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OF STATE



## *Salaries of Secretaries of State, 1945–2021*

<i>State</i>	<i>1945</i>	<i>1953</i>	<i>1967</i>	<i>1978</i>	<i>1991</i>	<i>2002</i>	<i>2014</i>	<i>2021</i>
Alabama	\$4,800	\$6,000	\$12,000	\$22,959	\$36,234	\$66,722	\$85,248	\$94,453
Alaska		\$13,500	\$24,900	\$44,000	\$76,000	\$77,712	\$115,000	\$114,991
Arizona	\$5,500	\$7,200	\$13,000	\$22,000	\$50,000	\$70,000	\$70,000	\$70,000
Arkansas	\$4,000	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$22,500	\$22,500	\$43,000	\$54,305	\$98,371
California	\$5,000	\$14,000	\$25,000	\$35,000	\$87,068	\$123,750	\$130,490	\$157,310
Colorado	\$4,000	\$8,000	\$10,000	\$25,000	\$48,500	\$68,500	\$68,500	\$93,360
Connecticut	\$6,000	\$8,000	\$15,000	\$20,000	\$50,000	\$50,000	\$110,000	\$110,000
Delaware	\$6,000	\$8,000	\$15,000	\$19,900	\$69,900	\$103,900	\$127,590	\$132,011
Florida	\$7,500	\$12,500	\$29,000	\$40,000	\$94,040	\$116,056	\$140,000	\$146,260
Georgia	\$6,000	\$7,500	\$28,600	\$35,000	\$71,184	\$112,776	\$130,690	\$123,637
Hawaii		\$14,040	\$27,500	\$45,000	\$90,041	\$90,041	\$140,220	\$162,552
Idaho	\$4,000	\$5,000	\$12,500	\$21,500	\$62,500	\$80,000	\$101,150	\$117,557
Illinois	\$9,000	\$16,000	\$20,000	\$42,500	\$82,294	\$123,700	\$156,541	\$160,800
Indiana	\$7,500	\$11,500	\$16,500	\$23,500	\$46,000	\$66,000	\$76,892	\$89,514
Iowa	\$5,000	\$7,000	\$16,000	\$22,500	\$60,000	\$82,940	\$103,212	\$103,212
Kansas	\$3,000	\$7,500	\$11,500	\$20,000	\$56,000	\$74,148	\$86,003	\$86,003
Kentucky	\$4,000	\$6,000	\$12,000	\$29,240	\$62,000	\$82,521	\$117,329	\$129,375
Louisiana	\$5,000	\$16,800	\$18,700	\$35,000	\$60,169	\$85,000	\$115,000	\$115,000
Maine	\$4,000	\$7,000	\$12,500	\$20,000	\$44,590	\$65,000	\$69,264	\$81,910
Maryland	\$2,000	\$2,000	\$12,000	\$30,000	\$70,000	\$70,000	\$87,500	\$105,500
Massachusetts	\$7,000	\$9,000	\$20,000	\$30,000	\$60,000	\$120,000	\$130,262	\$178,695
Michigan	\$7,500	\$12,500	\$30,000	\$45,000	\$89,000	\$124,900	\$112,410	\$112,410
Minnesota	\$6,300	\$11,000	\$20,500	\$30,000	\$59,988	\$66,169	\$89,877	\$95,722
Mississippi	\$4,500	\$8,250	\$16,000	\$28,000	\$54,000	\$75,000	\$90,000	\$90,000
Missouri	\$7,500	\$7,500	\$15,000	\$25,000	\$72,327	\$90,471	\$107,746	\$107,746
Montana	\$4,200	\$5,500	\$10,500	\$18,000	\$35,030	\$67,512	\$88,099	\$98,104
Nebraska	\$5,000	\$6,500	\$12,500	\$25,000	\$52,000	\$65,000	\$85,000	\$85,000
Nevada	\$3,600	\$6,600	\$15,000	\$25,000	\$50,500	\$80,000	\$102,898	\$112,462
New Hampshire	\$4,500	\$8,050	\$16,000	\$25,216	\$60,410	\$76,603	\$105,930	\$105,930
New Jersey	\$10,000	\$13,000	\$23,000	\$43,000	\$95,000	\$137,165	\$141,000	\$175,000
New Mexico	\$3,000	\$8,400	\$12,500	\$30,000	\$65,000	\$65,000	\$85,000	\$85,000
New York	\$12,000	\$15,000	\$32,265	\$47,800	\$87,338	\$120,800	\$120,800	\$160,000
North Carolina	\$6,600	\$10,000	\$20,000	\$32,544	\$75,252	\$94,552	\$124,676	\$136,699
North Dakota	\$3,300	\$5,000	\$11,000	\$22,500	\$49,300	\$68,000	\$96,794	\$110,582
Ohio	\$6,500	\$12,000	\$25,000	\$38,000	\$73,860	\$90,725	\$109,986	\$121,576
Oklahoma	\$3,000	\$6,000	\$12,600	\$18,500	\$42,500	\$90,000	\$140,000	\$140,000
Oregon	\$5,400	\$10,000	\$21,000	\$35,090	\$61,500	\$72,000	\$76,992	\$77,000
Pennsylvania	\$10,000	\$15,000	\$25,000	\$35,000	\$72,000	\$102,343	\$135,228	\$145,244
Rhode Island	\$6,500	\$9,000	\$15,000	\$25,500	\$52,000	\$80,000	\$108,808	\$117,637
South Carolina	\$5,600	\$7,500	\$15,000	\$34,000	\$72,000	\$92,007	\$92,007	\$92,007
South Dakota	\$3,000	\$6,000	\$10,800	\$22,500	\$42,961	\$64,812	\$83,135	\$94,906
Tennessee	\$5,000	\$7,800	\$17,500	\$41,280	\$65,000	\$127,308	\$190,260	\$209,520
Texas	\$6,000	\$6,000	\$24,000	\$39,900	\$72,500	\$117,546	\$125,880	\$197,415
Utah	\$4,500	\$7,200	\$13,000	\$26,500	\$52,500	\$78,200	\$104,000	\$149,040
Vermont	\$3,900	\$6,500	\$13,000	\$19,600	\$50,800	\$75,317	\$95,139	\$116,730
Virginia	\$4,000	\$5,720	\$13,000	\$20,000	\$54,000	\$128,479	\$152,793	\$176,730
Washington	\$3,000	\$8,500	\$15,000	\$21,400	\$52,600	\$89,004	\$116,950	\$134,640
West Virginia	\$6,000	\$7,250	\$17,000	\$30,000	\$43,500	\$65,000	\$95,000	\$95,000
Wisconsin	\$5,000	\$8,000	\$13,500	\$13,500	\$45,088	\$62,549	\$68,566	\$72,551
Wyoming	\$4,800	\$8,400	\$15,000	\$23,000	\$52,500	\$110,000	\$92,000	\$92,000
Guam		\$10,800			\$70,000	\$85,000	\$85,000	\$85,000
Puerto Rico		\$15,000			\$65,500		\$125,000	\$125,000
Virgin Island		\$8,800			\$57,600	\$75,000	\$75,000	\$125,000

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## *The Longest Serving Secretaries of State*

