



COAT OF ARMS

USS TICONDEROGA (CG 47)

BLAZON

SHIELD: Azure, on a bend argent four mullets of the first; on a chief embattled gules, fimbriated of the second, a lion passant guardant or.

CREST: On a wreath of the colors, six spearheads barbed argent, surmounted at center by an escutcheon azure charged with a mullet or.

SYMBOLISM

SHIELD: The history of the name **TICONDEROGA** and of the four ships which have borne that name is represented by the symbols on the shield. The name **TICONDEROGA** is from the Iroquois Indian word meaning "between two waters" and is symbolized by the white band separating the blue lower half of the shield. The four dark blue stars symbolize the previous four ships bearing the name **TICONDEROGA**. The historical capture of Fort Ticonderoga is commemorated by the embattled partition line with the gold lion on the red field above it signifying our British adversary during the Revolutionary War. The motto "FIRST AEGIS CRUISER" emphasizes the significance of the new combat system and the ship which carries it.

CREST: The AEGIS Weapon System, a new dimension in surface ship combat systems which has as its motto "Shield of the the Fleet", is symbolized by the blue shield of a shape distinctive to the AEGIS System. The single gold star represents CG 47, the fifth ship to bear the name **TICONDEROGA** and the first combatant to carry the shield to sea. The spears extending from the shield reflect **TICONDEROGA'S** mighty offensive armament capabilities and unparalleled firepower which permit her to operate in a multithreat environment and take on any air, surface, and subsurface target which the Battle Group might encounter.

MOTTO: On a scroll azure, doubled argent, the words "FIRST AEGIS CRUISER" in letters argent.

SEAL: The coat of arms in full color as in the blazon. All upon a white background and enclosed within a dark blue border with straight sides arched at the top and bottom, edged on the outside with gold chain and bearing the name "**USS TICONDEROGA**" at top and "**CG 47**" in base all in gold.