NASS CONFERENCES, OFFICERS
AND EXECUTIVE COMMITTEES

1st CONFERENCE*
October 21–22, 1915, at Cincinnati, Ohio
President Stuart F. Reed, West Virginia
Vice President Charles D. Burns, Connecticut
Secretary-Treasurer Charles Q. Hildebrant, Ohio

2nd CONFERENCE*
October 19, 1917, at Topeka, Kansas
President Stuart F. Reed, West Virginia

3rd CONFERENCE*
September 22–24, 1919, at Washington, D. C.
President Albert P. Langtry, Massachusetts

4th CONFERENCE*
President Albert P. Langtry, Massachusetts

5th CONFERENCE*
August 2–4, 1921, at Helena, Montana
President Louis L. Emmerson, Illinois

6th CONFERENCE
November 17–18, 1922, at Frankfort, Kentucky
President Louis L. Emmerson, Illinois

7th CONFERENCE
September 13–15, 1923, at Asheville, North Carolina
President Louis L. Emmerson, Illinois

8th CONFERENCE
July 9–12, 1924, at Salt Lake City, Utah
President Frederic W. Cook, Massachusetts

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9th CONFERENCE
December 9–11, 1925, at Miami, Florida
President Mike Holm, Minnesota

10th CONFERENCE
September 15–17, 1926, at Providence, Rhode Island
President Mike Holm, Minnesota

11th CONFERENCE
September 6–8, 1927, at Sacramento, California
President J. Grant Hinkle, Washington

12th CONFERENCE
September 18–21, 1928, at Rapid City, South Dakota
President Fred E. Lukens, Idaho

13th CONFERENCE
September 30–October 3, 1929, at Boston, Massachusetts
President Fred E. Lukens, Idaho

14th CONFERENCE
November 18–21, 1930, at Memphis, Tennessee
President W. P. Blackwell, South Carolina

15th CONFERENCE
August 18–23, 1931, at Salt Lake City, Utah; Zion, Grand Canyon, Bryce Canyon, National Parks and Cedar Breaks
President Ernest L. Sprague, Rhode Island
Vice President Ernest N. Haston, Tennessee
Secretary Robert Byrne, North Dakota
Treasurer Enoch D. Fuller, New Hampshire
Executive Committee Wm. J. Stratton, Illinois
W. P. Blackwell, South Carolina
Theodore Dammann, Wisconsin

16th CONFERENCE
June 28–30, 1933, at Chicago, Illinois
President Ernest N. Haston, Tennessee
17th CONFERENCE
April 3-5, 1934, at St. Petersburg, Florida

President
Robert Byrne, North Dakota
Vice President
Enoch D. Fuller, New Hampshire
Treasurer
Theodore Dammann, Wisconsin
Secretary
Robert A. Gray, Florida

18th CONFERENCE
July 29-August 1, 1935, at St. Paul, Minnesota

President
Enoch D. Fuller, New Hampshire
Vice President
Robert A. Gray, Florida
Treasurer
Theodore Dammann, Wisconsin
Secretary
Grace A. Reavy, New York
Executive Committee
Mike Holm, Minnesota
Frederic W. Cook, Massachusetts
Ernest N. Haston, Tennessee
Frank C. Jordan, California

19th CONFERENCE
July 13-16, 1936, at Albany and New York, New York

President
Robert A. Gray, Florida
Vice President
Theodore Dammann, Wisconsin
Treasurer
Dwight H. Brown, Missouri
Secretary
Grace A. Reavy, New York
Recording Secretary
Frances Ryan, Kansas
Executive Committee
Frederic W. Cook, Massachusetts
Mike Holm, Minnesota
John B. Wilson, Georgia

20th CONFERENCE
September 22-23, 1937, at San Antonio, Texas

President
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Vice President
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Treasurer
Grace A. Reavy, New York
Secretary
John B. Wilson, Georgia
Recording Secretary
Frances Ryan, Kansas
Executive Committee
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Mike Holm, Minnesota
21st CONFERENCE