<b>52 Years</b>		
Eure, Thaddeus A.	North Carolina	1936–1989
<b>46 Years</b>		
Gardner, William M.	New Hampshire	1976–2022
LaFollette, Douglas	Wisconsin	1974–1979, 1982–2023
<b>34 Years</b>		
Cenarrusa, Pete T.	Idaho	1967–2002
Meier, Ben	North Dakota	1955–1988
<b>32 Years</b>		
Forston, Ben W., Jr.	Georgia	1946–1979
Ladner, Heber A.	Mississippi	1948–1980
Martin, Wade O., Jr.	Louisiana	1944–1976
<b>31 Years</b>		
Holm, Mike	Minnesota	1921–1952
<b>30 Years</b>		
Gray, R. A.	Florida	1930–1961
Jaeger, Alvin A.	North Dakota	1993–2023
Synhorst, Melvin D.	Iowa	1949–1965, 1967–1980
<b>29 Years</b>		
Galvin, William	Massachusetts	1995–present
Jordan, Frank C.	California	1911–1940
<b>28 Years</b>		
Bolin, Wesley	Arizona	1949–1977
Brown, Ted W.	Ohio	1951–1979
Carr, Joe C.	Tennessee	1941–1944, 1945–1949, 1957–1977
Cook, Frederic W.	Massachusetts	1921–1949
Crawford, H. Clay	Florida	1902–1929
Fuller, Enoch D.	New Hampshire	1929–1957
Thornton, Oscar Frank	South Carolina	1950–1978
<b>27 Years</b>		
Jordan, Frank M.	California	1943–1970
Marshall, Elaine	North Carolina	1997–present
<b>26 Years</b>		
Blackwell, W. P.	South Carolina	1924–1950
Koontz, John	Nevada	1947–1973
Power, J. W.	Mississippi	1901–1926
<b>24 Years</b>		
Austin, Richard H.	Michigan	1971–1994
Beermann, Allen J.	Nebraska	1971–1995
Grove, Joan Anderson	Minnesota	1975–1999
Hall, C. G. “Crip”	Arkansas	1937–1961
Murray, Frank	Montana	1957–1981
Thomson, Thyra	Wyoming	1963–1987

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*The Longest Serving Secretaries of State continued*

<b>23 Years</b>		
White, Jesse C.	Illinois	1999–2022
<b>22 Years</b>		
Grimes, John Bryan	North Carolina	1901–1923
Hall, Thomas	North Dakota	1913–1924, 1943–1954
Mitchell, Sam W.	Montana	1933–1955
Ryan, Frank J.	Kansas	1923–1929, 1933–1949
Wood, Walker A.	Mississippi	1926–1948
<b>21 Years</b>		
Hammond, Mark	South Carolina	2003–present
<b>20 Years</b>		
Cook, Philip	Georgia	1898–1918
Kirkpatrick, James C.	Missouri	1965–1985
Munro, Ralph	Washington	1981–2001
Myrick, Rawson C.	Vermont	1927–1947
Olin, William M.	Massachusetts	1891–1911
Zimmerman, Fred R.	Wisconsin	1923–1927, 1939–1954
<b>19 Years</b>		
Fong Eu, March	California	1975–1994
Gale, John	Nebraska	2000–2019
<b>18 Years</b>		
Conway, Martha Bell	Virginia	1952–1970
Goss, Harold I.	Maine	1942–1961
Marsh, Frank (Son of late Frank Marsh)	Nebraska	1953–1971
McKeithen, W. Fox	Louisiana	1988–2005
Zimmerman, Robert C.	Wisconsin	1957–1974
<b>16 Years</b>		
Armstrong, Howard E.	Vermont	1949–1965
Bailey, James J.	Louisiana	1916–1932
Connolly, Michael	Massachusetts	1978–1994
Cote, Armand H.	Rhode Island	1941–1957
Darnell, Riley C.	Tennessee	1993–2009
Donovan, Joseph L.	Minnesota	1955–1971
Hare, James D.	Michigan	1955–1970
Haston, Ernest N.	Tennessee	1921–1937
Hazeltine, Joyce	South Dakota	1987–2003
Hechler, Ken	West Virginia	1985–2000
Jones, B. O.	Virginia	1910–1926
Marsh, Frank	Nebraska	1927–1933, 1941–1951
O’Brien, William Smith	West Virginia	1932–1948
Pearson, Edward N.	New Hampshire	1899–1915
Stark, Robert L.	New Hampshire	1960–1976

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<b>15 Years</b>		
Bennett, Charles P.	Rhode Island	1894–1909
Bullock, Jeffrey	Delaware	2009–present
Hargett, Tre	Tennessee	2009–present
Parker, J. Fred	Rhode Island	1909–1924
Sanchez-Vilella, Roberto	Puerto Rico	1949–1964
Shanahan, Paul R.	Kansas	1951–1966
Thornburgh, Ron	Kansas	1995–2010
Wilson, John B.	Georgia	1931–1946
<b>14 Years</b>		
Crowell, Gentry	Tennessee	1977–1990
Dunlap, Matthew	Maine	2005–2011, 2013–2021
Greathouse, W. G.	Nevada	1923–1937
Hinkle, J. Grant	Washington	1920–1933
LaFrance, August P.	Rhode Island	1959–1973
Schmahl, Julius A.	Minnesota	1907–1921
Swackhamer, William	Nevada	1973–1987
<b>13 Years</b>		
Cleland, Max	Georgia	1983–1996
<b>12 Years</b>		
Anderson, Byron A.	Colorado	1963–1974
Baker, George	Colorado	1949–1953, 1955–1963
Becker, Charles U.	Missouri	1921–1933
Bennett, Jim	Alabama	1993–2003, 2013–2015
Brier, Jack	Kansas	1978–1987
Brodigan, George	Nevada	1911–1922
Brown, Dwight H.	Missouri	1933–1944
Bryant, Kelly	Arkansas	1963–1975
Bysiewicz, Susan	Connecticut	1999–2011
Campbell, John T.	South Carolina	1979–1990
Clark, Eric	Mississippi	1996–2008
Condos, James	Vermont	2011–2023
Cooney, Mike	Montana	1989–2001
Curran, Thomas J.	New York	1943–1955
Curry, Charles F.	California	1899–1911
Damman, Theodore	Wisconsin	1927–1939
Douglas, James	Vermont	1981–1993
Emmerson, Louis L.	Illinois	1917–1929
Grasso, Ella T.	Connecticut	1959–1971
Heller, Dean	Nevada	1995–2007
Hosemann, Jr., C. Delbert	Mississippi	2008–2020
Markowitz, Deborah	Vermont	1999–2011
Martin, Thomas F.	New Jersey	1915–1926
Meyer, Natalie	Colorado	1983–1995
Miles, James Melvin	South Carolina	1991–2002
Miller, Clyde L.	Utah	1965–1977

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*The Longest Serving Secretaries of State continued*

