



USS Albuquerque (SSN 706)

Commander Naval Submarine Forces

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CDR Jerry K. Burroughs Commanding Officer

Commander Burroughs is a native of Thomasville, North Carolina and a 1981 graduate of North Carolina State University with a degree in mechanical engineering. He received his commission from Officer Candidate School in 1982.

Following the nuclear power and submarine pipeline training he reported to USS NATHAN HALE (SSBN 623) (BLUE). He served in various division officer assignments while completing five strategic deterrent patrols.

In 1989, following a two year assignment as an instructor at Nuclear Power Training Unit in Ballston Spa, New York and a completion of Submarine Officers Advanced Course, he reported to USS HONOLULU (SSN 718) as Engineer Officer. During his tour HONOLULU completed one Western Pacific and two Northern Pacific deployments while earning three Battle Efficiency Awards. He then reported to the CINCLANTFLT Nuclear Propulsion Examining Board in Norfolk, VA where he served until January 1995.

Commander Burroughs completed prospective executive officer training and reported to USS FINBACK (SSN 670) in Norfolk as Executive Officer in May 1995. During his tour FINBACK completed a Mediterranean Sea Deployment and conducted an inter-fleet transfer to Puget Sound Naval Shipyard in Bremerton, Washington for inactivation.

Commander Burroughs next served as an operations budget analyst on the staff of the Assistant Secretary of the Navy (Financial Management and Comptroller) in Washington, D.C. from May 1997 to March 1999.

Commander Burroughs' personal decorations include the Meritorious Service Medal (two awards), the Navy Commendation Medal (four awards), and the Navy Achievement Medal (five awards).

Silentum Excubitor

The ALBUQUERQUE (SSN 706) is the second United States vessel to bear that name. The first ALBUQUERQUE, a TACOMA class patrol frigate, was commissioned in December of 1943 and saw service in World War II and the Korean War.

The present ALBUQUERQUE is a nuclear powered, fast attack submarine of the 688 class. She was built by the Electric Boat Division of the General Dynamics Corporation. Her keel was laid December 27, 1979. She was launched March 13, 1982, and placed in commission on May 21, 1983.

ALBUQUERQUE is equipped with the latest advancements in sonar, weapons and propulsion systems technology. Her missions are many, from hunting and destroying enemy surface ships and submarines to attacking land targets with cruise missiles. The ship's motto is "SILENTUM EXCUBITOR," the silent executioner.

ALBUQUERQUE has completed numerous deployments and has been awarded two Meritorious Unit Commendations.

Facts and Figures

- **Builders:** Newport News Shipbuilding Co.; General Dynamics Electric Boat Division
- **Powerplant:** One nuclear reactor, one shaft
- **Length:** 360 feet (109.73 meters)
- **Beam:** 33 feet (10.06 meters)
- **Displacement:** Approx. 6,900 tons (7010.73 metric tons) submerged
- **Speed:** 20+ knots (23+ miles per hour; 36.8+ KPH)
- **Crew:** 13 officers, 121 enlisted
- **Armament:** Tomahawk cruise missiles, VLS tubes (719 and later), MK48 torpedoes, four torpedo tubes