Lieutenant-Commander Kris Phillips Jan. 2011

Senior Public Affairs Officer



Lieutenant-Commander Kris Phillips joined the Canadian Forces in 1990 as a Reservist in HMCS BRUNSWICKER, the Saint John, New Brunswick based Naval Reserve Division.

In 1991 he transferred to the Regular Force and went on to attend le collège militaire Royal du Saint-Jean and the Royal Military College of Canada where he later graduated in 1996. He was commissioned into the Navy and then served at Esquimalt, British Columbia, for a little more than two years.

In mid-1998, LCdr Phillips transferred to the Canadian Forces Public Affairs Branch and was posted to the then Director General Public Affairs (DGPA) organization at National Defence Headquarters in Ottawa.

During his time in DGPA he worked as a Public Affairs Officer (PAO) serving the office of the Vice Chief of the Defence Staff, the Judge Advocate

General, the Canadian Forces Provost Marshal, and the Assistant Deputy Minister Material (ADM (MAT)). He has also served as the Training and Operations officer for the Canadian Forces Combat Camera section, and has worked as a PAO within the Maritime Staff Public Affairs organization.

LCdr Phillips has served in various Public Affairs capacities overseas in locals such as Bosnia-Herzegovina; Western Europe; the Persian Gulf Region; Kabul and Kandahar, Afghanistan; the US Gulf Coast; the Atlantic and Pacific Oceans; and Haiti.

LCdr Phillips lived in Vancouver for four years where he filled the position of the Senior Public Affairs Officer at the National Defence Public Affairs Office – Pacific Region.

July 2011 saw LCdr Kris Phillips move to Ottawa to take on the responsibilities of Public Affairs Officer to the Chief of Defence Staff.