

H. Lawrence Garrett, III
Former Secretary of the Navy

Date of Designation: NFO - 24 April 1964

Dates of Active Duty: 30 October 1961-1 November 1981

Total Flight Hours: 1,750

Carrier/Ship Landings: Fixed wing: 4 Rotary: 20 approx.

Approximate Flight Hours: VR/VP: 1,539 VT: 211

## Combat Tours:

Vietnam: VP-50, July 1965 - March 1966 (P3) Vietnam: VP-50, July 1966 - March 1967 (P3)

## **Aviation Commands:**

Secretary of the United States Navy, 15 May 1989 - 26 June 1992

## Combat Awards:

2 Air Medals

## **Summary of Significant Career Events**

H. Lawrence Garrett III is a long time staunch supporter of naval aviation and the naval service. He enlisted in the U.S. Navy in October 1961 and served as a Machinist Mate. He entered flight training and was designated an NFO and commissioned in April 1964.

He served two tours in patrol squadrons in Southeast Asia during the Vietnam War. In February 1981, he was detailed to the White House to serve as Assistant Counsel in the Office of Council to the President of the United States. He retired from the Navy in 1981.

He served in numerous executive positions in industry before returning to the White House as Associate Council to President Reagan.

From 1986 to August 1987, he served as General Counsel of the Department of Defense and as the Under Secretary of the Navy from August 1987 until April 1989

In May 1989, he became Secretary of the Navy. Among other important duties as SECNAV during Desert Shield and Desert Storm, he had the ultimate responsibility within the Department of the Navy for the mobilization, equipping, training, deployment and combat employment of the Navy and Marine Corps aviation resources throughout the highly successful execution of the campaign to restore sovereignty of Kuwait.

For the past fifteen years, Secretary Garrett has been a very active supporter of the Naval Aviation Museum and the Naval Aviation Museum Foundation. He is a long time member of the Aviation Museum Board of Trustees, contributing his time, valuable resources and sage advice and counsel to the overall success of the institution.

Mr. Garrett retired as an Executive Vice President of Rolls-Royce North America and was formerly a partner in the Washington law firm of Lipsen, Hamberger, and Garrett.