*June 21–25, 1938, at Louisville, Kentucky*

President
Dwight H. Brown, Missouri

Vice President
C. John Satti, Connecticut

Treasurer
John B. Wilson, Georgia

Corresponding Secretary
Charles D. Arnett, Kentucky

Recording Secretary
Goldie Wells, South Dakota

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Mike Holm Minnesota
Lester C. Hunt, Wyoming
E. Ray Jones, Maryland

22nd CONFERENCE

*August 16–19, 1939, at Dixville Notch, New Hampshire*

Acting President
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Corresponding Secretary
E. E. Monson, Utah

Recording Secretary
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Edward H. Hughes, Illinois

23rd CONFERENCE

*June 12–15, 1940, at Savannah and Sea Island, Georgia*

President
John B. Wilson, Georgia

Vice President
E. E. Monson, Utah

Recording Secretary
Thad Eure, North Carolina

Corresponding Secretary
Edward J. Hughes, Illinois

Treasurer
Enoch D. Fuller, New Hampshire

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Mike Holm, Minnesota
Sara B. Crawford, Connecticut
Jessie M. Gonzales, New Mexico
Earl W. Snell, Oregon
James M. Tucker, Indiana
24th CONFERENCE
*August 27-30, 1941, at Los Angeles, California*

President  E. E. Monson, Utah  
Vice President  Thad Eure, North Carolina  
Recording Secretary  Edward J. Hughes, Illinois  
Corresponding Secretary  Sophia M. R. O’Hara, Pennsylvania  
Treasurer  Earl W. Snell, Oregon  
Executive Committee  Enoch D. Fuller, New Hampshire  
Dwight H. Brown, Missouri  
John B. Wilson, Georgia  
Mike Holm, Minnesota  
Jessie M. Gonzales, New Mexico

25th CONFERENCE
*July 15-17, 1942, at Baltimore, Maryland*

President  Thad Eure, North Carolina  
Vice President  Edward J. Hughes, Illinois  
Recording Secretary  Sophia M. R. O’Hara, Pennsylvania  
Corresponding Secretary  Earl W. Snell, Oregon  
Treasurer  James M. Tucker, Indiana  
Executive Committee  Enoch D. Fuller, New Hampshire  
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John B. Wilson, Georgia  
E. E. Monson, Utah  
Mike Holm, Minnesota  
Jessie M. Gonzales, New Mexico

26th CONFERENCE
*October 18-20, 1943, at St. Louis, Missouri*

President  Edward J. Hughes, Illinois  
Vice President  Sophia M. R. O’Hara, Pennsylvania  
Recording Secretary  John E. Sweeney, Ohio  
Corresponding Secretary  Jessie M. Gonzales, New Mexico  
Treasurer  Walker Wood, Mississippi  
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27th CONFERENCE
August 21–23, 1944, at Cincinnati, Ohio

President  Frederic W. Cook, Massachusetts
Vice President  Mike Holm, Minnesota
Recording Secretary  Walker Wood, Mississippi
Corresponding Secretary  Thomas Elmo Jones, Maryland
Treasurer  Robert S. Farrell Jr., Oregon
Executive Committee  Enoch D. Fuller, New Hampshire

28th CONFERENCE
October 11–13, 1945, at New Orleans, Louisiana

President  Mike Holm, Minnesota
Vice President  Walker Wood, Mississippi
Recording Secretary  Robert S. Farrell Jr., Oregon
Honorary Recording Secretary  LTC Thomas Elmo Jones, Maryland
Corresponding Secretary  Rawson C. Myrick, Vermont
Treasurer  Sidney Latham, Texas
Executive Committee  Enoch D. Fuller, New Hampshire

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Edward J. Hughes, Illinois

Robert A. Gray, Florida
E. E. Monson, Utah

Frederic W. Cook, Massachusetts
29th CONFERENCE
September 19–21, 1946, at Los Angeles, California

