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Steven E. Spears was born in 1944 in Portland, Oregon. He holds a bachelors degree from Brigham Young University and masters degrees from Temple University and the Naval War College.

He joined the Naval Criminal Investigative Service (NCIS) in 1974 and has served in a variety of assignments including Special Agent in Charge (SAC) at NCIS offices in Newport, Rhode Island and Yokohama, Japan, as well as a division head assignment in the Counterintelligence Directorate at NCIS Headquarters in Washington, D.C.

As SAC of the San Francisco Field Office since January 9, 1995, Special Agent Spears supervises the criminal investigative and counterintelligence activities for eight Naval Criminal Investigative Service offices, covering Colorado, Utah, Nevada and Northern California. The San Francisco Field Office is housed in the federal complex located in Alameda, California.

Special Agent Spears most immediate task is the consolidation of Bay area operations into the field office, as a result of the pending closure of naval facilities at NAS Alameda and Mare Island Naval Shipyard. Despite the closure of those bases, NCIS will maintain a cadre of some thirty special agents in the Bay area to handle significant procurement fraud, workers' compensation fraud and counterintelligence activities.

Special Agent Spears comes to San Francisco from the Central Intelligence Agency, where he served for one year, first as the Deputy Chief of Community Group in the Counterintelligence Center, and then as the first Chief of the Program Integration Office in the newly created National Counterintelligence Center. His group was responsible for providing strategic guidance and oversight to worldwide counter-espionage operations and developing community-wide counterintelligence training and implementing awareness briefing programs for both the private and public sectors.

Special Agent Spears served from 1993-1994 as the first SAC of the Washington Field Office, with ninety special agents and offices in Maryland, Virginia and Washington, DC. From 1990 to 1993, he was assigned to the staff of the Director Naval Intelligence as the Special Assistant for Counterintelligence, responsible for the development of counterintelligence policy for the Department of the Navy.

He and his wife, Mary Margaret, are the parents of five children.