



Biography

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Nicolette Nye is the Vice President of Communications and Industry Affairs for the National Ocean Industries Association (NOIA) in Washington, DC. In addition to managing communications and media relations for NOIA, Nicolette runs the Safety in Seas Awards program and staffs the Health, Safety, Security and Environment Committee as well as the Offshore Renewables Committee.

Nicolette joined the staff of NOIA in 2008, after nearly a decade at the Department of the Interior's Minerals Management Service (MMS). During this time she held several public affairs positions both in Washington, DC and Herndon, VA, and handled communications related to oil and gas, mineral resource, and renewable energy activities on the Outer Continental Shelf. She began her federal career in public affairs at the Consumer Product Safety Commission in Bethesda, MD, covering sports-related injuries, fire safety and fireworks safety.

A retired Navy Chief Petty Officer, Nicolette served her final two military tours in Hawaii, where she was Senior Journalist for the Commander in Chief, U.S. Pacific Command and Force Journalist for the Commander Submarine Force Pacific. She served two tours in Japan as a broadcast journalist at the Far East Network in both Misawa and Yokota, and earned a 1st Place Chief of Naval Information Award and a 2nd Place Thomas Jefferson Award for her radio news series on domestic violence. Nicolette began her journalism career as sports-editor for *The Gator*, the base newspaper at Naval Amphibious Base, Little Creek, Virginia.

Born in London, England, Nicolette is a naturalized U.S. Citizen. She graduated from Wayland Baptist University with a B.S. in Business Administration. Nicolette serves on The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) Ocean Energy Advisory Board (OEAB).