President  Walker Wood, Mississippi
Vice President  Robert S. Farrell Jr., Oregon
Corresponding Secretary  Wade O. Martin Jr., Louisiana
Recording Secretary  Rawson C. Myrick, Vermont
Treasurer  Frank M. Jordan, California
Executive Committee  Enoch D. Fuller, New Hampshire
Robert A. Gray, Florida
Thad Eure, North Carolina
Mike Holm, Minnesota
Frederic W. Cook, Massachusetts

30th CONFERENCE
September 24–26, 1947, at Biloxi, Mississippi

President  Robert S. Farrell Jr., Oregon
Vice President  Wade O. Martin Jr., Louisiana
Secretary  Rawson C. Myrick, Vermont
Recording Secretary  Frank M. Jordan, California
Treasurer  Frank Marsh, Nebraska
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Mike Holm, Minnesota
Walker Wood, Mississippi
W. P. Blackwell, South Carolina

31st CONFERENCE
October 4–6, 1948, at Charleston, South Carolina

President  Wade O. Martin Jr., Louisiana
Vice President  Frank M. Jordan, California
Treasurer  Armond H. Cote, Rhode Island
Secretary  Frank Marsh, Nebraska
Recording Secretary  Wm. J. Storey, Delaware
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William P. Blackwell, South Carolina
32nd CONFERENCE
September 12-16, 1949, at New Castle, New Hampshire

President          Frank M. Jordan, California
Vice President     Frank Marsh, Nebraska
Secretary          W. J. Storey, Delaware
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33rd CONFERENCE
October 5-8, 1950, at San Francisco, California

President          Frank Marsh, Nebraska
Vice President     Armand H. Cote, Rhode Island
Treasurer          C. G. Hall, Arkansas
Recording Secretary Annamae Riiff, South Dakota
Corresponding Secretary Alicia Romero, New Mexico
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                   Annamae Riiff, South Dakota
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34th CONFERENCE
October 17–20, 1951, at Phoenix, Tucson and Nogales, Arizona

President: Armand H. Cote, Rhode Island
Vice President: C. G. Hall, Arkansas
Treasurer: Wesley Bolin, Arizona
Secretary: Earl T. Newbry, Oregon
Corresponding Secretary: Ben W. Fortson Jr., Georgia
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Frank M. Jordan, California
George J. Baker, Colorado

35th CONFERENCE

President: C. G. Hall, Arkansas
Vice President: Wesley Bolin, Arizona
Treasurer: Earl T. Newbry, Oregon
Secretary: Ben W. Fortson Jr., Georgia
Corresponding Secretary: Harris B. McDowell Jr., Delaware
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Frank M. Jordan, California
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36th CONFERENCE
August 26–29, 1953, at Seattle, Washington

President: Wesley Bolin, Arizona
Vice President: Earl T. Newbry, Oregon
Treasurer: Ben W. Fortson Jr., Georgia
Secretary: Gene D. Smith, Pennsylvania
Corresponding Secretary: Heber Ladner, Mississippi
Executive Committee: Enoch D. Fuller, New Hampshire
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*July 7-9, 1954, at Detroit, Michigan*

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### 38th CONFERENCE
*October 6-8, 1955, at Miami Beach, Florida*

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### 39th CONFERENCE
*September 20-22, 1956, at Carmel, California*

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40th CONFERENCE
September 4-7, 1957, at Boston, Massachusetts

President
Howard E. Armstrong, Vermont
Vice President
Paul R. Shanahan, Kansas
Treasurer
John Koontz, Nevada
Secretary
O. Frank Thornton, South Carolina
Recording Secretary
Melvin D. Synhorst, Iowa
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Wesley Bolin, Arizona
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Heber Ladner, Mississippi
41st CONFERENCE
August 27-30, 1958, Salt Lake City, Utah

President Paul R. Shanahan, Kansas
Vice President John Koontz, Nevada
Treasurer O. Frank Thornton, South Carolina
Secretary Melvin D. Synhorst, Iowa
Recording Secretary Edward J. Cronin, Massachusetts
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Wesley Bolin, Arizona
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Heber Ladner, Mississippi
Howard E. Armstrong, Vermont