12 Years continued		
Mofford, Rose	Arizona	1977–1988
Molpus, Dick	Mississippi	1984–1996
Reed, Sam	Washington	2000–2012
Shaffer, Gail S.	New York	1983–1995
Shanahan, Elwill M.	Kansas	1966–1978
Stovall, Thelma	Kentucky	1955–1959, 1963–1967, 1971–1975
Toberman, Walter H.	Missouri	1949–1960
Toronto, Lamont F.	Utah	1953–1965
Vigil–Giron, Rebecca	New Mexico	1987–1990, 1999–1990, 1990–2000
Wineland, Fred L.	Maryland	1971–1982
Ysursa, Ben	Idaho	2003–2015
11 Years		
Carpentier, Charles F.	Illinois	1953–1964
Howell, I. M.	Washington	1909–1920
Hughes, Edward J.	Illinois	1933–1944
Merrill, Denise W.	Connecticut	2011–2022
Rose, James A.	Illinois	1901–1912
Saldana, Eduardo J.	Puerto Rico	1922–1933
10 Years		
Adams, Tom	Florida	1961–1971
Baggett, Agnes	Alabama	1951–1954, 1963–1966, 1975–1979
Ball, Frank W.	Maine	1917–1927
Boyd, Byron	Maine	1897–1907
Bradbury, Bill	Oregon	1999–2009
Buchanan, Mary Estill	Colorado	1974–1983
Burns, Robert F.	Rhode Island	1973–1983
Byrne, Robert	North Dakota	1924–1934
Coe, Earl	Washington	1948–1957
Dickinson, Samuel D.	New Jersey	1902–1912
Edgar, Jim	Illinois	1981–1991
Eggleston, David Q.	Virginia	1901–1910
Flynn, Edward J.	New York	1929–1939
Hammond, J. T.	Utah	1896–1905
Kerby, James H.	Arizona	1923–1928, 1933–1938
Kramer, A. Ludlow	Washington	1965–1975
Lomenzo, John P.	New York	1963–1974
Mathis, Thomas A.	New Jersey	1931–1941
McAfee, Robert	Pennsylvania	1905–1915
McCown, R. M.	South Carolina	1906–1916
McCuen, W. J.	Arkansas	1985–1994
Monson, E. E.	Utah	1937–1947
Myers, Clay	Oregon	1967–1977

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<b>10 Years continued</b>		
Newbry, Earl T.	Oregon	1947–1957
Olcott, Ben W.	Oregon	1911–1920
Quinn, Rodney S.	Maine	1979–1988
Ramsey, W. C.	Iowa	1919–1928
Reeves, Belle	Washington	1938–1948
Schaller, Martin	District of Columbia	1969–1978
Stewart, C. T.	Maryland	1925–1935
<b>9 Years</b>		
Cronin, Edward J.	Massachusetts	1949–1958
Kemp, Brian	Georgia	2009–2018
Lawson, Connie	Indiana	2012–2021
McEachin, Malcolm	Nevada	1937–1946
McLendon, S. G.	Georgia	1919–1928
Smith, James C.	Florida	1987–1995, 2002–2003
Sprague, Ernest L.	Rhode Island	1924–1933

## *Secretaries Who Became Governors 1904-2023*

<b>Name</b>	<b>State/Territory</b>	<b>Years as Secretary of State</b>
Benson, Frank	Oregon	1907–1911
Blunt, Matt	Missouri	2001–2004
Bolin, Wesley	Arizona	1949–1977
Brewer, Janice K.	Arizona	2003–2009
Brown, Jerry	California	1971–1975
Brown, Kate	Oregon	2009–2015
Calderon, Sila M.	Puerto Rico	1988–1989
Cayetano, Benjamin J.	Hawaii	1986–1994
Cox, Spencer	Utah	2013–2021
Cuomo, Mario M.	New York	1975–1979
Curtis, Kenneth M.	Maine	1965–1966
Culver, Chester	Iowa	1999–2007
Douglas, James	Vermont	1981–1993
Edgar, Jim	Illinois	1981–1991
Emmerson, Louis	Illinois	1917–1929
Fitzgerald, Frank D.	Michigan	1931–1934
Graves, Bill	Kansas	1987–1995
Green, Josh	Hawaii	2018–2023
Hatfield, Mark	Oregon	1957–1959
Hearnes, Warren E.	Missouri	1961–1965
Herbert, Gary	Utah	2005–2009
Hobbs, Katie	Arizona	2019–2023
Hull, Jane Dee	Arizona	1995–1997
Kelly, Harry F.	Michigan	1939–1942
Kemp, Brian	Georgia	2009–2018
Manchin III, Joe	West Virginia	2000–2004
McCall, Tom	Oregon	1965–1967
Miller, Keith	Alaska	1969–1970
Mofford, Rose	Arizona	1977–1988
Notte, John	Rhode Island	1957–1959
Olcott, Ben	Oregon	1911–1920
Parnell, Sean	Alaska	2007–2009
Peleti Mauga, Lemanu	American Samoa	2013–2021
Roberts, Barbara	Oregon	1985–1991
Rockefeller, John D., IV	West Virginia	1968–1972
Ryan, George	Illinois	1991–1999
Sanchez-Vilella, Roberto	Puerto Rico	1949–1964
Siegelman, Don	Alabama	1979–1987
Snell, Earl	Oregon	1935–1943
Taft, Bob	Ohio	1991–1999
Waihee III, John D.	Hawaii	1983–1986
Walker, Olene S.	Utah	1993–2003
Warner, Fred M.	Michigan	1901–1904
White, Mark W., Jr.	Texas	1973–1977

## *Secretaries Who Became U.S. Senators 1904-2025*

<b><i>Name</i></b>	<b><i>State</i></b>	<b><i>Years as Secretary of State</i></b>
Bayh III, Birch Evan	Indiana	1987–1989
Blunt, Roy	Missouri	1985–1993
Brown, Sherrod	Ohio	1983–1991
Cleland, Max	Georgia	1983–1996
Dixon, Alan J.	Illinois	1977–1981
Hatfield, Mark	Oregon	1957–1959
Heller, Dean	Nevada	1995–2007
Husted, Jon	Ohio	2011-2019
Manchin, Joe	West Virginia	2000–2004
Padilla, Alex	California	2015-2021
Rockefeller IV, John D.	West Virginia	1968–1972
Stone, Richard B.	Florida	1971–1974

## *States Providing NASS Presidents*

<i>State</i>	<i>Year of Presidency</i>
<b>6 Presidents</b>	
Minnesota	1945, 1968, 1980, 2004, 2011, 2024
<b>5 Presidents</b>	
Kansas	1958, 1976, 1984, 2002, 2023
<b>4 Presidents</b>	
Illinois	1923, 1943, 1979, 1989
Rhode Island	1931, 1951, 1970, 1982
Tennessee	1933, 1965, 1981, 2014
Utah	1941, 1964, 1975, 1998
Vermont	1957, 1987, 2007, 2018
<b>3 Presidents</b>	
Arkansas	1952, 1972, 2001
Colorado	1973, 1994, 2005
Indiana	1985, 2008, 2017
Louisiana	1948, 2015, 2021
Mississippi	1946, 1956, 1992
Montana	1969, 1987, 1997
Nebraska	1950, 1963, 1977
North Carolina	1942, 1995, 2015
Oregon	1947, 1954, 2014
Washington	1927, 1991, 2006
<b>2 Presidents</b>	
Alabama	2000, 2012
Arizona	1953, 1983
Connecticut	1990, 2016
Georgia	1940, 1955
Iowa	1961, 2019
Maine	2003, 2011
Massachusetts	1920, 1944
Missouri	1938, 1974
Nevada	1959, 2013
New Hampshire	1935, 1999
New Mexico	2005, 2020
New York	1971, 1993
North Dakota	1934, 1967
South Carolina	1930, 1960
<b>1 President</b>	
California	1949
Florida	1936
Idaho	1929
Kentucky	2010
Maryland	1978
New Jersey	2022
Ohio	1962
Oklahoma	1986

