

National Naval Dental Center
Bethesda, Maryland

25 October 2004

Disestablishment Ceremony



Building 2
Memorial Auditorium



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Disestablishment Ceremony**

CAPT Kenneth R. Wright

Dental Corps
United States Navy

will disestablish the
National Naval Dental Center
and integrate its components with the

National Naval Medical Center

Bethesda, Maryland

Naval Medical Clinic, Patuxent River

Naval Medical Clinic, Annapolis

Naval Medical Clinic, Quantico

Welcome

Guests are requested to stand during the Arrival of the Official Party, Honors, Colors, National Anthem, Invocation, and the Benediction.

National Naval Dental Center

The Bureau of Medicine introduced the Navy Dental Bill to Congress and on August 22, 1912, the act was ratified after years of trying to pass the Bill through Congress, establishing the Navy Dental Corps. Ironically, the act was signed into legislation by President William Howard Taft, a man known to have a passion for sweets. World War I established recognition for Navy Dentistry. Post-war years saw two significant milestones occur: the establishment of the U.S. Naval Dental School and the creation of the Dental Division at the Bureau of Medicine and Surgery (BUMED).

The Naval Postgraduate Dental School (NPDS) was established February 3, 1923. First called the Naval Dental School, it was part of the Dental Department of the United States Naval Medical School, Washington, D.C. From 1923 to 1941, the School was located on what is the present day site of BUMED, on the Potomac River near the Lincoln Memorial. The first NPDS graduating class of June 1923 consisted of five dental officers and 10 corpsmen. The officers took general postgraduate courses and the corpsmen were trained as dental hygienists, assistants and lab technicians.

In 1942, the Naval Dental School was moved to Bethesda, Md., and became a component of the National Naval Medical Center. The dental school was re-designated the Naval Graduate Dental School in 1971 to reflect its educational mission more accurately. In 1983, the Naval Dental Clinic, Bethesda, was established, with the Naval Dental School as a component facility. In 1989, the Naval Dental Clinic was renamed the National Naval Dental Center. In 1999, the Naval Dental School was renamed the Naval Postgraduate Dental School. Under the command and support of the National Naval Dental Center, the Naval Postgraduate Dental School conducts advanced specialty programs for dental officers. Graduates are fully qualified to practice, teach, and conduct research in support of the Dental Corps.

The National Naval Dental Center (NNDC), Bethesda, is still bearing the torch of professional excellence; emphasizing advancements of earlier Navy dentists. NNDC is staffed by over 450 officers, enlisted, and civilian personnel. It is the second largest dental command and the only dental command with a dual mission of dental care delivery and residency training. The Command is composed of Headquarters, the Naval Postgraduate Dental School, and six branch dental clinics: Washington Navy Yard, Annapolis, Quantico, Patuxent River, Dahlgren, NAF Andrews, and the Triservice Dental Clinic at the Pentagon.

The Command provides complete dental service to over 30,000 beneficiaries in a tri-state area. In addition, it provides residency training in Comprehensive Dentistry, Endodontics, Maxillofacial Prosthetics, Oral Medicine, Oral and Maxillofacial Pathology, Orofacial Pain, Prosthodontic, Periodontics, and 19 continuing education and board review courses.

Today, the National Naval Dental Center will symbolically be dismissed for the last time, with the Naval Postgraduate Dental School, General Dentistry Clinic, and Branch Dental Clinics being integrated with the National Naval Medical Center, and naval medical clinics Quantico, Annapolis, and Patuxent River.

This ceremony is a formal ritual that represents the last opportunity for the Commanding Officer to address the Command. It serves as a visible mark of continuity in a context of change.

Rear Admiral Kathleen L. Martin

**Senior Health Care Executive U. S. Navy
Deputy Surgeon General of the
Navy/Vice Chief, Bureau of Medicine and Surgery**



Rear Admiral Martin became Deputy Surgeon General of the Navy/Vice Chief, Bureau of Medicine and Surgery on 3 October 2002.