42nd CONFERENCE
September 2-5, 1959 at Portland, Oregon

President John Koontz, Nevada
Vice President O. Frank Thornton, South Carolina
Treasurer Melvin D. Synhorst, Iowa
Secretary Ted W. Brown, Ohio
Recording Secretary Frank Marsh, Nebraska
Executive Committee R.A. Gray, Florida
Thad Eure, North Carolina
Wade O. Martin Jr., Louisiana
Frank M. Jordan, California
C. G. Hall, Arkansas
Executive Committee  continued

Wesley Bolin, Arizona
Ben W. Fortson Jr., Georgia
Heber Ladner, Mississippi
Howard E. Armstrong, Vermont
Paul R. Shanahan, Kansas

43rd CONFERENCE

President  O. Frank Thornton, South Carolina
Vice President  Melvin D. Synhorst, Iowa
Treasurer  Ted W. Brown, Ohio
Secretary  Frank Marsh, Nebraska
Recording Secretary  Lamont F. Toronto, Utah
Executive Committee  R.A. Gray, Florida
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John Koontz, Nevada

44th CONFERENCE
October 11–14, 1961, at Tucson, Arizona
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### 45th CONFERENCE

*December 5-8, 1962, at Miami Beach, Florida*

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### 46th CONFERENCE

*October 23–26, 1963, at Chicago, Illinois*

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Ted W. Brown, Ohio

47th CONFERENCE
*July 1-7, 1964, at New York, New York*

President  Lamont F. Toronto, Utah  
Vice President  Joe C. Carr, Tennessee  
Treasurer  Martha Bell Conway, Virginia  
Secretary  Charles F. Carpentier, Illinois*  
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Frank Marsh, Nebraska  
Ted W. Brown, Ohio

48th CONFERENCE
*November 8-12, 1965, at Honolulu, Hawaii*

President  Joe C. Carr, Tennessee  
Vice President  Martha Bell Conway, Virginia  
Treasurer  Ben Meier, North Dakota  
Secretary  Joseph Donovan, Minnesota  
Recording Secretary  Victor A. Meyers, Washington**  
Frank Murray, Montana**

*Deceased April 3, 1964  
**Victor A. Meyers was not re-elected in the 1965 General election; Frank Murray was elected by the Executive Committee to fill the vacancy.
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Heber Ladner, Mississippi
Paul R. Shanahan, Kansas
John Koontz, Nevada
O. Frank Thornton, South Carolina
Frank Marsh, Nebraska

49th CONFERENCE
November 14–19, 1966, at New Orleans, Louisiana

President Martha Bell Conway, Virginia
Vice President Ben Meier, North Dakota
Treasurer Joseph Donovan, Minnesota
Secretary Frank Murray, Montana
Recording Secretary August P. LaFrance, Rhode Island
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O. Frank Thornton, South Carolina
Ted W. Brown, Ohio
Frank Marsh, Nebraska
Joe C. Carr, Tennessee

50th CONFERENCE
October 3–6, 1967, at Las Vegas, Nevada

President Ben Meier, North Dakota
Vice President Joseph Donovan, Minnesota
Treasurer Frank Murray, Montana
Secretary August P. LaFrance, Rhode Island
Recording Secretary Thelma L. Stovall, Kentucky
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Ted W. Brown, Ohio
Frank Marsh, Nebraska
Joe C. Carr, Tennessee
Martha Bell Conway, Virginia

51st CONFERENCE
December 2-5, 1968, at Disneyland, Anaheim, California

President: Joseph Donovan, Minnesota
Vice President: Frank Murray, Montana
Treasurer: August P. LaFrance, Rhode Island
Secretary: Tom Adams, Florida
Recording Secretary: Thelma Stovall, Kentucky

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Ted W. Brown, Ohio
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Joe C. Carr, Tennessee
Martha Bell Conway, Virginia
Ben Meier, North Dakota

52nd CONFERENCE
August 4-8, 1969, at Denver, Colorado

President: Frank Murray, Montana
Vice President: August P. LaFrance, Rhode Island
Treasurer: Tom Adams, Florida
Secretary: John Lomenzo, New York
Recording Secretary: Robert L. Stark, New Hampshire

