



Jason M. Ward

Vice President

Columbia-Class Submarine Construction

Jason M. Ward is vice president of *Columbia*-Class Submarine Construction for Newport News Shipbuilding, a division of Huntington Ingalls Industries, located in Newport News, Va. Named to this position in 2018, he is responsible for company-wide management, leadership, and cost, schedule, and technical performance of the *Columbia*-Class Construction Program.

Ward joined the company in 2014 as the deputy program director of AP1000 Shield Building Fabrication at Newport News Industrial. In this role, he was responsible for oversight of all business, program and operational initiatives of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers (ASME) Nuclear Quality Assurance (NQA-1) - commercial nuclear program. Ward has also served as director of Integrated Digital Shipbuilding (iDS), responsible for leading development, funding and execution of digital projects to support deployment of an integrated operational plan. Prior to his current appointment, Ward served as director of *Columbia* Construction and was responsible for the design, engineering, program management, planning and construction of the Navy's next ballistic missile submarine. Prior to joining NNS, Ward served as vice president for Geodesicx, a technology solutions company, and held numerous leadership roles for General Dynamics Electric Boat.

Ward earned a bachelor's degree in mechanical engineering from Pennsylvania State University and a master's degree in business administration from the College of William and Mary. He also holds a Project Management Professional certification from the Project Management Institute and is a veteran of the United States Marine Corps.

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 23,000 people, many of whom are third and fourth generation shipbuilders. For more information, please visit www.huntingtoningalls.com.

