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Biography: Mr. David M. Wennergren serves as the Department of the Navy Chief Information Officer (DON CIO). Reporting directly to the Secretary of the Navy, he provides top-level advocacy in the development and use of information management/information technology (IM/IT) and creation of a unified IM/IT vision for the Navy – Marine Corps team. He develops strategies, policies, plans, architectures, standards, guidance, and provides process reinvention support for the entire Department of the Navy. Additionally, he ensures that the development and acquisition of IT systems are interoperable and consistent with the Department's vision. Mr. Wennergren is the Department's eGovernment and Knowledge Management champion, serves as the IM/IT workforce leader, addresses emerging technologies and issues, ensures the availability, integrity and protection of the Department's information systems, and serves as the Department's Critical Infrastructure Assurance Officer (CIAO).

In addition to his duties as CIO, Mr. Wennergren is the Chair of the Department of Defense Identity Management Senior Coordinating Group, which provides senior oversight and coordination of biometric, smart card, and PKI initiatives across the entire Department of Defense. He also serves as the co-chair of the Federal CIO Council Best Practices Committee.

Mr. Wennergren received his B.A. in Communications/Public Relations from Mansfield State University. He was a recipient of a Secretary of the Navy Civilian Fellowship in Financial Management, culminating in a Masters degree in Public Sector Financial Management from the University of Maryland's School of Public Affairs. He has received both the Department of the Navy Superior and Meritorious Civilian Service Awards, and the Office of the Secretary of Defense Exceptional Civilian Service Award. He is also honored to have worked in two organizations, including DON CIO, that were awarded the Department of the Navy Meritorious Unit Commendation.