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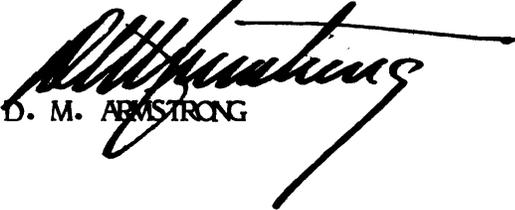
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Encl: (1) Command History of USS DE WERT (FFG 45) for Calendar Year 1983.
(2) Plankowners Roster, USS DE WERT (FFG 45)

1. Enclosures (1) and (2) are forwarded in accordance with reference (a).


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USS DE WERT (FFG 45) Command History for Calendar Year 1983

1. Narrative:

DE WERT was launched 18 December 1982 in ceremonies at Bath Iron Works, Bath, Maine. The Sponsor was Mrs. Reta C. Kennedy of Mesa, Arizona, cousin of the ship's namesake. Her sister-in-law, Mrs. Elizabeth Lazon of Braintree, Massachusetts, served as Matron of Honor.

The ship was named for Hospitalman Richard De Wert of Taunton, Massachusetts, who received the Medal of Honor for action while assigned to Marine Corps forces in Korea during 1951. Despite his own wounds, he gallantly attempted to assist four wounded comrades before he was killed by enemy fire. DE WERT is the first ship to bear his name.

Pre-Commissioning Unit DE WERT (FFG 45) was established in April 1983 at Fleet Training Center, Norfolk, Virginia. At that site, the balance crew received over 10,000 man-days of classroom training in preparation for commissioning. Concurrently, Prospective Commanding Officer DE WERT (FFG 45) established offices at the FFG 7 Class Fleet Introduction Team, Bath, Maine, where nucleus crewmembers received classroom training and ship familiarization.

Pre-Commissioning Unit DE WERT was disestablished 31 October 1983, and reported to PCO DE WERT on 4 November 1983, when the entire crew moved aboard the ship.

DE WERT conducted Builders Trials under the auspices of Bath Iron Works during 30 August - 2 September 1983. The Board of Inspection and Survey conducted Acceptance Trials on DE WERT during 3-5 October 1983.

Delivery of the ship to the Navy by Bath Iron Works, Bath, Maine, took place on 10 November 1983.

The ship was commissioned 19 November 1983 at Bath Iron Works, Bath, Maine. The principal speaker at the ceremony was Vice Admiral John D. Johnson, USN (Ret), former Commander Naval Surface Forces, U.S. Atlantic Fleet. Additional remarks were provided by Captain E. C. Webster, Supervisor of Shipbuilding, Bath, Maine and Mr. William E. Hagget, President and Chief Executive Officer, Bath Iron Works. Commander Douglas M. Armstrong, USN, assumed command.

The ship successfully completed the Light-Off Examination conducted by the Atlantic Fleet Propulsion Examination Board on 20-21 December 1983.

The remainder of 1983 was dedicated to post delivery availability while fitting out the ship and training the crew in preparation for the transit to homeport, Charleston, South Carolina.

2. Special Topics:

a. Commanding Officer: Commander Douglas M. Armstrong, USN, 19 November 1983 to present.

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b. **Command Organization:** As with other FRG 7 class ship's, DE WERT was crewed under the "minimum manning" concept, which significantly reduces, from traditional ships of her type, the size of the crew and the number of required watchstanders. In addition, the ship functions under the Combat Systems Organization; the four departments being Engineering, Combat Systems, Ship Control, and Supply Support. The Commissioning Executive Officer was Lieutenant Commander Ronald C. Bogle. The department heads at commissioning were: LT Clinton B. Baker, Chief Engineer and Senior Watch Officer; LT David P. Smith, Ship Control Officer, LT William D. Schill, Support Officer; and LT Robby L. Knight, Combat Systems Officer. The Senior Chief Petty Officer of the Command was STGCS David J. Frey.

c. **Major Equipment:** The ship was commissioned with the following characteristics and equipment:

Displacement:	3900 Tons
Dimensions:	Length 453' Beam 46' 11.5" Navigational Draft 25.2"
Compliment	15 Officers (14 commissioned, 1 warrant) 17 Chief Petty Officers 186 Enlisted
Propulsion	2 General Electric LM2500 Gas Turbine Engines 2 Electric Drive Auxiliary Propulsion Units
Armament	MK13 Guided Missile Launching System for SMI standard surface-to-air missiles and Harpoon surface-to-surface missiles. 1 - 76mm Rapid Fire Gun 1 MK15 Close-in Weapons System 2 Triple tube torpedo mounts for MK46 torpedoes
Sensors	AN/SPS-55 Surface Search Radar AN/SPS-49 Air Search Radar MK92 Fire Control System AN/SLQ-32(V2) Electronic Support Measures Receiving Set