A native of Arnold, Pennsylvania, Kathleen L. Martin was commissioned an Ensign in May 1973 after graduating from Boston University. Following Officer Indoctrination School in Newport, Rhode Island she served at Naval Hospital, Camp Lejeune, North Carolina, as a staff nurse and later a charge nurse in pediatrics. In 1976, she reported to Navy Recruiting District, Philadelphia, as the Medical Programs Officer.

From 1979 to 1982, Rear Admiral Martin was assigned to Naval Hospital, Jacksonville, Florida, as the charge nurse of the pediatric ward. Following this tour of duty, she was assigned to Naval Medical Clinic, Pearl Harbor, Hawaii. During this period her duties included Division Officer of Military Medicine, Credentials Coordinator, Risk Manager, and Quality Assurance Coordinator.

In 1986, she was transferred to Naval Hospital, San Diego, California and served as head of the Ambulatory Medical Nursing Department, which encompassed eight medical specialty clinics. Rear Admiral Martin attended the University of San Diego from 1990 to 1992, earning a Master of Science Degree in both nursing administration and as a family health nurse specialist. Following duty under instruction, she was assigned to Naval Medical Clinic, Port Hueneme, California, as the Director of Nursing Services.

Rear Admiral Martin assumed her first command in 1993 as Commanding Officer of Naval Medical Clinic, Port Hueneme. Subsequently, she served as Commanding Officer, Naval Hospital, Charleston, South Carolina, from July 1995 to June 1998.

She was promoted to the rank of Rear Admiral and assigned as the Medical Inspector General from August 1998 to October 1999. From November 1999 to October 2002, she served as Commander, National Naval Medical Center. She also held the position as the 19th Director of the Navy Nurse Corps from August 1998 to August 2001.

Military decorations include the Distinguished Service Medal, Legion of Merit (three awards), the Defense Meritorious Service Medal, Meritorious Service Medal and the Navy Commendation Medal. She is a member of the American College of Healthcare Executives, the American Society for Public Administration, the Association of Military Surgeons of the United States and Sigma Theta Tau.

Rear Admiral Jan C. Gaudio

Commandant

Naval District Washington

Rear Admiral Gaudio enlisted in the Navy on June 2, 1971, as an Aviation Reserve Officer Candidate. He was commissioned Nov. 9, 1973, and designated an unrestricted naval aviator on Nov. 22, 1974.

His first operational assignment was at Naval Air Station, Guantanamo Bay, Cuba, as a division officer and SAR pilot in the HH-1K Huey and HU-16 Albatross aircraft.

In May 1976, he reported to Naval Training Center, Great Lakes, Ill., as executive officer of the Transient Personnel Unit, responsible for the transfer and processing of more than 10,000 naval personnel annually.

Reporting to Helicopter Anti-Submarine Squadron Light (HSL-30) at Naval Station Norfolk in April 1978, Rear Admiral Gaudio completed transition to the SH-2F and began his first LAMPS tour at HSL-32. He deployed as detachment operations and maintenance officer aboard USS ALYWIN (FF 1081) and USS McCANDLESS (FF 1084) and as officer-in-charge aboard USS DONALD B. BEARY (FF 1085). Rear Admiral Gaudio's detachment set a still-standing monthly flight hour record for LAMPS MK1 detachments. He was next assigned to the Naval Postgraduate School, Monterey, Calif., where he received a master's degree in National Security Affairs, followed by his first joint duty assignment at the NATO Headquarters, Allied Forces Baltic Approaches (BALTAP), in July 1983, serving as the senior U.S. Navy staff officer for current intelligence.

Returning to HSL-32 in December 1985, he deployed as detachment officer-in-charge aboard USS TRIPPE (FF 1075), winning the Sixth Fleet "Hook-em" Award, and served as both squadron operations and maintenance officer. Rear Admiral Gaudio's next tour was in Washington, D.C., with the Bureau of Naval Personnel as the Head of the Management and Procedures Branch in the Distributions Management and Control Division, responsible for both officer and enlisted distribution.



