



## Oscar E. Rojas

### VICE PRESIDENT OF GLOBAL OPERATIONS

Oscar Rojas retired from the U.S. Navy Special Operations Community in 2023, and joined Ocean Aero as the Vice President of Global Operations to bring forward the Triton AUSV (Autonomous Underwater and Surface Vehicle) as a viable unmanned systems solution to meet global commercial and military requirements.

Oscar brings 30+ years of U.S. Navy leadership experience across a wide range of military, civil, and humanitarian operations. He has a strong track record of building highly winning teams and possesses the natural ability to identify emerging technologies in order to develop solutions to respond to critical mission needs. He understands the federal procurement process and is expert in articulating capabilities and matching them to requirements, excelling at introducing ideas and deployable solutions to the customer and end user. While assigned to the Chief of Naval Operations in the Pentagon, he developed and implemented strategy for resourcing and programming over \$9.3B for the Navy Expeditionary Combat Enterprise.

During Oscar's military career, his assignments included Joint Special Operations Command, where he served as the EOD Branch Chief; Deputy Branch Chief for Expeditionary Warfare (OPNAV N95) on the Chief of Naval Operations (CNO) Navy Staff; and served as the first-ever Director, Joint Special Operations Command Countering Weapons of Mass Destruction Coordination Cell. Additionally, he helped establish the Joint Interagency Task Force - National Capital Region (JIATF-NCR). Furthermore, he served as a Joint Special Operations Command Special Liaison Officer in the White House for both President Bush and President Obama. Oscar has a vast network throughout the US Government, industry, and academia to ensure technologies and capabilities are recognized as available resources and solutions to current requirements and future challenges. His core competencies include identification of market opportunities, competition and market assessments, monitoring and influencing programs of record, key contacts and relationships with national level decision makers, capture planning, and proposal development.

Oscar's final assignment in the U.S. Navy was the Commodore, Task Force 52, located in the Kingdom of Bahrain. His Task Force was comprised of 2700+ multi-national military members and civilians ensuring free-flow of global maritime commerce through three strategic maritime choke-points in Middle East. He developed an advanced unmanned systems innovation plan to employ unmanned systems in multi-domain maritime operating environment, laying foundation to establish the US Navy's first-ever unmanned / Artificial Intelligence (AI) Task Force. He co-lead the creation of Digital Ocean—Undersea Tactical Common Operating Picture and Program of Record by collaborating with industry, academia, and intelligence communities. This Program of Record is a cloud-based central data repository for underwater imagery that enables U.S. Department of Defense, intelligence agencies, and foreign allies to deconflict operating areas within undersea domain.

During his military career he conducted numerous deployments in all seven continents of the world, and maintains an active Top Secret security clearance. He has a Bachelor of Science from Wayland Baptist University and a Master of Arts in National Security and Strategic Studies from the U.S. Naval War College. In 2015, he was selected as a Vice Admiral James Stockdale Leadership Award finalist.