ACTUS) certified

Permanent Cutterman