From December 1989 to December 1991, Rear Admiral Gaudio served as executive and commanding officer of the HSL-34 "Greencheckers." Under his leadership, the squadron won the Battle Efficiency "E" and the Commander-In-Chief, Atlantic Fleet Golden Anchor award for retention excellence.

Returning to sea, he served as "Air Boss" on USS INCHON (LPH 12) until selected as a National Security Fellow at Harvard University. Completing his Federal Executive Fellowship in 1994, he served on the NATO Joint Staff of Commander-In-Chief, Western Atlantic Area as Assistant Chief of Staff and Director NATO Plans until reporting as commanding officer of Naval Station Mayport in August 1996. Naval Station Mayport won the 1997 CINCLANTFLT Installation Excellence Award as the "Best Base in the Atlantic Fleet." During his next tour, he served as the Senior Fellow on the Chief of Naval Operations Strategic Studies Group.

Rear Admiral Gaudio's first Flag assignment was as Commander, Naval Region Southeast, from August 2000 until October 2002, responsible for nine installations in eight states and the Caribbean, including oversight of fleet support operations in Puerto Rico and detainee camp operations in Guantanamo Bay, Cuba. During this tour he was selected to lead a Secretary of the Navy Facilities Management Panel tasked with identifying facilities management principles and processes to enhance readiness.

Rear Admiral Gaudio served on the Staff of Commander, U.S. Atlantic Fleet, as Director, Fleet Readiness, Logistics and Infrastructure from November 2002 until September 2003.

Rear Admiral Gaudio currently serves as the 84th Commandant of Naval District Washington, the oldest continuously-operated Navy installation in the nation.

Rear Admiral Gaudio's military awards include the Defense Superior Service Medal, Legion of Merit Medal (two awards), Defense Meritorious Service Medal, Meritorious Service Medal (two awards), Navy Commendation Medal (three awards), Army Commendation Medal, Navy Achievement Medal and various unit awards.

