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# ALLEN ADKINS

**Resume**

**WRITER - DIRECTOR - PRODUCER - ADVISOR**

**Hobbies / Interests**

Comics / Graphic Novels  
Sci-Fi / Horror television  
Short film festivals  
Movie posters collecting  
Legos  
Video Games

**EDUCATION**

**United States Merchant Marine Academy**

B.S. Marine Engineering Systems  
1991-1995  
Kings Point, New York

**U.S. Army Command & General Staff College**

M.A. Military Foreign Affairs and Strategy  
2007-2008  
Fort Leavenworth, Kansas

**University of Washington**

Courses in Cinema and Media Studies  
Screenwriting, Directing  
2021-2024  
Seattle, WA

**Screenwriting Accolades**

*Breaking Up* (Thriller short)  
Winner of ArtsUp LA Veteran  
Short Film Project. Selected for  
production (in-progress).

*A Simple Question* (Drama short)  
Semi-Finalist, 2024 Stowe Story  
Labs \$50K Production Grant  
Quarterfinalist, 2023 Hollyshorts

*Vigilant* (Horror short)  
Quarterfinalist & Recommend,  
2025 Killer Shorts  
2025 Coverfly Red List

*Before the Snow* (1 page drama)  
Winner, Script Hive contest  
Award: Copy of FD13

**Summary of Screenwriting/Industry Experience**

- **Veteran’s Short Film Project (ArtsUp LA)** - overall winner of 6 week program to develop a short film script on a \$15K budget.
- **Du Nord Films.** Production of short film. Writing comedy pilot.
- **J5 Films.** Co-writer of *Hawkers* (teenage comedy).
- **Killer Shorts.** Provided coverage for short scripts.
- **Comedy Writing for Television.** Wrote and pitched a television pilot. Final project: writer’s room member, supporting a show runner, tasked to write an episode of her series.
- **Basic Screenwriting.** Course focused on writing a short film. Final project: served as Producer, leading the team and supporting the writer in developing her script.
- **Advanced Screenwriting.** Lead writer for a short screenplay (*A Simple Question*). Script in production (Du Nord).
- **Directing Actors.** Learned methods of directing focused on actor feedback and support. Filmed various scenes for feedback, learning.
- **JAG. Technical advisor, season 3 (Tiger, Tiger).**

Software experience: Final Draft 12 and 13

## **Professional Work Experience**

### **Veteran's Short Film Project, Art'sUp LA**

2025-Present, Los Angeles, CA (Remote)

Selected from hundreds of entries as **1 of 10 writers** to take part in a 6 week program to develop a short film script. My script was chosen as the "winner", set for production on a \$15K budget. Weekly meetings focused on short film production, screenwriting. Initial program **paired me with an industry Producer** (Logan Taylor, Taylor Made Films - Austin, TX) who served as a mentor. Currently paired with mentor **Director** (Brian Hanson) who provides notes for re-write. Stipend provided for script work, re-writes.

### **Killer Shorts Screenplay Site & Competition**

2025-Present, Remote

Provide **coverage** for horror genre short scripts. Tasked with providing feedback, grades, and a call of pass, consider or recommend.

### **Du Nord Film**

2025-Present, Minnesota (Remote)

Producing short film from my script (*A Simple Question*). Developing comedy series (*The Club*) where I will serve as **writer for pilot**. On site visit to Stillwater, MN (Jan 2026) for research, meet & greet.

### **Department Chair/Professor/Commander, Naval ROTC Unit, University of Washington**

2021-2024, Seattle, WA

Commanding Officer (Director) of one of the first of six Naval Officer Training Units in the country, responsible for education and training of future Navy and Marine Corps Officers. Taught capstone course (Naval Science 402) in **Leadership and Ethics**. Served on a number of UW Faculty Councils, covering subject such as academic standards, admission programs, and honors recognition. As Department Chair, led a staff of 10 Officers and civilians overseeing all aspects of education, training and leadership development of over 80 students. **Managed a budget** of \$75K in operations and over \$1.5M in tuition and fees. Also led Nursing Program unit based at Seattle University.

### **Deputy Commander & Commodore, Coastal Riverine Group One**

2019-2021, Imperial Beach, CA

Commander responsible to man, train, and equip over 2,100 Coastal Riverine Force personnel to execute missions across four continents. **Operating budget of \$30M**. Team leader of a Navy Expeditionary Battle Staff / Expeditionary forces. Positive marks every year in **Command Climate**.