*John Lomenzo was named Recording Secretary by the Executive Committee to fill the unexpired term of Thelma Stovall, now Kentucky State Treasurer.
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Ted W. Brown, Ohio
Frank Marsh, Nebraska
Joe C. Carr, Tennessee
Martha Bell Conway, Virginia
Ben Meier, North Dakota
Joseph Donovan, Minnesota

53rd CONFERENCE
August 3–7, 1970, at Newport, Rhode Island

- President: August P. LaFrance, Rhode Island
- Vice President: John P. Lomenzo, New York
- Treasurer: Kelly Bryant, Arkansas
- Secretary: Byron A. Anderson, Colorado
- Recording Secretary: Thyra Thomson, Wyoming
- Executive Committee: Thad Eure, North Carolina
- Wade O. Martin Jr., Louisiana
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- Melvin D. Synhorst, Iowa
- Ted W. Brown, Ohio
- Frank Marsh, Nebraska
- Joe C. Carr, Tennessee
- Ben Meier, North Dakota
- Joseph Donovan, Minnesota
- Frank Murray, Montana
54th CONFERENCE
August 29–September 2, 1971, at Saratoga Springs, New York

President John P. Lomenzo, New York
Vice President Kelly Bryant, Arkansas
Treasurer Byron A. Anderson, Colorado
Secretary James C. Kirkpatrick, Missouri
Recording Secretary Clyde L. Miller, Utah
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  Ben Meier, North Dakota
  Frank Murray, Montana
  August P. LaFrance, Rhode Island

The 1971 edition of the NASS Conference was hosted by President John P. Lomenzo of New York. The setting was in the heart of New York's “horse country” at Saratoga Springs. Two highlights came from that conference. The banquet entertainment was the number one music group in America—The 5th Dimension. The other highlight was the unveiling and approval of the NASS Medallion. The medallion was the idea and suggestion and creation of Secretary of State and President, John P. Lomenzo.

Because of the Vietnam War, discussion was started about making improvements to the process of application, delivery and return of military-overseas ballots. (by Allen Beermann)
### 55th CONFERENCE

*May 29–June 2, 1972, at Hershey, Pennsylvania*

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### 56th CONFERENCE

*August 26–30, 1973, at Williamsburg, Virginia*

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- Melvin D. Synhorst, Iowa
- Ted W. Brown, Ohio
- Joe C. Carr, Tennessee
- Ben Meier, North Dakota
- Frank Murray, Montana
- August P. LaFrance, Rhode Island
- John P. Lomenzo, New York
- Kelly Bryant, Arkansas
57th CONFERENCE
September 15-19, 1974, at Anchorage, Alaska

President  James C. Kirkpatrick, Missouri
Vice President  Clyde L Miller, Utah
Treasurer  Elwill M. Shanahan, Kansas
Secretary  John F. X. Davoren, Massachusetts
Recording Secretary  C. Delores Tucker, Pennsylvania
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Frank Murray, Montana
Kelly Bryant, Arkansas

58th CONFERENCE
August 17-20, 1975, at Las Vegas, Nevada

President  Clyde L Miller, Utah
Vice President  Elwill M. Shanahan, Kansas
Treasurer  Allen J. Beermann, Nebraska
Secretary  C. Delores Tucker, Pennsylvania
Recording Secretary  Richard C. Thomas, Vermont
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59th CONFERENCE  
*July 18-21, 1976, at Dover, Delaware*

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60th CONFERENCE
September 19–23, 1977, at San Juan, Puerto Rico

President
Allen J. Beermann, Nebraska

Vice President
C. Delores Tucker, Pennsylvania

Treasurer
Mark White, Texas*

Secretary
Fred L. Wineland, Maryland

Recording Secretary
Agnes Baggett, Alabama

Executive Committee
Thad Eure, North Carolina

Wesley Bolin, Arizona

Ben W. Fortson Jr., Georgia

Heber A. Ladner, Mississippi

O. Frank Thornton, South Carolina

Melvin D. Synhorst, Iowa

Ted W. Brown, Ohio

Ben Meier, North Dakota

Frank Murray, Montana

James C. Kirkpatrick, Missouri

Elwill M. Shanahan, Kansas

The Hon. Reinaldo Paniagua-Diez was the host Secretary of State for this conference. The event was held in San Juan, Puerto Rico.