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*States Providing NASS Presidents continued*

1 President continued	
Pennsylvania	2009
South Dakota	1996
Texas	1977
Virginia	1966
West Virginia	1917
Wisconsin	1937
No Presidents	
Alaska	Michigan
Delaware	Wyoming
Hawaii	

## *States That Hosted a NASS Conference*

<b>State</b>	<b>Conference Years</b>
<b>6 Conferences</b>	
California	1927, 1941, 1946, 1950, 1956, 1968
<b>5 Conferences</b>	
Florida	1925, 1934, 1955, 1962, 1978
New York	1936, 1952*, 1960, 1964, 1971
Rhode Island	1926, 1952*, 1970, 2002, 2010
<b>4 Conferences</b>	
Louisiana	1945, 1966, 2004, 2022
Maryland	1942, 1984, 2000, 2014
Utah	1924, 1931, 1958, 1998
<b>3 Conferences</b>	
Illinois	1920, 1933, 1963
Maine	1992, 2003, 2015
Massachusetts	1929, 1957, 1987
Minnesota	1935, 2005, 2009
Missouri	1943, 1979, 1999
Ohio	1915, 1944, 1993
Oregon	1959, 1988, 2007
Puerto Rico	1977, 2012, 2024
<b>2 Conferences</b>	
Alaska	1974, 2013
Arizona	1951, 1961
Colorado	1969, 1989
Connecticut	1952*, 1990
District of Columbia	1919, 2023
Indiana	1985, 2017
Kentucky	1922, 1938
Michigan	1954, 2008
Mississippi	1947, 1982
Montana	1921, 1994
Nevada	1967, 1975
New Hampshire	1939, 1949
New Mexico	2006, 2019
North Carolina	1923, 1991
Pennsylvania	1972, 2018
South Carolina	1948, 1996
South Dakota	1928, 1995
Tennessee	1930, 2016
Washington	1953, 1986
<b>1 Conference</b>	
Alabama	1997
Arkansas	2001
Delaware	1976
Georgia	1940
Hawaii	1965

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*States That Hosted a NASS Conference continued*

1 Conference continued	
Iowa	2021
Kansas	1917
New Jersey	1980
North Dakota	1983
Oklahoma	1981
Texas	1937
Virginia	1973
West Virginia	2011
No Conferences	
Idaho	
Nebraska	
Vermont	
Wisconsin	
Wyoming	

*\*In 1952 three states co-hosted the annual conference.*

## *NASS Dues and Staff*

Sometime after 1939, NASS instituted dues of \$100 a year for each state member. They were paid to the NASS treasurer who could deposit them in a bank he saw fit. In 1968, dues were increased to \$200 a year for each state, and in 1975, they were increased to \$225 a year. At the 1984 annual conference, it was decided to change the dues to a sliding scale and states would be put in one of four groups determined by population. The smallest group of states would pay \$350 a year; the next group \$400; the next group \$450; and the largest states \$500. By 1990, the smallest states paid \$500; the next group \$572; the next group \$644; and the largest \$715.

The following year, 1991, dues were increased to: \$1,000, \$1,500, \$2,000 and \$2,500, according to the four groupings. Dues continued to increase each year in the 1990s according to inflation. By 2000, the dues were \$1,266; \$1,900; \$2,530; and \$3,165, and in 2004, they were \$1,367; \$2,054; \$2,735; and \$3,426. The dues for 2022-2023 are:

<b><i>States in First Group</i></b>	<b><i>2022-2023 Dues</i></b>	<b><i>States in Second Group</i></b>	<b><i>2022-2023 Dues</i></b>
Alaska	\$4,378.00	Hawaii	\$6,618.00
American Samoa	\$4,378.00	Idaho	\$6,618.00
Delaware	\$4,378.00	Kansas	\$6,618.00
District of Columbia	\$4,378.00	Maine	\$6,618.00
Guam	\$4,378.00	Montana	\$6,618.00
North Dakota	\$4,378.00	Mississippi	\$6,618.00
South Dakota	\$4,378.00	Nebraska	\$6,618.00
U.S. Virgin Islands	\$4,378.00	New Hampshire	\$6,618.00
Vermont	\$4,378.00	New Mexico	\$6,618.00
Wyoming	\$4,378.00	Rhode Island	\$6,618.00
		West Virginia	\$6,618.00
<b><i>States in Third Group</i></b>	<b><i>2022-2023 Dues</i></b>	<b><i>States in Fourth Group</i></b>	<b><i>2022-2023 Dues</i></b>
Alabama	\$8,810.00	Arizona	\$11,038.00
Arkansas	\$8,810.00	California	\$11,038.00
Colorado	\$8,810.00	Florida	\$11,038.00
Connecticut	\$8,810.00	Georgia	\$11,038.00
Indiana	\$8,810.00	Illinois	\$11,038.00
Iowa	\$8,810.00	Massachusetts	\$11,038.00
Kentucky	\$8,810.00	Michigan	\$11,038.00
Louisiana	\$8,810.00	New Jersey	\$11,038.00
Maryland	\$8,810.00	New York	\$11,038.00
Minnesota	\$8,810.00	North Carolina	\$11,038.00
Missouri	\$8,810.00	Ohio	\$11,038.00
Nevada	\$8,810.00	Pennsylvania	\$11,038.00
Oklahoma	\$8,810.00	Texas	\$11,038.00
Oregon	\$8,810.00	Virginia	\$11,038.00
Puerto Rico	\$8,810.00	Washington	\$11,038.00
South Carolina	\$8,810.00		
Tennessee	\$8,810.00		
Utah	\$8,810.00		
Wisconsin	\$8,810.00		



### *NASS Staff*

From the first NASS conference in 1915 through the sixtieth conference in 1977, the Association had no paid staff. At the sixtieth conference in San Juan, Puerto Rico, the members brought before the convention a proposal to hire a part-time executive director and to provide facilities and office space in Washington, DC. These items were referred to the executive board for consideration at the next meeting. All matters relating to each annual conference were the responsibility of the host Secretary and the NASS President. A financial report given at the 1979 annual conference showed that NASS had received \$10,800 from 48 state membership dues of \$225 apiece. The NASS proposed budget for 1979–1980 was \$12,000. In 1982, representatives of the Council of State Governments made a presentation to NASS members regarding an association with NASS. In 1984, dues remained at \$225 for each state and NASS had \$9,016 in its account. Ten years later, in 1994, NASS dues amounted to \$103,500, and the fund balance was \$227,285. At the 1999 annual conference in St. Louis, lengthy discussion ensued regarding moving the NASS office from Lexington, Kentucky to the nation's capital. In 2000, following a recommendation from a special committee chaired by Secretary of State Scott Moore of Nebraska, the NASS office was moved to Washington, DC, where it is located today with six staff members.

