

**Lieutenant Commander Sarah E. Brennan**  
United States Coast Guard

**Deputy, Safety and Security Operations**  
**Coast Guard Sector New York**



Lieutenant Commander Sarah E. Brennan serves as the Deputy of Safety and Security Operations, where she is in charge of Port State Control, regulated waterfront facilities, and containers. She is also the Cyber Security Liaison for Sector New York.

LCDR Brennan was raised in Denver, Colorado and graduated from Texas A&M University at Galveston in 2003 with a degree in Ocean and Coastal Resources. She earned her commission the summer of 2004 from Officer Candidate School and was assigned to the Coast Guard Cutter VIGOROUS and then served one year in the Persian Gulf as Executive Officer of the CGC ADAK.

After completing two tours afloat, LCDR Brennan sought a different career path in Marine Safety, and was assigned to Sector Houston-Galveston as the Chief of Facility Inspections. There she became a fully qualified facility inspector and earned foreign vessel inspection qualifications. Her next assignment was to Marine Safety Unit, Houma, Louisiana where she stood up the first ever Investigations division to reside at that unit. LCDR Brennan became a fully qualified Investigating Officer and led several significant marine casualty investigations. It was here in Houma that she also earned a master's degree in Environmental Policy and Management from American Military University.

In 2010, LCDR Brennan was selected for one-year of industry training which she completed at the Bureau of Safety and Environmental Enforcement (BSEE). At BSEE she served as a liaison and helped to facilitate communications between the two organizations while also aiding in developing BSEE national investigations policy. Next she completed one year at the Suspension & Revocation National Center of Expertise where she was selected to serve as Executive Assistant to the Director of Inspections and Compliance at Coast Guard Headquarters.

Her personal awards include the Meritorious Service Medal, the Coast Guard Commendation Medal, the Coast Guard Achievement Medal, and Commandant's Letter of Commendation.

Her husband Devon is also a commissioned officer in the Coast Guard, and they have one son.