This conference had many unusual features. It was the first conference held in a U.S. Territory outside of the continental United States. (There was a conference held in the State of Hawaii.) The conference was held in San Juan pursuant to a special resolution passed by the Legislature in Puerto Rico. The Secretaries gathered in Miami, Florida, and traveled together as a charter group to San Juan.

*At the 60th CONFERENCE, Mark White was elected president but resigned his office October 17, 1977 to become a candidate for Attorney General of Texas. Under the provisions of Article Six of the Constitution and by-laws of the National Association of Secretaries of State, Fred L. Wineland, the duly elected vice president, automatically became vested with all the duties and powers as president. The office of vice president remained vacant for the entire year.
60th CONFERENCE

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One day of the conference was also spent in the Virgin Islands with Host Secretary of State/Lt. Governor Juan Luís.

In those days, NASS did not have a central office and staff. The host Secretary and the President put the convention together. President Beermann remembers this very well. The Secretary of State staff in San Juan did not speak English and Beermann could not speak Spanish. Every detail and every plan was accomplished through an interpreter.

A major sponsor and host for this conference was the Bacardi Family. Adolfo and Olga Bacardi attended most of the functions and banquets.

It was at this conference where the Vice President of NASS was unable to be sworn in as President of NASS and the next in line suddenly became President. On the afternoon of the final banquet event, President Beermann got a call from the Governor of a state and the Governor informed Beermann that the Secretary of State (NASS Vice President) had been fired, and was being called home from the conference. Beermann had to inform the Secretary of State of the sad news. (This Secretary was later found not guilty of wrong-doing and was cleared of the charges). Beermann called the Executive Committee together quickly and it was decided that Mark White, Secretary of State of Texas, would be sworn in as the new President. (White eventually became Governor of Texas). (by Allen Beermann)

61st CONFERENCE

December 4-8, 1978, at Walt Disney World, Lake Buena Vista, Florida

President           Fred L Wineland, Maryland
Vice President      Vacant*
Treasurer           Agnes Baggett, Alabama
Secretary           Gloria Schaffer, Connecticut
Recording Secretary Lorna B. Herseth, South Dakota
Executive Committee Thad Eure, North Carolina
Ben W. Fortson Jr., Georgia
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Ted W. Brown, Ohio
Ben Meier, North Dakota
Frank Murray, Montana
James C. Kirkpatrick, Missouri
Elwill M. Shanahan, Kansas
Allen J. Beermann, Nebraska

62nd CONFERENCE

September 9-13, 1979, at Lake Ozark, Missouri

President           Alan J. Dixon, Illinois
Vice President      Joan Anderson Growe, Minnesota
Treasurer           Gentry Crowell, Tennessee
Secretary           Robert F. Burns, Rhode Island
Recording Secretary Rose Mofford, Arizona
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**63rd CONFERENCE**  
*August 24–27, 1980, at Atlantic City, New Jersey*

- **President**: Joan Anderson Growe, Minnesota  
- **Vice President**: Gentry Crowell, Tennessee  
- **Treasurer**: Robert F. Burns, Rhode Island  
- **Secretary**: Rose Mofford, Arizona  
- **Recording Secretary**: Jack H. Brier, Kansas  
- **Executive Committee**: Thad Eure, North Carolina, Melvin D. Synhorst, Iowa, Ben Meier, North Dakota, Frank Murray, Montana, James C. Kirkpatrick, Missouri, Allen J. Beermann, Nebraska, Fred L. Wineland, Maryland, Alan J. Dixon, Illinois