# Functions of Secretaries of State, 1945-1946

## ROSTERS OF STATE OFFICIALS FUNCTIONS OF THE SECRETARIES OF STATE

State	Issues Corporation Charters	Registers Motor Vehicles	Registers Securities	Custodian of State Archives	Member of Executive Council	Member of State Board of Pardons	Member of State Board of Education	Member of State Land Board	Member of State Board of Canvassers	Administers Election Laws	Registers Trade Marks	Custodian of Legislative Bills, Acts, and Records	Publishes State Manual, Directory, or Register	Publishes Session Laws	Publishes Abstract of Votes	Issues Extradition and Requisition Papers	Attests Executive Documents	Issues Land Patents
Alabama.....	★ <sup>a</sup>	..	..	..	..	★	..	..	..	★	★	★	..	★	..	★	★	★
Arizona.....	..	..	..	★	..	..	..	..	..	★	★	★	★	★	★	..	★	..
Arkansas.....	★	..	..	★	..	..	..	..	..	★	★	★	★	..	★	..	★	..
California.....	★	..	..	★	..	..	..	..	..	★	★	★	..	..	★	..	★	(2)
Colorado.....	★	..	..	★	★	..	★	..	★	★	★	★	★	★	★	★	★	..
Connecticut.....	★	..	..	★	..	..	..	..	★	★	★	★	★	★	..	★	★	..
Delaware.....	★	..	..	..	..	★	..	..	..	..	★	★	★	★	★	★	★	..
Florida.....	★	..	..	..	..	★	★	..	★	★	★	★	★	★	..	★	★	..
Georgia.....	(d)	..	★	★	..	..	..	..	..	★	★	★	★	..	..	★	★	..
Idaho.....	★	..	..	★	..	★	..	★	★	★	★	★	★	★	★	★	★	..
Illinois.....	★	★	★	★	..	..	..	..	★	★	★	★	★	★	★	★	★	..
Indiana.....	★	..	★	..	..	..	..	..	★	★	★	★	..	★	★	★	★	★
Iowa.....	★	..	..	..	★	..	..	..	★	★	★	★	..	..	★	..	★	..
Kansas.....	★	..	..	..	★	..	..	..	★	★	★	★	★	★	★	★	★	..
Kentucky.....	★	..	..	★	..	..	..	★	..	..	★	★	..	..	★	★	★	★
Louisiana.....	★	..	..	★	..	..	..	..	..	★	★	★	★	★	★	★	★	..
Maine.....	★	★	..	★	..	..	..	..	..	★	★	..	..	..	★	★	★	..
Maryland.....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	★	★	★	..	★	..	★ <sup>o</sup>	★	★	..
Massachusetts.....	★	..	..	★	..	..	..	..	..	★	★	★	..	★	★ <sup>o</sup>	★	★	..
Michigan.....	..	★	..	★	★	..	..	..	★	★	★	★	★	★	★ <sup>o</sup>	★	★	★
Minnesota.....	★	★	..	★	★	..	..	..	★	★	★	★	★	..	★ <sup>o</sup>	..	★	..
Mississippi.....	★	..	★	..	..	..	★	..	..	..	..	★	★	..	..	..	★	..
Missouri.....	★	★	★	★	..	..	★	..	..	★	★	★	★	★	★ <sup>o</sup>	★	★	..
Montana.....	★	..	..	..	..	★	..	★	..	★	★	★	..	★	★	★	★	..
Nebraska.....	★	..	..	★	..	★	..	★	★	★	★	★	..	★	★	..	★	..
Nevada.....	★	★	..	..	..	..	..	★	★	★	★	★	★	★	★	..	★	..
New Hampshire.....	★	..	..	★	..	..	..	..	★	★	★	★	★	★	★ <sup>o</sup>	★	★	..
New Jersey.....	★	..	..	★	..	★	..	..	★	★	★	★	..	★	..	★	★	..
New Mexico.....	..	..	..	★	..	..	..	..	★	★	★	★	★	★	★ <sup>o</sup>	★	★	..
New York.....	★	..	..	..	..	..	..	★	..	★	★	★ <sup>f</sup>	★	★	★ <sup>o</sup>	★	★ <sup>g</sup>	★
North Carolina.....	★	..	..	..	★	..	..	..	..	..	★	★	★	★	★ <sup>o</sup>	★	★	..
North Dakota.....	★	..	(h)	★	..	..	..	..	★	★	★	★	★	★	★	★	★	..
Ohio.....	★	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	★	★	★	★	★	★	★	..	★	..
Oklahoma.....	★	..	..	★	..	..	..	★	..	..	★	★	★	★	..	★	★	..
Oregon.....	..	★	..	★	..	..	★	..	★	★	★	★	★	★	★	★	★	..
Pennsylvania.....	★	..	..	..	★	★	..	★	..	★	★	★	..	★	..	★	★	..
Rhode Island.....	★	..	..	★	..	..	..	..	★ <sup>i</sup>	★	★	★	★	★	★ <sup>o</sup>	★	★	..
South Carolina.....	★	..	..	★	..	..	..	..	★	★	★	★	..	..	..	★	★	★
South Dakota.....	★	★	..	★	..	★	..	..	..	★	★	★	★	..	★	★	★	..
Tennessee.....	★	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	★	★	★	★	★	..	..	★	..
Texas.....	★	..	★	(k)	..	..	..	..	★	★	★	★	(l)	★	(m)	★	★	..
Utah.....	★	..	★	★	..	..	..	..	..	★	★	★	★	★	★ <sup>o</sup>	★	★	★
Vermont.....	★	..	..	★	..	..	..	..	★	★ <sup>i</sup>	★	★	★	★	★	..	..	..
Virginia.....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	★	★	★	..	★	..	★	★	★	..
Washington.....	★	..	..	..	..	..	..	★	★	★	★	★	★	★ <sup>n</sup>	★	..	★	..
West Virginia.....	★	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	★	★	★	..	..	★	..	★	..
Wisconsin.....	★	..	..	★	..	..	..	★	★	★	★	★	..	★	★	..	★	..
Wyoming.....	★	★ <sup>o</sup>	★	★	..	★	..	★	★	★	★	★	★	★	★	★	★	..

- <sup>a</sup> Certain charters only.  
<sup>b</sup> Governor issues land patents, and these are attested by the secretary of state.  
<sup>c</sup> Special acts only.  
<sup>d</sup> Issues charters only for insurance, railroad, canal, navigation, express, and telegraph companies, and for banks.  
<sup>e</sup> Incorporated in state manual.  
<sup>f</sup> Legislative acts only.  
<sup>g</sup> Certain documents only.  
<sup>h</sup> Secretary of state is member of Securities Commission.  
<sup>i</sup> Secretary of state has only limited administration of election laws.  
<sup>j</sup> Records deeds on state property also.  
<sup>k</sup> Many public records and historic documents are especially required to be filed in the office of the secretary of state. An

- archivist, with offices in the State Library and Historical Commission, has charge of all public documents and records not required to be filed with the secretary of state or some other state department.  
<sup>l</sup> Secretary of state prepares the *Register of Elective and Appointive Officials*, which is kept on record in that office.  
<sup>m</sup> Returns and certificates of election of state and district officials are made to office of secretary of state, tabulated by the Canvassing Board (of which the secretary of state is a member), and kept on file. Information is given out in response to inquiries, but no special publication is made.  
<sup>n</sup> Secretary of state publishes "Temporary Session Laws," the permanent, bound volumes being issued by the state law librarian.  
<sup>o</sup> County treasurers act as agents.

