

## Master Chief Petty Officer Kyle Takakjian, USCGR



Master Chief Takakjian was selected to serve as the 1<sup>st</sup> District's Reserve Command Master Chief effective April 1, 2008. He enlisted in the Coast Guard Reserve in January of 1984.

After Boot Camp, Master Chief Takakjian attended MK "A" School in Yorktown Va. Along with assorted engineering related "C" schools, Takakjian is also a graduate of the Chief Petty Officers Academy Reserve Class and the Senior Enlisted Capstone Course.

After graduation, his first tour of duty was with Coast Guard Station Chatham, Mass. In Chatham, he served as a small boat engineer and crewman on the 44-foot utility boat. Master Chief Takakjian next reported to Reserve unit Vessels New Bedford where he provided engineering support to the area's 270-foot Cutters and MAT Team. Master Chief Takakjian was then assigned to Coast Guard Cutter *Monomoy* and served as an underway engineer of the watch, crewman and boarding team member. Beginning in 2003 Master Chief has worked out of rate concentrating in the professional development of our workforce. In July of 2003, Master Chief Takakjian was selected to serve a two-year EAD tour as one of the first Company Chief Petty Officers with the "Chief's in the Barracks" program at the Coast Guard Academy. Returning to the SELRES, Master Chief Takakjian has served as an Instructor for the Reserve Personnel Management and Leadership block at the Boat Forces Command Cadre Course in New London, CT until his current assignment.

His military decorations include the Cutterman Insignia, the Meritorious Service Medal, Coast Guard Achievement Medal with "O" Device, Three Commandant's Letter of Commendation Ribbons (2) with "O" devices, Coast Guard Good Conduct Medal, Six Coast Guard Reserve Good Conduct Medal's, The Armed Forces Reserve Medal, and numerous unit and service awards. Master Chief Takakjian also was the recipient of the "Spirit of the Chief" award upon his graduation from the Chief's Academy and is actively involved in the Chief's Mess.

In his civilian occupation, Master Chief Takakjian is a police sergeant with the Truro Police Department in Truro, Mass. Master Chief Takakjian also resides in Truro, Massachusetts and his favorite hobby is flying antique airplanes.