**64th CONFERENCE**  
*August 9–13, 1981, Afton, Oklahoma*

- **President**: Gentry Crowell, Tennessee  
- **Vice President**: Robert F. Burns, Rhode Island  
- **Treasurer**: Rose Mofford, Arizona  
- **Secretary**: Jack H. Brier, Kansas  
- **Recording Secretary**: Edwin J. Simcox, Indiana  
- **Executive Committee**: Thad Eure, North Carolina, Ben Meier, North Dakota, James C. Kirkpatrick, Missouri, Allen J. Beermann, Nebraska, Fred L. Wineland, Maryland, Joan Anderson Growe, Minnesota

**65th CONFERENCE**  
*November 14–18, 1982, Biloxi, Mississippi*

- **President**: Robert Burns, Rhode Island  
- **Vice President**: Rose Mofford, Arizona  
- **Treasurer**: Jack Brier, Kansas  
- **Secretary**: Edwin Simcox, Indiana  
- **Recording Secretary**: Jeannette Edmondson, Oklahoma
### 66th CONFERENCE
**June 25-30, 1983, Bismarck, North Dakota**

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### 67th CONFERENCE
**July 8–11, 1984, Annapolis, Maryland**

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68th CONFERENCE
July 8-10, 1985, Indianapolis, Indiana

President  Edwin J. Simcox, Indiana
President Elect  Jeannette Edmondson, Oklahoma
Vice President  James H. Douglas, Vermont
Treasurer  Jim Waltermire, Montana
Secretary  James H. Brown, Louisiana
Executive Committee  Thad Eure, North Carolina
Ben Meier, North Dakota
Allen J. Beermann, Nebraska
Joan Anderson Growe, Minnesota
Gentry Crowell, Tennessee
Rose Mofford, Arizona
Jack H. Brier, Kansas
Alice Kundert, South Dakota
Clara P. Jones, New Mexico
69th CONFERENCE

President
Jeannette B. Edmondson, Oklahoma

President Elect
James H. Douglas, Vermont

Vice President
Jim Waltermire, Montana

Treasurer
James H. Brown, Louisiana

Secretary
Jim Edgar, Illinois

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Gentry Crowell, Tennessee
Rose P. Mofford, Arizona
Allen J. Beermann, Nebraska
Edwin Simcox, Indiana
Ralph D. Munro, Washington
Julia Z. Tashjian, Connecticut
70th CONFERENCE
*July 11-16 1987, Boston, Massachusetts*

President
James H. Douglas, Vermont

President Elect
Jim Waltermire, Montana

Vice President
James H. Brown, Louisiana

Treasurer
Jim Edgar, Illinois

Secretary
Julia H. Tashjian, Connecticut

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Jeannette B. Edmondson, Oklahoma
Ralph D. Munro, Washington
Dick Molpus, Mississippi
71st CONFERENCE
July 9-13, 1988, Portland, Oregon

President
Jim Waltermire, Montana*

President Elect
Jim Edgar, Illinois

Vice President
Julia H. Tashjian, Connecticut

Treasurer
Ralph Munro, Washington

Secretary
Dick Molpus, Mississippi

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James H. Douglas, Vermont
Bill McCuen, Arkansas
Natalie Meyer, Colorado
Gail Shaffer, New York
Barbara Roberts, Oregon

72nd CONFERENCE
July 15-19, 1989 at A Mountaintop Experience in Vail, Colorado

President
Jim Edgar, Illinois

President Elect
Julia H. Tashjian, Connecticut

Vice President
Ralph Munro, Washington

Treasurer
Dick Molpus, Mississippi

Secretary
Roy D. Blunt, Missouri

Executive Committee
Thad Eure, North Carolina
Ben Meier, North Dakota
Allen J. Beermann, Nebraska
Joan Anderson Growe, Minnesota

*Deceased April 8, 1988
Executive Committee

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Gentry Crowell, Tennessee
James H. Douglas, Vermont
Natalie Meyer, Colorado
Jane Burgio, New Jersey
Rebecca Vigil-Giron, New Mexico
Barbara Roberts, Oregon
73rd CONFERENCE
July 15-18, 1990 in Hartford, Connecticut