Program

Musical selections by the United States Navy Brass Quintet

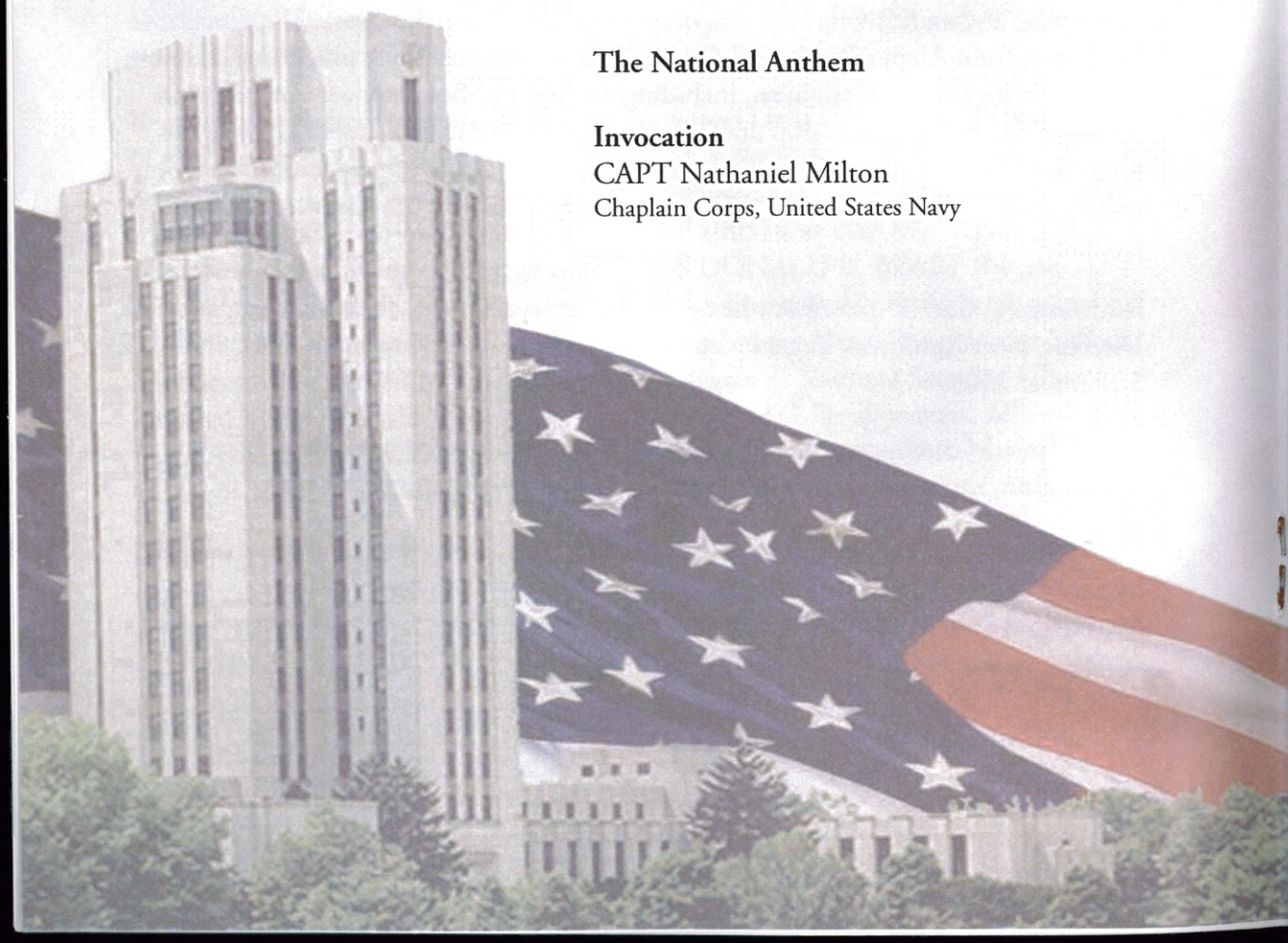
Welcome **CAPT Thomas B. Smith**
Dental Corps, United States Navy
Executive Officer, National Naval Dental Center

Arrival of the Official Party

Parade the Colors
NNDC Color Guard

The National Anthem

Invocation
CAPT Nathaniel Milton
Chaplain Corps, United States Navy



Introductory Remarks.....RDML Jan C. Gaudio, USN
Commandant, Naval District Washington

Remarks.....RADM Kathleen Martin
Senior Healthcare Executive, United States Navy
Deputy Surgeon General

Remarks.....CAPT Carol I. Turner, DC, USN
Chief, Dental Corps

RemarksCAPT Kenneth R. Wright, DC, USN
Commanding Officer, National Naval Dental Center

IntegrationCAPT Kenneth R. Wright, DC, USN
Commanding Officer, National Naval Dental Center

Naval Medical Clinic, Quantico..... CAPT Janee L. Przybyl, MSC, USN
Commanding Officer

Naval Medical Clinic, Annapolis CAPT William P. Frank, MSC, USN
Commanding Officer

Naval Medical Clinic, Patuxent River CAPT David S. Wade, MC, USN
Commanding Officer

National Naval Medical Center..... CAPT Mark Olesen, MC, USN
Deputy Commander

Benediction CAPT Nathaniel Milton, CHC, USN

Departure of the Official Party



Captain Carol I. Turner
Chief of the Navy Dental Corps
Bureau of Medicine and Surgery



Captain Turner graduated, with distinction, from both Purdue University and Indiana University School of Dentistry (1975). Upon completion of dental school, she practiced in Jacksonville, North Carolina, until 1977. In September of that year, she was commissioned as a Lieutenant in the Navy Dental Corps. Her first duty assignment was at Marine Corps Base, Camp Lejeune, North Carolina.

