



Commodore Andrei Spence

After taking a degree in Economics, Andrei Spence joined the Royal Navy in 1984 as a Seaman Officer, serving in HM ships FEARLESS, CHIDDINGFOLD and DIOMEDE. He transferred to the Supply and Secretariat branch in 1986, where he held a number of junior staff appointments including at sea (GLASGOW) and ashore (COMCLYDE) and as a Flag Lieutenant to FOF1.

Having been selected for legal training as a Barrister in 1990, he was called to the Bar in 1993. Post qualification saw a return to sea in Logistics Charge onboard HMS CHATHAM before returning ashore as the Staff Legal Advisor to FOST. This appointment was followed by a first posting into the MOD as a member of the Diplomatic group in the Naval Staff from which Andrei was promoted to Commander.

A wide variety of appointments followed in the rank of Commander including EA to FOSF, Naval Prosecuting Authority, Base Logistics Commander Portsmouth, DCDS(Pers) Armed Forces Bill Team and a further appointment within the Secretariat in the Naval Staff.

Promoted to captain in 2009, Spence was appointed to be the RN Managing Prosecutor in the, then, newly formed Tri-Service Prosecuting Authority. This tour was shortened due to being appointed as the Deputy Director Naval Legal Services until he was selected to study at the RCDS in September 2012.

Spence returned to Navy Command Headquarters April 2013 to become Commodore Naval Legal Services.

Andrei is married to Alison and they have two sons.