# Election and Registration Duties, 2021

State or other jurisdiction	Election								Registration				
	Chief election officer	Determines ballot eligibility of political parties	Receives initiative and/or referendum petition	Files certificate of nomination or election	Supplies election ballots or materials to local officials	Files candidates' expense papers	Files other campaign reports	Conducts voter education programs	Registers charitable organizations	Registers corporations (a)	Processes and/or commissions notaries public	Registers securities	Registers trade names/ marks
Alabama	★	★	...	★	★	★	★	★	★	★	★	...	★
Alaska (b)	★	★	★	★	★	...	...	★	...	...	★	...	...
Arizona (aa)	★	★	★	★	...	★	★	★	★	...	★	...	★
Arkansas	★	★	★	★	...	★	★	★	...	★	★	...	★
California	★ (c)	★	...	★	★	★	★	★	(d)	★	★	...	★
Colorado	★	★	★	★	...	★	★	★	★	★	★	...	★
Connecticut	★	★	...	★	★	...	...	★	★	★	★	...	★
Delaware (g)	...	...	...	(e)	...	...	(f)	...	...	★	★	...	★
Florida (v)	★	★	★	★	...	★	★	...	...	★	★	...	★
Georgia	★	★	...	★	★	...	...	★	★	★	...	★	★
Hawaii (b)	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Idaho	★	★	★	★	★	★	★	★	★	★	★	...	★
Illinois	...	...	★	(h)	...	...	...	...	...	★	★	★	★
Indiana (i)	★	★	...	★	★	★	★	★	★	★	★	★	★
Iowa	★	★	...	★	...	...	...	★	★	★	★	...	★
Kansas	★	★	...	★	★	★	...	★	★	★	★	...	★
Kentucky	★	★	...	★	...	...	...	★	...	★	★	...	★
Louisiana	★	...	...	★	★	...	...	★	★	★	★	...	★
Maine	★	★	★	★	★	...	...	★	(y)	★	★	...	★
Maryland	...	★	★	★	...	...	...	...	★	...	★	...	★
Massachusetts	★	★	★	★	★	(f)	(f)	★	...	★	★	★	★
Michigan	★	★	★	★	...	★	★	★	...	...	★	...	...
Minnesota (z)	★	★	...	★	★	...	...	★	...	★	★	...	★
Mississippi	★	★	★	★	...	★	★	★	★	★	★	★	★
Missouri (bb)	★	★	★	★	...	...	...	★	★	★	★	★	★
Montana	★	★	★	★	...	...	...	★	★	★	★	...	★
Nebraska	★	★	★	★	★	...	...	★	★	★	★	...	★
Nevada (j)	★	★	★	★	★	★	★	★	★	★	★	★	★
New Hampshire	★	★	...	★	★	★	★	...	★	★	★	★	★
New Jersey	★	★	★	★	★	★	★	★	...	★	★	...	★
New Mexico	★	★	...	★	★	★	★	★	...	★	★	...	★
New York	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	★	★	...	★
North Carolina (k)	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	★	★	★	★	★
North Dakota	★	★	★	★	★	★	★	★	★	★	★	...	★
Ohio (l)	★	★	★	★(m)	★	★	★	★	★	★	★	★	★
Oklahoma	...	...	★	...	...	...	...	...	★	★ (n)	★	...	★
Oregon	★	★	★	★	★	★	★	★	★	★	★	...	★
Pennsylvania	★	★	...	★	...	...	★	★	★	★	★	...	★
Rhode Island (o)	★	★	...	★	★	...	...	★	...	★	★	...	★
South Carolina	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	★	★ (p)	★	...	★
South Dakota	★	★	★	★	...	★	★	★	...	★	★	...	★
Tennessee (q)	★	★	...	★	★	...	...	★	★	★	★	...	★
Texas	★	★	...	★	★	...	...	★	...	★	★	...	★
Utah (b)	★	★	★	★	★	★	★	★	...	...	...	...	...
Vermont (r)	★	...	...	★	★	★	...	★	...	★	★	...	★
Virginia (x)	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	★	...	★	...	...
Washington (w)	★	...	★	★	...	...	...	★	★	★	...	★	★
West Virginia	★	★	...	★	...	★	★	★	★	★	★	...	★
Wisconsin (s)	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Wyoming	★	★	★	★	(t)	★	★	★	★	★	★	★	★
American Samoa (b)	...	...	...	★	...	★	★	★	★	★	★	...	...
Guam (b)	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Puerto Rico	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	★	★	★	★	★
U.S. Virgin Islands (b)	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	★	★(u)	★	...	★

See footnotes at end of table

Source: The Council of State Governments' survey of secretaries of state offices, 2021.

Key:

★ – Responsible for activity.

... – Not responsible for activity.

- (a) Unless otherwise indicated, office registers domestic, foreign and non-profit corporations.
- (b) No secretary of state. Duties indicated are performed by lieutenant governor. In Hawaii, election related responsibilities have been transferred to an independent Chief Election Officer. In U. S. Virgin Islands election duties are performed by Supervisor of Elections.
- (c) Other election duties include: tallying votes from all 58 counties, testing and certifying voting systems for use by local elections officials, maintaining statewide voter registration database, publishing state Voter Information Guide/State Ballot Pamphlet and qualifying statewide ballot initiatives and referenda.
- (d) This office does not register charitable trusts, but does register charitable organizations as nonprofit corporations; also limited partnerships, limited liability corporations, and domestic partners, Advanced Health care Directives, and administers the Safe at Home mail forwarding program.
- (e) Files certificates of election for publication purposes only; does not file certificates of nomination.
- (f) Federal candidates only.
- (g) Registration duties include alternative business entities such as LLCs and partnerships.
- (h) Office issues document, but does not receive it.
- (i) Additional election duties include: statewide voter registration system administrator. Additional registration duties include securities enforcement and auto dealer registration and enforcement.
- (j) Additional registration duties include: issues annual State Business License, registers domestic partnerships, registers advanced directives for health care, registers guardianship nominations. Charitable organizations soliciting tax deductible charitable contributions must file a charitable solicitation registration statements or claim of exemption before soliciting charitable contributions in Nevada.
- (k) Other election duties: administers the Electoral College. Other registration duties: Maintains secure online registry of advance

health care directives.

- (l) Supplies poll worker training materials to county boards of elections: certifies official form of the ballot to county board of elections.
- (m) Issues certificate of nomination or election to all statewide candidates and U.S. Representatives.
- (n) Certifies U.S. Congressional election results to Washington D.C. Also registers limited partnerships, limited liability companies and limited liability partnerships.
- (o) Additional registration duties include: Non-resident landlord appointment of agent for service and Uniform Commercial Code.
- (p) Also registers the Cable Franchise Authority.
- (q) Appoints the Coordinator of Elections who performs the election duties indicated above, and also prepares the elections manual and elections handbook for use by state officials. Also registers athlete agents, as well as individuals and entities seeking exemption from Tennessee's workers' compensation requirements.
- (r) Additional registration duties include: registers temporary officials for civil marriages.
- (s) Additional registration duties include: Issues authentications and apostilles.
- (t) Materials not ballots.
- (u) Both domestic and foreign profit; but only domestic non-profit.
- (v) Additional registration duties include: registers fictitious names and other types of business entities.
- (w) Additional registration duties include: registers domestic partnerships and registers international student exchange programs.
- (x) Additional registration duties include: registering organizations' mottos; registering logos and insignias; authentications.
- (y) Registers nonprofit entities.
- (z) Additional registration duties include: registers LLCs, limited partnerships.
- (aa) Additional registration duties include partnerships, telephonic seller, advance directives and uniform commercial code.
- (bb) Also administers the Safe at Home address confidentiality/mail forwarding program; issues authentications and apostilles.