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USS DE WERT OFFICER ROSTER

<u>NAME</u>	<u>RANK</u>	<u>BILLET CODE</u>
ARMSTRONG, Douglas M.	CDR	COMMANDING OFFICER
BOGLE, Ronald C.	LCDR	EXECUTIVE OFFICER
ALLEN, Paul H.	LT	ELECTRONIC READINESS OFFICER
BAKER, Clinton B.	LT	ENGINEERING OFFICER
BASS, William O.	OWO3	MAIN PROPULSION ASSISTANT
CROY, George P.	LT	ANTI-SUBMARINE WARFARE OFFICER
DEES, Robert	ENS	COMMUNICATIONS/LEGAL OFFICER
KEARCHER, George L.	LTJG	DAMAGE CONTROL ASSISTANT
KNIGHT, Robby L.	LT	COMBAT SYSTEMS OFFICER
PARKER, Larry G.	ENS	FIRE CONTROL OFFICER
RUSH, Thomas H.	LTJG	FIRST LIEUTENANT
SAMS, Roger L.	LT	COMBAT INFORMATION CENTER OFFICER
SCHILL, William D.	LT	SUPPORT OFFICER
SIPPLE, Richard M.	ENS	DISBURSING OFFICER
SMITH, David P.	LT	SHIP CONTROL OFFICER

USS DE WERT (FFG 45) ENLISTED PERSONNEL ALPHA ROSTER

NAME	RATE
ACTON, Edward W.	QMC
DEGARMO, Larry N.	ETC
FLICK, Gregg	RMC
FREY, David J.	STGCS
GUEBERT, Michael W.	GSMC
HINSON, Delta L.	OSC
HOTH, Michael J.	OSC
JACKSON, Daniel L.	SKCS
JANIK, Kevin	HTC
LOPEZ, Roberto	GMGC
OFFERSEN, Robert L.	FTMC
PROCHAZKA, Robert J.	ICC
FURNELL, Olden A.	MSC
RULIVA, Gabriel L.	EMCS
SUTER, Gary O.	EMC
YOUNG, William H.	ENC

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ADAMS, Ronald A.	OSSN
ADAMSKI, Charles E.	EM3
ADKINS, Gregory A.	EM3
ANDREWS, Darrell L.	ET3
BALISI, James A.	EM1
BALL, Robert J.	YN1
BARBERO, Daniel J.	SA
BARROWS, Ricky G.	EN1
BEAUSHAW, Lynn D.	OSSA
BERRY, Vernon R.	MS2
BONNER, Antonio B.	TM2
BRADLEY, Thomas O.	STGSN
BRINKER, Douglas L.	BMSN
BROOKS, Cornelius F.	SA
BROWN, J. C.	EN1
BROWN, Reginald F.	SA
CAMPBELL, Jeff D.	OSSN
CANNON, Dennis Q.	GSE2
CANTY, Josh N.	OSSN
CARDENAS, Jesus	SA
CARLIN, Richard R.	EM2
CARTER, Boyd A.	SA
CEARLEY, Danny W.	GSM1

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USS DE WERT (FFG 45) ENLISTED PERSONNEL ALPHA ROSTER

NAME	RATE
CHAMPAGNE, Simon P.	ET3
CHICK, Garrett A.	GMG2
CLAEYS, Martin G.	FTG2
COPELAND, Michael E.	SA
CORNELL, Michael D.	SM3
COTTER, Dennis J.	EN3
COX, Leslie C.	ET3
COYLE, Paul E.	PN3
CRABTREE, Charles R. Jr.	SHSA
CRUZ, Steven M.	FA
CUMMINGS, Michael J.	GSE3
DAVIS, Carnell I Jr.	SA
DAVIS, Darrow R.	SA
DAVIS, Gregory D.	QMSN
DAVIS, James R.	OS2
DAVIS, Willie M.	MS1
DOAN, Gregory C.	FTM3
DODD, William C. II	GSM1
DONDERO, Richard M.	OSSN
DUKE, Raymond G.	ET3
EVERT, Gerald G.	EW1
ENGLAND, Sam Jr.	SA
ESPARZA, Joe M.	SA
FAIN, Ronald J.	EW2
FORD, James F.	EM2
GILLESPIE, Danny E.	GSM3
GRAHAM, Stephen M.	RM3
GREGORY, Gerald L.	SM1
GRINSTED, Gary A.	EM2
GUARINO, David A.	RM1
GULLATTE, John P.	SA
HALCO, Gary C.	EN3
HARE, Byran G.	MSSA
HARRIS, Kenneth G.	OS3
HARRIS, Michael L.	MR2
HART, Samuel H. Jr.	SM1
HARTLEY, Joseph T.	SA
HEINOLD, John R.	FTM3
HESS, NELSON L.	SA
HOBBAUGH, Michael R.	ET1
HOLLAND, William S.	OSSA
HOLLINGSWORTH, Mike B.	GSM2
HOLLINS, Alex L.	FA
HOLSTE, Curtis L.	MS1
HOUGHTON, David P.	ET3
HOWARD, Joseph P.	SKSA

