advisor and assistant to the Secretary on the administration of the affairs of the Department of the Navy. The Civilian Executive Assistants carry out their duties with the professional assistance of the Office of the Chief of Naval Operations and Headquarters, Marine Corps, as presided over by the Chief of Naval Operations and Commandant of the Marine Corps, respectively.

(c) The Civilian Executive Assistants are authorized and directed to act for the Secretary within their assigned areas of responsibility.

§ 700.321 The Under Secretary of the Navy.

(a) The Under Secretary of the Navy shall perform such duties and exercise such powers as the Secretary of the Navy shall prescribe.

(b) The Under Secretary of the Navy is designated as the deputy and principal assistant to the Secretary of the Navy. The Under Secretary of the Navy acts with full authority of the Secretary in the general management of the Department of the Navy and supervision of offices, organizations and functions as assigned by the Secretary.

§ 700.322 Assistant Secretaries of the Navy; statutory authorization.

There are four Assistant Secretaries of the Navy. The Assistant Secretaries shall perform such duties and exercise such powers as the Secretary of the Navy may prescribe in accordance with law.

§ 700.323 The Assistant Secretary of the Navy (Financial Management).

The Assistant Secretary of the Navy (Financial Management) is the Controller of the Navy, and is responsible for all matters related to the financial management of the Department of the Navy, including:

(a) Budgeting;

(b) Accounting;

(c) Disbursing;

(d) Financing;

(e) Internal review;

(f) Progress and statistical reporting; and

(g) Supervision of offices and organizations as assigned by the Secretary of the Navy.

§ 700.324 The Assistant Secretary of the Navy (Manpower and Reserve Affairs).

The Assistant Secretary of the Navy (Manpower and Reserve Affairs) is responsible for:

(a) The overall supervision of manpower and reserve component affairs of the Department of the Navy, including policy and administration of affairs related to military (active and inactive) and civilian personnel; and

(b) Supervision of offices and organizations as assigned by the Secretary, specifically the Naval Council of Personnel Boards and the Board for Correction of Naval Records.

§ 700.325 The Assistant Secretary of the Navy (Installations and Environment).

The Assistant Secretary of the Navy (Installations and Environment) is responsible for:

(a) Policy relating to Navy installations, facilities, environment, safety, shore resources management and quality improvement;

(b) Development, implementation and evaluation of military construction, facilities management and engineering, strategic homeporting, housing, utilities, and base utilization issues;

(c) Environmental policy, safety, occupational health, and Marine Corps and Navy environmental affairs, including environmental protection, restoration, compliance and legislation, natural resource programs, hazardous material/waste minimization, plastics reduction and control, afloat environmental issues, state and federal agency and environmental organization coordination, and the National Environmental Policy Act; and

(d) Advising on fiscal resources related to shore appropriations.

§ 700.326 The Assistant Secretary of the Navy (Research, Development and Acquisition).

The Assistant Secretary of the Navy (Research, Development and Acquisition) is responsible for:

(a) Research, development and acquisition, except for military requirements and operational test and evaluation;
§ 700.327 The General Counsel of the Navy.

(a) The General Counsel is head of the Office of the General Counsel and is responsible for providing legal advice, counsel, and guidance within the Department of the Navy on the following matters:

(1) Business and commercial law, environmental law, civilian personnel law, real and personal property law and patent law;

(2) Procurement of services, including the fiscal, budgetary and accounting aspects, for the Navy and Marine Corps;

(3) Litigation involving the issues enumerated above; and

(4) Other matters as directed by the Secretary of the Navy.

(b) The General Counsel maintains a close working relationship with the Judge Advocate General on all matters of common interest.

§ 700.330 The Staff Assistants.

The Staff Assistants, as identified in §700.310, assist the Secretary of the Navy, or one or more of the Civilian Executive Assistants, in the administration of the Navy. They supervise all functions and activities internal to their offices and assigned field activities, if any, and are responsible to the Secretary or to one of the Civilian Executive Assistants for the utilization of resources by, and the operating efficiency of, all activities under their supervision or command. Their duties are as provided by law or as assigned by the Secretary.

§ 700.331 The Judge Advocate General.

(a) The Judge Advocate General of the Navy commands the Office of the Judge Advocate General and is the Chief of the Judge Advocate General’s Corps. The Judge Advocate General:

(1) Provides or supervises the provision of all legal advice and related services throughout the Department of the Navy, except for the advice and services provided by the General Counsel;

(2) Performs the functions required or authorized by law;

(3) Provides legal and policy advice to the Secretary of the Navy on military justice, administrative law, claims, operational and international law, and litigation involving these issues; and

(4) Acts on other matters as directed by the Secretary.

(b) The Judge Advocate General maintains a close working relationship with the General Counsel on all matters of common interest.

§ 700.332 The Naval Inspector General.

(a) Under the direction of the Secretary of the Navy, the Naval Inspector General:

(1) Inspects, investigates or inquires into any and all matters of importance to the Department of the Navy with particular emphasis on readiness, including, but not limited to effectiveness, efficiency, economy and integrity;

(2) Exercises broad supervision, general guidance and coordination for all Department of the Navy inspection, evaluation and appraisal organizations to minimize duplication of efforts and the number of necessary inspections;

(3) Through analysis of available information, identifies areas of weakness in the Department of the Navy as they relate to matters of integrity and efficiency and provides appropriate recommendations for improvement. To accomplish these functions, the Inspector General shall have unrestricted access, by any means, to any information maintained by any naval activity deemed necessary, unless specifically restricted by the Secretary of the Navy: