

## **Executive Biographies**

## **Kimberly Nastasi**

Director, Communications & Community Engagement

Kimberly Nastasi, IOM, CAE, is Director of Communications & Community Engagement for Ingalls Shipbuilding. Kimberly is responsible for the strategic alignment between internal and external communications, community engagements, trade shows and special events.

Prior to joining Ingalls, Nastasi was the Chief Executive Officer of the Mississippi Gulf Coast Chamber of Commerce, Inc. and Executive Director for the



Mississippi Gulf Coast Chamber of Commerce Foundation. She currently serves on the Executive Committee for the University of Southern Mississippi Foundation.

Nastasi is a Past Chair of the Winter Board of Regents, Past Board of Trustee Executive Committee Member, faculty member and Past Chair of the Curriculum Committee for Institute for Organization Management, a program of the United States Chamber of Commerce Foundation. Nastasi served as a member of the United States Chamber of Commerce Committee of 100 from 2014-2016.

A graduate of the University of Southern Mississippi, Kimberly obtained both her bachelor's and master's degrees in the field of Communication with an emphasis in Speech and she has a corporate communication certificate from Cornell University. She also studied Spanish at the Universidad de Cemanahuac in Cuernavaca, Mexico.

Kimberly, a Certified Association Executive, is a graduate of the Goldman Sachs 10,000 Small Businesses program, the Gulf Coast Business Council's Master's Program, Leadership Gulf Coast, and Leadership Mississippi. She is the co-founder of Coast Young Professionals and a past participant of Rotary International's Group Study Exchange program where she spent time in Brazil.

As an active member of the community, Kimberly was recognized by The Sun Herald as one of South Mississippi's Outstanding Community Leaders, by the Coast Young Professionals as a Forever Young and Hall of Fame recipient, Top 50 Business Women in Mississippi, by the Mississippi Business Journal and as Executive Director of the Year by Hands On Mississippi in 2015.

Employing more than 11,000 employees, HII's Ingalls Shipbuilding division is the largest manufacturing employer in Mississippi and a major contributor to the economic growth of Alabama. For nearly 85 years, Ingalls has designed, built and maintained amphibious ships, destroyers, and cutters for the U.S. Navy and the U.S. Coast Guard. The largest supplier of U.S. Navy surface combatants, Ingalls is simultaneously building four classes of ships and has pioneered the development and production of technologically advanced, highly capable ships for the surface Navy fleet for decades. Our shipbuilders are honored to build tomorrow's fleet today.