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OFFICER SPECIAL ASSIGNMENTS - NAVY FLIGHT DEMONSTRATION SQUADRON (BLUE ANGELS) ASSIGNMENTS

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- 1. **Policy**. Selection of the Blue Angels Commanding Officer (CO) is made by Chief of Naval Air Training (CNATRA).
- a. The Blue Angels CO selects the other squadron demonstration pilots and support officers, which are subsequently approved by CNATRA.
- b. All Blue Angels pilot selections are subject to concurrence of Chief of Naval Operations (CNO), Air Warfare (N88). Navy Personnel Command (NAVPERSCOM) has certain administrative responsibilities in this process, including the screening of applicants and liaison with CNO (N88).
- 2. <u>Commanding Officer Applicants</u>. CO applicants apply to CNATRA with copies to NAVPERSCOM, Aviation Commander Assignment Branch (PERS-431) and the incumbent Blue Angels CO.
- 3. <u>Demonstration Pilot Applicants</u>. Demonstration pilot applicants apply directly to the Blue Angels CO and shall provide copies to CNATRA and NAVPERSCOM.
- a. NAVPERSCOM, Aviation Captain Assignment Division (PERS-43) and Air Combat Units Placement Branch (PERS-433), action:
- (1) As applications are received, NAVPERSCOM (PERS-433) initiates administrative prescreening to determine each candidate's availability and desirability for assignment to the Blue Angels.
- (2) NAVPERSCOM (PERS-43) shall make a determination as to whether a candidate is available and recommended to continue in the application process. Pending this approval, the Blue Angels CO shall execute the remainder of the application and selection process.

- (3) NAVPERSCOM (PERS-433) shall provide CNATRA and the Blue Angels CO with a summary of the NAVPERSCOM screening board action on each candidate.
- (4) Following selection by the Blue Angels CO and approved by CNATRA, NAVPERSCOM (PERS-433) will forward background resumes on each prospective Blue Angels pilot to CNO (N88). Permanent change of station (PCS) orders will be issued to those selected upon CNO (N88) concurrence.
- b. Each pilot/Navy flight officer (NFO) selectee to Navy Flight Demonstration Squadron (NAVFLIGHTDEMRON) will sign a statement of agreement by which the officer agrees to remain on active duty (GREEMAIN) for 2 years following completion of the tour with NAVFLIGHTDEMRON. A signed copy of each agreement will be forwarded to NAVPERSCOM (PERS-433).

4. Non-Pilot Applicants

a. Non-demonstration pilot applicants apply to the team to compose the Blue Angels support officer cadre. Billets include the Administrative Officer, Aircraft Maintenance Officer, Public Affairs Officer, Flight Surgeon, and Supply Officer. Like pilot applicants, non-pilot applicants shall submit applications directly to the Blue Angels CO, with copies to CNATRA and to their appropriate NAVPERSCOM detailer code.

b. NAVPERSCOM action:

- (1) As applications are received, the appropriate detailer shall initiate administrative screening to determine each candidate's availability and qualification for assignment to the Blue Angels.
- (2) NAVPERSCOM detailers from the respective support officer communities shall provide the team a minimum of two volunteer, prescreened, and viable candidates to participate in the selection process.
- (3) Following selection by the Blue Angels CO and approval by CNATRA, PCS orders will be issued to those selected.