



Jennifer Boykin

**Executive Vice President, Huntington Ingalls Industries
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Jennifer Boykin is executive vice president of Huntington Ingalls Industries and president of Newport News Shipbuilding in Newport News, Virginia. Named to this position in 2017, she is the 20th person and the first woman to serve as president of the Newport News shipyard, which was founded in 1886 and has approximately \$4 billion in annual revenues.

As president, Boykin leads the operations of Newport News Shipbuilding, the largest industrial employer in Virginia. She has responsibility for more than 20,000 shipbuilders who design, build and maintain the world's most complex ships: nuclear-powered aircraft carriers and nuclear-powered submarines. This includes teams that perform aircraft carrier and submarine maintenance across the United States and globally. She also has responsibility for an industrial subcontract at the Kenneth A. Kesselring Site, a research and development facility in upstate New York that supports the U.S. Navy's nuclear propulsion program.

A native of St. Louis, Boykin earned her bachelor's degree in marine engineering from the U.S. Merchant Marine Academy and her master's degree in engineering management from The George Washington University. Since beginning her career in the nuclear engineering division, she has held progressively responsible positions, including vice president of engineering and design, vice president of quality and process excellence, director of facilities and waterfront support, and program manager for the nuclear engineering division. She also served as a construction superintendent for the aircraft carrier program during construction of USS *John C. Stennis* (CVN 74) and USS *Harry S. Truman* (CVN 75).

In the community, Boykin is committed to workforce development and is a strong advocate for STEM (science, technology, engineering and math) programs. She is a graduate of Lead Virginia and the Hampton Roads Chamber of Commerce leadership program. In 2018 she received the Julian Hirst Alumni Leadership Award from LEAD Hampton Roads. Boykin is vice chair of Blueprint Virginia and serves on the Hampton Roads Business Roundtable's executive committee. She is also a member of Greater Peninsula NOW, the Virginia Business Council and Reinvent Hampton Roads. In 2017, Boykin was appointed by Gov. Terry McAuliffe to serve on the Commonwealth of Virginia's Growth and Opportunity Board.

About Newport News Shipbuilding:

Newport News Shipbuilding (NNS), a division of Huntington Ingalls Industries, is the nation's sole designer, builder and refueler of nuclear-powered aircraft carriers and one of only two shipyards capable of designing and building nuclear-powered submarines. NNS also provides fleet services for naval ships and recently expanded its nuclear and manufacturing expertise into Department of Energy and alternative energy business ventures. Headquartered in Newport News, Virginia, the shipyard's vast facilities span more than 550 acres along two miles of waterfront on the historic James River. It is the largest industrial employer in Virginia, employing more than 20,000 people, many of whom are third and fourth generation shipbuilders. For more information, please visit

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