In May 1979, she was transferred to USS VULCAN (AR-5), home ported at Norfolk, Virginia. She served as an assistant dental officer and subsequently as the division officer for the ship's dental department. Captain Turner transferred to the Naval Dental Center Norfolk in June 1981.

In 1984, she was selected for training and assigned to Naval Postgraduate Dental School Bethesda, Maryland, where she completed a residency program in advanced clinical dentistry and the requirements for a master's of arts in oral biology. Her next assignment was as Officer-In-Charge of Branch Dental Clinic, Bermuda.

Captain Turner began a tour as a staff officer under the Chief, Navy Dental Corps in 1988. During her tour at the Bureau of Medicine and Surgery, she served as Head of Manpower Resources and subsequently Head of the Logistics Division. In July of 1991, she transferred to the Naval War College, Newport, Rhode Island, as a student in the College of Naval Warfare. There she completed a master's of arts in national security and strategic studies. After graduation, Captain Turner reported to Marine Corps Air Station, Cherry Point, North Carolina, as the Commanding Officer of 12th Dental Company, 2nd Dental Battalion, Second Force Service Support Group. In 1994, she assumed duties as the Executive Officer of Naval Dental Center Newport.

Captain Turner next reported as Commanding Officer of the combined command First Dental Battalion, First Force Service Support Group/Naval Dental Center, Camp Pendleton in 1996. She subsequently served as Officer-in-Charge, Naval Healthcare Support Office, Norfolk. In July 2001 she assumed command of the National Naval Dental Center in Bethesda and is presently serving as Chief of the Navy Dental Corps at the Bureau of Medicine and Surgery.

Captain Turner maintains membership in the American Dental Association and the Academy of General Dentistry. She is a Fellow in both the International College of Dentists and the Academy of Dentistry International.

Captain Turner's personal awards include the Legion of Merit (with two gold stars), Meritorious Service Medal (with two gold stars), Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medal (with gold star), and the Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal.

CAPT Kenneth R. Wright

**Commanding Officer
National Naval Dental Center**

A native of New York City, Captain Wright received his Bachelor of Arts degree in Pre-dental Studies from Columbia University, New York, N.Y., his Doctor of Dental Medicine degree from Harvard University, and his Master of Public Health degree also from Harvard University. He was commissioned in July 1979 and commenced active duty immediately.



After completion of an officer indoctrination program in Portsmouth, Virginia, he was assigned as Assistant Dental Officer, Washington Navy Yard, Washington, D.C. from 1979 to 1982. He was augmented into the Regular Navy in 1981 and served consecutive tours with the 3rd Dental Battalion, Okinawa, Japan from 1982 to 1984. Completing his Periodontics Residency Program in 1986, at University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, he was assigned as Command Consultant in Periodontics at Naval Dental Center, Parris Island. He then reported for Duty Under Instruction to the Naval War College, Newport Rhode Island, in July 1988 and received his Master of Arts degree in National Security and Strategic Studies in 1989. Assigned to the Naval Dental Center, Newport, Rhode Island from 1989 to 1991, he served as Command Consultant in Periodontics and TQL Coordinator.

In 1991 Captain Wright was reassigned to the Navy Medical Quality Institute, Naval School of Health Sciences where he served as Curriculum Coordinator and Instructor for the Quality Medical Department until 1993. From 1993 to 1995 he was Assistant for Dental Officer Professional Development, MED-OODCB2, Bureau of Medicine and Surgery. He completed the Advanced Health Care Administration Course at the Interagency Institute for Federal Health Care Executives at George Washington, University in 1993. He was then detailed in May 1995 to Naval Dental Center San Diego, CA and served as Director, Branch Dental Clinic, Marine Corps Recruit Depot. He served as Executive Officer, U. S. Naval Dental Center Far East, Japan from 1997 to 1999. He was subsequently assigned as Commanding Officer of the 3rd Dental

Battalion/USNDC Okinawa from 1999-2001. Captain Wright served as Assistant Deputy Chief, Bureau of Medicine and Surgery for Dental Operations Support from 2001-2003. He assumed his current position as Commanding Officer, National Naval Dental Center in November 2003.