USS DE WERT (FFG 45) ENLISTED PERSONNEL ALPHA ROSTER

NAME	RATE
HUDSON, Clarence J.	OS2
HUDSON, Michael D. SR.	OS2
HUTCHENS, Robert L.	FIMSN
IGNACIO, Rey M.	HTFN
IPATENCO, Alexander L.	FTG3
JOHNSON, George E.	GSM3
JORDAN, James F.	GMM2
JOYCE, Scott P.	GSE3
JUSTESEN, Kevin S.	MSSN
KAMP, Stephen J.	HT3
KEATON, Donald L.	QMSA
KENDALL, Eric S.	SA
KIRK, Jay H.	RM2
KNIPPER, William G.	GSE2
KRAUS, Mark N.	RM3
KRUISE, Robert W.	STG3
LABRIE, Daniel E.	SA
LAHMON, Lloyd C.	STG2
LANDRY, Lorne L.	SA
LANHAM, Roosevelt Jr.	FR
LARKAN, Lonnie E.	OS2
LAWLOR, Gerard F.	STGSN
LAXSON, Benjamin T.	QM2
LEISTRA, Derek L.	OS1
LELLI, Kenneth J.	DSSN
LEWIS, Paul E.	DS1
LIGHTNER, Thomas B.	MSSA
LOCY, Michael L.	OS2
LONG, Barry E.	EW3
LOVE, Tracey L.	SA
MACARAIG, Santos C. Jr	MSSN
MAESTAS, Thomas F.	FTG2
MANRIQUE, Tomas III	SA
MASSEY, Prentice Jr.	PC3
MCCLAIR, Kevin M.	STG3
MCEVOY, Neil C.	FN1
MCKITTRICK, John J.	EM2
MCWANNAMY, Clyde E.	GMM2
MILLER, Eris D.	GSMFN
MILLER, Gerald A.	FTG3
MITCHELL, Mercer B.	SA
MITCHELL, Michael D.	SM2
MULLIS, David W.	FTM2
MULLOY, James G.	GSE1
NELSON, James B.	GSM3
NELSON, Steve A.	GMM2

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USS DE WERT (FFG 45) ENLISTED PERSONNEL ALPHA ROSTER

NAME	RATE
NORTON, Joseph D.	FIM2
PEPKE, Peter W.	SA
PEREZ, John	IC2
PERRY, Alfred K.	SA
PIGG, Joseph M.	SHSA
POSOS, Martin	SH1
FOYTHRESS, Richard D.	HTFN
FROSSER, Jay A.	IC1
REED, William	EM3
RICE, Michael S.	OS3
RYAN, Todd A.	GSMFN
SANTELER, Erwin C.	EM2
SANTIAGO, David	YN2
SCHNEIDER, Robert A.	STG1
SCHULER, Edward J.	EW2
SELLERS, Willie	SK2
SIMPSON, James A.	SK1
SMITH, Francis P.	QMSA
SMITH, Stephan E.	QMSA
SOEDER, John E.	EM1
SONS, Timothy D.	STG2
SPICER, Stephen M	ET3
SPINNEY, Philo M.	OS2
SRALIK, Joseph D.	RM3
STILLEY, Clay H.	SA
SUSHEREBA, Mark A.	EN2
SWEATT, Randall R.	HT2
SWEENEY, James R.	EN1
SWOPE, Brian E.	FIM2
TAYLOR, Alejandro A.	SHSA
TAYLOR, Michael R.	GMG3
THOMPSON, Mark W.	GSM3
TOLSON, Fred E.	EN2
TOMPKINS, David A.	OS1
TRAVERSO, Samuel	SA
TRICE, Michael A.	SH2
TROESCHER, Gary R.	QMSN
VANDERINK, Loren W.	MA1
VERA, Neil P.	RM2
WATTS, Gerald T.	EMFA
WIDEMAN, Daniel R.	EN2
WILCHER, Hubert L.	SKSN
WILLIAMS, Daniel L.	MSSA
WILLIAMS, Raymond K.	IC3
WISEMAN, Michael J.	OS2
YOUNG, Jeffrey D.	HT2

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