

Rear Admiral Ann C. Phillips, US Navy (Ret.)
Administrator, Maritime Administration
U.S. Department of Transportation



Rear Admiral Ann C. Phillips, US Navy (Ret.) was sworn in as the 20th Administrator for the Department of Transportation Maritime Administration on May 16, 2022.

As head of the Maritime Administration, Phillips advises and assists the Secretary of Transportation on commercial maritime matters, to include the movement of goods, supply chain, as well as the U.S. maritime industry, environment and compliance, ports and waterways infrastructure, and strategic sealift. She engages public and private stakeholders in the maritime industry and oversees the U.S Merchant Marine Academy.

Prior to this appointment, Phillips served as the first Special Assistant to the Governor of Virginia for Coastal Adaptation and Protection, where she built a collaborative, whole of government and community approach to address the impact of coastal flooding across the Commonwealth, including the development of Virginia's first Coastal Resilience Master Plan.

Phillips served nearly 31 years on active duty as a Surface Warfare Officer. She holds a Master of Business Administration from The College of William & Mary – Raymond A. Mason School of Business, and a B.A. from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.