Captain Wright is a Fellow in the International College of Dentists. He is also a member of the American Academy of Periodontology; the American Board Of Periodontology; the American Dental Association; the American Academy of Medical Administrators; and the Interagency Institute of Federal Health Care Executives. His personal awards include the Legion of Merit (one Gold Star), Meritorious Service Medal (four Gold Stars), Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medal and Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal.

Captain Wright is married and he and his wife Sue have two children: Nicole (14) and Geoffrey (12).

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Officers in Charge

Lieutenant Commander Harry E. Harvey, DC, USN	Feb 1923-Jun 1923
Lieutenant Commander William L. Darnall, DC, USN	Jul 1923-Oct 1927
Commander Leon Martin, DC, USN	Oct 1927-Feb 1930
Commander Eugene H. Tennent, DC, USN	Feb 1930-May 1932

Dental Officers in Command

Commander John V. McAlpin, DC, USN	Apr 1936-Jun 1937
Commander Marson W. Mangold, DC, USN	Jun 1937-Aug 1939
Captain William L. Darnall, DC, USN	Aug 1939-Apr 1941
Captain Albert Knox, DC, USN	Apr 1941-Feb 1942
Captain Arthur H. Yando, DC, USN	Feb 1942-Mar 1944
Captain Rae D. Pitton, DC, USN	Mar 1944-Oct 1945
Captain Clemens V. Rault, DC, USN	Jan 1948-Feb 1948
Captain Louis D. Mitchell Jr., DC, USN	Feb 1948-Nov 1949

Commanding Officers

Captain William C. Wohlfarth, Jr., DC, USN	Jun 1968-Aug 1972
Rear Admiral Wade H. Hagerman, Jr., DC, USN	Aug 1972-Mar 1973
Rear Admiral George D. Selfridge, DC, USN	Mar 1973-Aug 1976
Captain Stewart T. Elder, DC, USN	Aug 1976-Aug 1979
Captain Harry C. Pebley, DC, USN	Aug 1979-Sep 1982
Captain Henry J. Sazima, DC, USN	Sep 1982-Mar 1983
Commodore Henry J. Sazima, DC, USN	Mar 1983-Jun 1983
Captain Paul T. McDavid, DC, USN	Jun 1983-Jul 1985
Captain Oscar B. Walker, DC, USN	Jul 1985-Aug 1988
Captain Robert E. Cassidy, DC, USN	Aug 1988-Jun 1991
Captain James J. Shanley, DC, USN	Jun 1991-Aug 1994
Captain Robert N. Smyth, DC, USN	Aug 1994-Jul 1998
Captain James L. Peterson, DC, USN	Jul 1998-Aug 2001
Captain Carol I. Turner, DC, USN	Aug 2001-Nov 2003
Captain Kenneth R. Wright, DC, USN	Nov 2003-Oct 2004

Special Recognition

Sideboys

CAPT Duane R. Schafer, DC, USN
Director, Naval Postgraduate Dental School

CAPT Francis R. Parriera, DC, USN
Director, Branch Dental Clinic, Annapolis

CAPT Mary E. Neill, DC, USN
Director, Branch Dental Clinic, Washington Navy Yard

CDR Vincent C. LaPointe, DC, USN
Director, Branch Dental Clinic, Quantico

CDR Scott M. Smith, DC, USN
Director, Branch Dental Clinic, Patuxent River

DTCS(AW/FMF) Democrito S. Gamboa, USN
Senior Enlisted Leader, Naval Postgraduate Dental School

