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LAW CENTER'S GROWTH PROMPTS  
CREATION OF NEW POST--  
RET. REAR ADMIRAL SELECTED

Retired Coast Guard Rear Admiral David Lauth has been selected to be the San Diego Law Center's first Administrator.

Because of the center's growth, the position was created to coordinate its projects and manage its funds, explained Law School Dean Sheldon Krantz.

USD established the Law Center four years ago along with the San Diego County Bar Association to improve legal services and the legal profession in the San Diego region. As a result, the center operates neighborhood mediation centers, attorney training programs, a dispute resolution center for businesses and other innovations.

Lauth was chosen for the administrative job from more than 100 applicants nationwide. He "brings an impressive array of administrative credentials to the job," Krantz noted.

In addition to his Coast Guard career, Lauth was:

-- Executive vice president of Raritan Valley Regional Chamber of Commerce in Middlesex County, New Jersey.

-- Vice president of fleet operations for Holland America Cruises.

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-- Maritime consultant to the U.S. Department of Transportation.

In the Coast Guard, Lauth was commander of the 14th Coast Guard District, making him responsible for directing all Guard operations in Hawaii and the Western Pacific.

Earlier, Lauth was in charge of the Coast Guard's boating safety program in Washington, D.C., where he was responsible for developing and implementing federal regulations for boat and equipment safety standards.

The El Cajon resident is vice president of the Family (counseling) Service Association of San Diego and an United Way oversight committee member.

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