### **Manning, HR and Logistics Branch Head, SMWDC**

2016-2019, San Diego, CA

Branch head for corporate operations – lead for both military and civilian manpower, HR, supply and logistics functions at Surface and Mine Warfare Development Center (SMWDC). **Oversaw all aspects of the \$23.5M yearly budget**, including civilian pay and all command travel. Lead planner for multi-year \$20M project to build new work/training spaces. Served as temporary Chief of Staff during his absence.

### **Executive & Commanding Officer, LCS Crew 203 (USS CORONADO, USS JACKSON)**

2010-2016, San Diego, CA

Leader of Littoral Combat Ship (LCS) Crew 203 for the LCS-2 Variant Littoral Combat Ship. Employment during tenure included the delivery and commissioning of two different ships, the USS CORONADO (LCS 4) and USS JACKSON (LCS 6). Developed operational standards for new ship class. **Executive Officer functions as Chief of Staff of crew, direct support to the Commanding Officer**. Operational experience included multiple testing events, including work with civilian company leads for testing ship capabilities.

### **NATO Planner, UK Maritime Battle Staff**

2008-2010, Portsmouth, England

Joint Operations, Training and Planning Officer for Commander of United Kingdom Maritime Forces, based out of Portsmouth, England. Supported numerous NATO exercises as **part of the operations/planning** cell. Deployed with the staff as part of Combined Task Force 158 – the US, UK & Australian maritime mission to provide infrastructure protection of the Iraqi oil platforms, as well as training of Iraqi Navy and Marines. Developed multi-week training event for staff certification.

### **Afloat Mission Planning System Officer-In-Charge (Atlantic), US Second Fleet**

2005-2007, Norfolk, VA

Officer in Charge at Tomahawk Land Attack Missile (TLAM) Afloat Mission Planning System Operational Support Division, Atlantic. **Led a group of over 60 planners** in support of five carrier strike groups. Worked directly with Strategic Command (STRATCOM) led Cruise Missile Support Activity Atlantic.

### **Weapons Officer/Combat Systems Department Head, USS SHILOH (CG 67)**

2002-2005, San Diego, CA

Served as Weapons Officer and Combat Systems Officer onboard USS SHILOH (CG 67). Led departments with over 120 Sailors in the management and operation of all onboard Combat Systems. While underway, served as the Commanding Officer's lead Tactical Action Officer, as well as the Carrier Strike Groups Force Air Defense Officer. Led the ship's integrated training team – overseeing all aspects of the ship's training schedule/planning. Designated as the Senior Watch Officer for the ship – responsible for all aspects of watch training/rotations onboard USS SHILOH. **Direct manager of over 20 ship programs** (i.e. safety, training, qualifications). Operations included two deployments, supporting Operation Enduring Freedom in US Fifth Fleet and tsunami relief efforts in Indonesia.

### **Staff Officer, US Sixth Fleet**

2000-2002. Gaeta, Italy

Served as the TLAM strike officer assistant for Commander, US Sixth Fleet – the US Navy's operational Command in the European theater. **Daily briefing support to the Admiral.** Worked onboard the USS LASALLE (AGF 3), forward deployed to the Mediterranean and home ported in Gaeta, Italy. Took part in exercises and port visits with numerous countries, including France, Spain, Morocco, Slovenia, Croatia, Turkey, and Malta.

### **Electrical Officer/Main Propulsion Assistant, USS JOHN A MOORE (FFG 19)**

1996-1998, San Diego, CA

Served as a division officer onboard USS JOHN A MOORE (FFG 19), second to Chief Engineer. Was responsible for up to 80 Sailors, overseeing all aspects of maintenance and operations of the ship's two gas turbine engines and associated equipment. Earned qualifications to serve as the Engineering Officer of the Watch, as well as the ship's underway Officer of the Deck. Made one deployment to South America in support of USCG and counter drug operations. Served as one of the **technical advisors** to television crew of **JAG (Season 3, Episode 18 Tiger, Tiger)**.

### **Military Awards and Honors**

Defense Meritorious Service Medal (2)

Meritorious Service Medal (3)

Joint Commendation Medal

Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medal (4)

Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal

**Humanitarian Assistance Medal**

National Defense Service Medal