# Custodial, Publication and Legislative Duties, 2021

State or other jurisdiction	Custodial				Publication				Legislative				
	Archives state records and regulations	Files state agency rules and regulations	Administers uniform commercial code provisions	Files other corporate documents	State manual or directory	Session laws	State constitution	Statutes	Administrative rules and regulations	Opens legislative sessions (a)	Enrolls or engrosses bills	Retains copies of bills	Registers lobbyists
Alabama	...	...	★	★	...	★	★	★	...	...	★	★	...
Alaska (b)	...	★	...	...	...	...	★	...	★	★	...	★	...
Arizona (w)	★	★	★	...	...	...	...	...	★	...	...	★	★
Arkansas (c)	★	★	★	★	...	★	...	...	★	...	...	★	★
California	★	★	★	★	★	...	...	...	...	...	(d)	...	★
Colorado	...	★	★	★	...	...	★	...	★	...	...	★	★
Connecticut	★(e)	★	★	★	★	...	...	...	★	S	...	★	...
Delaware (x)	★	★	★	★	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	★	★
Florida (u)	★	★	★	★	...	★	★	★	★	...	...	...	...
Georgia	★	★	...	...	★	...	★	...	★	...	...	...	...
Hawaii (b)	...	★	...	...	...	★	...	★	★	...	...	★	...
Idaho	...	...	★	★	...	...	★	★	...	...	...	★	★
Illinois	★	★	★	★	★	★	★	...	★	H	...	★	★
Indiana	(n)	...	★	★	...	...	...	...	...	H	...	(n)	...
Iowa (y)	★	...	★	★	...	★	★	...	...	...	★	★	...
Kansas (s)	...	★	★	★	★	★	...	(o)	★	★	...	★	★
Kentucky	★	...	★	★	...	★	...	...	...	...	★	★	...
Louisiana	★	...	★	★	★	...	...	★	★	...	★	★	(f)
Maine	★	★	★	★	...	...	★	...	★	...	...	...	...
Maryland	...	★	...	...	...	★	...	...	...	...	★	★	...
Massachusetts	★	★	★	★	★	★	★	★	★	...	★	★	★
Michigan	★	★	★	...	...	★	★	★	★	...	...	...	★
Minnesota	★	★	★	★	★	...	...	...	...	H	...	★	...
Mississippi	★	★	★	★	★	★	★	★	★	H	...	(p)	★
Missouri	★(h)	★	★	★	★	...	★	...	★	H	...	★	...
Montana	...	★	★	★	...	...	★	...	★	H	★	★	...
Nebraska	★	★	★	★	...	...	...	...	★	...	...	★	...
Nevada	★	★	★	★	...	...	...	...	★	...	...	★	...
New Hampshire	★	...	★	★	★	...	★	...	...	...	★	★	★
New Jersey	★	...	...	...	...	...	★	...	...	...	...	★	...
New Mexico (z)	...	...	★	★	...	★	★	★	...	H	...	★	★
New York	...	★	★	...	★	...	★	...	★	...	...	...	...
North Carolina (t)	★	★	★	...	★	...	★	...	...	...	★	★	★
North Dakota	...	...	★	★	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	★	★
Ohio (i)	★	★	★	★	★	★	★	...	...	...	...	★	...
Oklahoma (j)	...	★	...	★	...	...	...	...	★	...	...	★	...
Oregon	★	★	★	★	★	...	★	...	★	...	...	★	...
Pennsylvania	...	...	★	★	...	...	...	...	...	...	★	★	...
Rhode Island (k)	★	★	★	★	★	...	★	...	★	...	...	★	★
South Carolina	...	...	★	★	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	★	...
South Dakota	★	★	★	★	★	★	...	★	★	H	...	★	★
Tennessee	★(q)	★	★	★	★(l)	★	...	★	★	...	...	...	...
Texas	...	★	★	★	...	★	...	...	★	H	...	★	...
Utah (b)	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	★	★
Vermont (m)	★	★	★	★	★	★	★	...	★	H	...	★	★
Virginia (g)	...	...	...	...	★	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Washington (v)	★	...	...	★	★	...	★	...	...	...	★	★	...
West Virginia	★	★	★	★	...	...	...	...	★	...	...	★	...
Wisconsin	★	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Wyoming	★	★	★	★	★	...	★	...	...	H	...	★	★
American Samoa (b)	...	★	...	★	...	★	★	...	★	...	...	...	...
Guam (b)	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	★	...	...	...	...	...
Puerto Rico	...	★	★	★	...	★	★	★	★	...	...	...	...
U.S. Virgin Islands (b)	...	★	★	★	...	...	...	...	...	...	★	★	...

See footnotes at end of table

Sources: The Council of State Governments' survey of secretaries of state offices and websites, 2020.

Key:

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...—Not responsible for activity.

(a) In this column only: ★—Both houses; H—House; S—Senate.

(b) No secretary of state. Duties indicated are performed by lieutenant governor.

(c) Additional custodial duties for the Arkansas Secretary of State include serving as the caretaker for the Arkansas State Capitol Building and Grounds, including all custodial duties, HVAC system, building maintenance, historic preservation and conducting tours.

(d) Office does not enroll or engross bills but does chapter bills that are signed into law and retains final chaptered copies.

(e) The secretary of state is keeper of public records, but the state archives is a department of the Connecticut State Library.

(f) Only registers political pollsters.

(g) Other custodial duties include: restoration of civil rights; liaison to Virginia Indians; gubernatorial appointments. Other publication duties include: state organization charts. Other registration duties include: Pardons; Service of Process

(h) Also responsible for the State Library.

(i) Additional publication duties include: elections statistics, official roster of federal, state, and county officers and official roster of township and municipal officers. Additional legislative duties include: Distributing laws to specified state and local government agencies.

(j) Other custodial duties include: Effective Financing Statements identifying farm products that are subject to a security interest, UCC and mortgage documents pertaining to transmitting utilities and also railroads and files open meeting notices.

(k) Additional duties include administering oaths of office to general officers and legislators.

(l) The Division of Publications of the Office of the Secretary of State also publishes the following: The Tennessee Blue Book, Board and Commission vacancies, and Executive Orders and Proclamations.

(m) Additional custodial duties include: records management, and certifying vital records.

(n) The Secretary of State's office receives and authenticates Bills and Enrolled Acts, but does not keep or maintain them. Post-session legislative materials are maintained by the Indiana Public Records Commission.

(o) Responsible for distribution only.

(p) Chapters and indexes all signed bill and chamber and concurrent resolutions.

(q) The Division of Records Management of the Office of the Secretary of State assists state agencies in the appropriate utilization, disposition, retention and destruction of state records.

(s) Additionally, the secretary of state publishes the Kansas Register and opens legislative reorganization meetings.

