



CAPT A. Velazquez-Suarez
Commanding Officer

Captain F.A. Velazquez-Suarez was born in Penueles, Puerto Rico. He attended the University of Puerto Rico until his appointment to the U.S. Naval Academy in 1949.

Commissioned in 1953, Captain Velazquez-Suarez spent his next years at sea on the USS Cavalier (APA 37); the USS Beale (DDE 471).

In 1959, Captain Velazquez-Suarez reported for duty as ASW Exchange Instructor and Liason Officer with the Royal British Navy at HMS Vernon, Portsmouth, England. Then spent a tour as the COMDESRON THIRTY-SIX Operations Officer. Next, Captain Velazquez-Suarez was Executive Officer of the USS Leary (DD 879).

In the summer of 1964, Captain Velazquez-Suarez reported to the Office of the Chief of Naval Operations as a member of the Technical Appraisals Division. This assignment was followed by command of the USS Hooper (DE 1026). He attended the Armed Forces Staff College in Norfolk, Virginia and then served as Operations and Plans Officer, Commander, South Atlantic Force, Atlantic.

Captain Velazquez-Suarez had command of the USS Reasoner (DE 1063) from 1971 to 1973 before duty with Commander Cruiser-Destroyer Force, U.S. Pacific Fleet. Next, Captain Velazquez-Suarez received orders to the staff, Commander Carrier Group THREE in Alameda, California.

Captain Velazquez-Suarez was the Director of the Tactical Training Department, ASW Training Center, from July 1974 to 1975 before selection as the Chief, U.S. Navy Mission, Argentina. In April, 1979, Captain Velazquez-Suarez took command of Yosemite.



CDR J. Lindsay
Executive Officer

Commander James H. Lindsay, Jr., was born in Chester, South Carolina. He was appointed to the U.S. Naval Academy in 1958 and received his commission as Ensign upon graduation in 1962.

Commander Lindsay initially served aboard the USS Dyess (DDR 880) as Communications Officer from July, 1962 to December, 1963. Other ships he has served on include the USS Perry (DD 884) and USS Little Rock (CG 4). He served as Weapons Officer on both of them.

Commander Lindsay attended the Navy Destroyers School in 1964. He also attended the Navy Post Graduate College at Monterey from August, 1966 to December, 1969 and the Defense System Management School from January to June, 1972.

Commander Lindsay's other duties have included a year as staff assistant of the Commander, Cruiser Destroyer Flotilla Eight in 1971; a tour as a member of the Combat Systems Advisory group of the Navy Ordnance System Command Headquarters from July, 1972 to August, 1974; and a tour as a DDG-2 Upgrade Combat Systems engineer with the Navy Sea System Command Headquarters in Washington from October, 1976 to February, 1978.

He reported for his present duty as Executive Officer of the USS Yosemite in June, 1978.