Naval Medical Education and Training Command

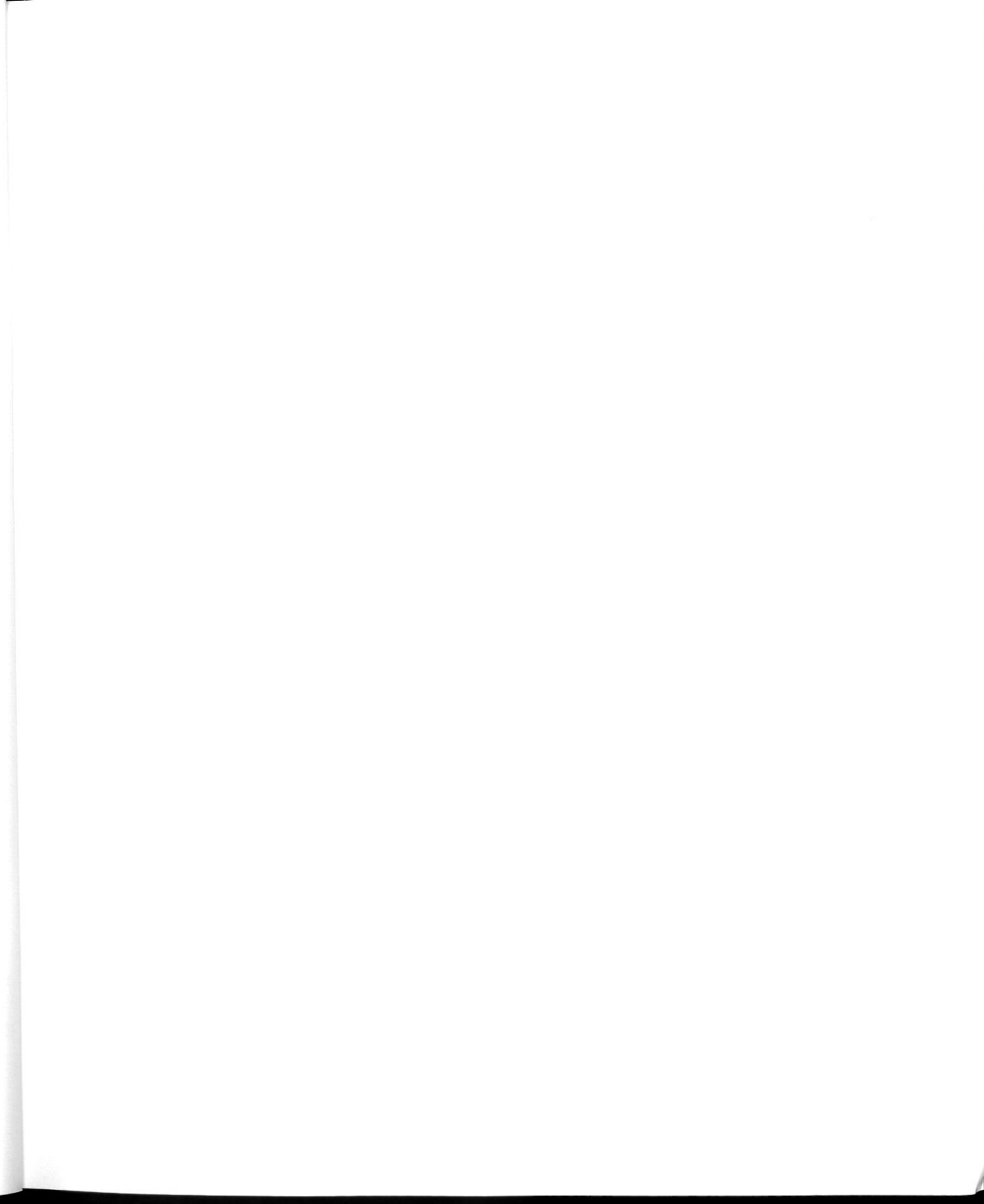
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United States Navy Band Brass Quartet





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