(t) Other publication duties include: Publishes state board and commission meeting notices online. Other legislative duties include: The Secretary of State is responsible for the certification of election results before legislators take the oath of office at the opening of each session of the General Assembly.

(u) Files other types of business entity and cable franchise documents, records federal tax liens and judgement liens and issues Apostilles

(v) Legislative duties also include: chapters bills.

(w) The secretary of state works hand-in-hand with the business community. The office is tasked with recording the partnerships of those who do business in Arizona and they register trademarks and issue certificates of registration. They also register telemarketers and veterans' charitable organizations. Improving the quality of life for Arizonans has been a priority of the office. The Arizona State Library, Archives and Public Records provides Arizonans access to information about their government, their state and their world. The information available from the State Library empowers citizens to become informed citizens. The Address Confidentiality Program allows victims of domestic violence, sexual abuse or stalking to keep their residential addresses confidential by giving them a substitute address.

(x) Other publication duties include constitutional amendments.

(y) Began administering a Safe at Home address confidentiality program for victims of domestic abuse, sexual assault and other violent crimes. Approves voluntary non-urbanized annexations and files all annexations of territory by Iowa cities.

(z) Files Agency Code of Conduct; Administers Confidential Address Program Publish State Roster of Elected Officials; State Blue Book.

# Methods of Selection of Secretaries of State, 2021

State or other jurisdiction	Name and party	Method of selection	Length of regular term in years	Date of first service	Present term ends	Number of previous terms	Maximum consecutive terms allowed by constitution
Alabama	John Merrill (R)	E	4	1/2015	1/2023	1	2
Alaska	(a)						
Arizona	Katie Hobbs (D)	E	4	1/2019	1/2023	0	2
Arkansas	John Thurston (R)	E	4	1/2019	1/2023	0	2
California	Shirley Weber (D)	E (d)	4	1/2021(d)	1/2023	0	2
Colorado	Jena Griswold (D)	E	4	1/2019	1/2023	0	2
Connecticut	Denise Merrill (D)	E	4	1/2011	1/2023	2	...
Delaware	Jeffrey Bullock (D)	A (b)	4	1/2009	...	0	...
Florida	Laurel Lee (R)	A	4	2/2019	...	0	2
Georgia	Brad Raffensperger (R)	E	4	1/2019	1/2023	0	...
Hawaii	(a)						
Idaho	Lawrence Denney (R)	E	4	1/2015	1/2023	1	...
Illinois	Jesse White (D)	E	4	1/1999	1/2023	5	...
Indiana	Holli Sullivan (R)	E (h)	4	2/2021(h)	1/2023	0	2
Iowa	Paul Pate (R)	E	4	12/2014	12/2022	1	...
Kansas	Scott Schwab (R)	E	4	1/2019	1/2023	0	...
Kentucky	Michael Adams (R)	E	4	12/2019	12/2023	0	2
Louisiana	Kyle Ardoin (R)	E	4	5/2018 (c)	1/2024	(c)	...
Maine	Sheena Bellows (D)	L	2	1/2021	1/2023	0	5 (e)
Maryland	John Wobensmith (R)	A	...	1/2015	...	0	...
Massachusetts	William Francis Galvin (D)	E	4	1/1995	1/2023	6	...
Michigan	Jocelyn Benson (D)	E	4	1/2019	1/2023	0	2
Minnesota	Steve Simon (DFL)	E	4	1/2015	1/2023	1	...
Mississippi	Michael Watson (R)	E	4	1/2020	1/2024	0	...
Missouri	Jay Ashcroft (R)	E	4	1/2017	1/2021	0	...
Montana	Christi Jacobsen (R)	E	4	1/2021	1/2023	0	(f)
Nebraska	Robert Evnen (R)	E	4	1/2019	1/2023	0	...
Nevada	Barbara Cegavske (R)	E	4	1/2015	1/2023	1	2
New Hampshire	William Gardner (D)	L	2	12/1976	12/2020	21	...
New Jersey	Tahesha Way (D)	A	...	1/2018	...	0	...
New Mexico	Maggie Toulouse Oliver (D)	E	4	12/2016 (g)	12/2022	(g)	2
New York	Rossanna Rosado (D)	A	...	6/2016	...	0	...
North Carolina	Elaine Marshall (D)	E	4	1/1997	1/2025	6	...
North Dakota	Alvin A. Jaeger (R)	E	4	1/1993	12/2022	6	...
Ohio	Frank LaRose (R)	E	4	1/2019	1/2023	0	2
Oklahoma	Brian Bingman (R)	A	4	10/2020	1/2024	0	...
Oregon	Shemia Fagan (D)	E	4	1/2021	1/2024	0	2
Pennsylvania	Veronica Degraffenreid (D)	A	...	2/2021	...	0	...
Rhode Island	Nellie Gorbea (D)	E	4	1/2015	1/2023	1	2
South Carolina	Mark Hammond (R)	E	4	1/2003	1/2023	4	...
South Dakota	Steve Barnett (R)	E	4	1/2019	1/2023	0	2
Tennessee	Tre Hargett (R)	L	4	1/2009	1/2021	2	...
Texas	Jose A. "Joe" Esparza (R)	A	...	12/2018	...	0	...
Utah	(a)						
Vermont	Jim Condos (D)	E	2	1/2011	1/2025	5	...
Virginia	Kelly Thomasson (D)	A	...	4/2016	...	0	...
Washington	Kim Wyman (R)	E	4	1/2013	1/2025	1	...
West Virginia	Andrew "Mac" Warner (R)	E	4	1/2017	1/2025	0	...
Wisconsin	Douglas LaFollette (D)	E	4	1/1974 (i)	1/2023	10 (i)	...
Wyoming	Ed Buchanan (R)	E	4	3/2018 (j)	1/2023	(j)	...
Dist. of Columbia	Kimberly Bassett (D)	A	...	12/2018	...	0	...
American Samoa	(a)						
Guam	(a)						
CNMI*	(a)						
Puerto Rico	Omar Marrero (NPP)	A	...	7/2021	...	...	...
U.S. Virgin Islands	(a)						

See footnotes at end of table

Source: The Council of State Governments, Aug. 2021.

\* Commonwealth of Northern Mariana Islands

Key:

E - Elected by voters

A - Appointed by governor.

L - Elected by legislature.

... - No provision for.

(a) No secretary of state; lieutenant governor performs functions of this office.

(b) Appointed by the governor and confirmed by the Senate.

(c) Ardoin became acting secretary on May 2018, replacing Tom Schedler. He was elected to his first full term in November 2019.

(d) Weber was appointed and sworn in on Jan. 29, 2021 after Alex Padilla was appointed to fill Kamala Harris' CA Senate seat.

(e) Statutory term limit of four consecutive two-year terms.

(f) Eligible for eight out of 16 years.

(g) Secretary Oliver was elected in November 2016 to fill the remaining two years of an unexpired term and was re-elected to her first full term in November 2018.

(h) Sullivan was appointed by Gov. Holcomb upon the resignation of Connie Lawson.

(i) LaFollette was first elected in 1974 and served a four-year term. He was elected again in 1982 and has been re-elected since.

(j) Edward Buchanan was appointed March 5, 2018 to fill Ed Murray's term and was elected to his first full term in November 2018.