Executive Committee:
President            Julia Tashjian, Connecticut
President Elect      Ralph Munro, Washington
Vice President       Dick Molpus, Mississippi
Treasurer            Roy Blunt, Missouri
Secretary            Frankie Sue Del Papa, Nevada
                      Allen J. Beermann, Nebraska
                      Joan A. Growe, Minnesota
                      James H. Douglas, Vermont
                      Jim Edgar, Illinois
                      Kathleen Connell, Rhode Island
                      Joyce Hazeltine, South Dakota
                      John Campbell, South Carolina
                      Michael Harkins, Delaware
74th CONFERENCE

Executive Committee:
President Ralph Munro, Washington
President Elect Dick Molpus, Mississippi
Vice President Roy Blunt, Missouri
Treasurer Gail Shaffer, New York
Secretary Natalie Meyer, Colorado
Joan Anderson Growe, Minnesota
Allen J. Beermann, Nebraska
James H. Douglas, Vermont
Elaine Baxter, Iowa
Bill Graves, Kansas
Jim Smith, Florida
Rufus Edmisten, North Carolina

75th CONFERENCE
August 8-13, 1992 at the Holiday Inn by the Bay in Portland Maine

Executive Committee:
President Dick Molpus, Mississippi
President Elect Roy Blunt, Missouri
Vice President Gail Shaffer, New York
Treasurer Natalie Meyer, Colorado
Secretary Rufus Edmisten, North Carolina
Allen J. Beermann, Nebraska
Mike Cooney, Montana
James H. Douglas, Vermont
Stephanie Gonzales, New Mexico
Joan Growe, Minnesota
Pauline Kezer, Connecticut
Ralph Munro Washington
Bob Taft, Ohio
76th CONFERENCE
July 24-29, 1993 at The Cleveland Marriott, Society Center, Cleveland, Ohio

Executive Committee:

President
President Elect
Secretary/Treasurer
Eastern Vice President
Southern Vice President
Western Vice President
Mid-Western Vice President
Past President
At-Large Member
At-Large Member

Gail Shafer, New York
Natalie Meyer, Colorado
Joyce Hazeltine, South Dakota
Pauline Kezer, Connecticut
Rufus Edmisten, North Carolina
Mike Cooney, Montana
Joyce Hazeltine, South Dakota
Dick Molpus, Mississippi
Bill Diamond, Maine
Bob Taft, Ohio
77th CONFERENCE
July 16-21, 1994 at The Outlaw Inn in Kalispell, Montana

Executive Committee:
President Natalie Meyer, Colorado
President Elect Rufus Edmiston, North Carolina
Secretary/Treasurer Bob Taft, Ohio
Southern Vice President Bob Babbage, Kentucky
Western Vice President Cheryl A. Lau, Nevada
Mid-Western Vice President Bob Taft, Ohio
Past President Gail Shaffer, New York
At-Large Member Joyce Hazeline, South Dakota
At-Large Member Derek Hodge, Virgin Islands

The Outlaw Inn in Kalispell, Montana played host to the National Association of Secretaries of State. Just a few miles from Glacier National Park and Flathead Lake there could not have been a more beautiful setting.

However, it was the conference program and speakers that held the attention of attendees. “Economic and Business Growth” was discussed by Austin Kiplinger, Editor of the Kiplinger Washington Letter. Michael Josephson, President of Josephson Institute of Ethics, presented “Ethics in Government.” Former Secretary of State Jim Douglas presented a discussion on “Encouraging Democracy Abroad” while FEC Chairman Trevor Potter discussed “Promoting Democracy at Home.”

The National Voter Registration Act (NVRA) was the subject of a plenary session featuring election experts from across the country. Nationally Syndicated Columnist Jack Germond of the Baltimore Evening Sun entertained the conference at lunch. Congressman Sherrod Brown, the former Ohio Secretary of State, provided a “View From Here.”

Conference Attendees got to enjoy the Montana outdoors with trips to Glacier National Park, Flathead Lake, and lunch on the top of The Big Mountain Ski Resort. Conference activities included fishing, hiking, rafting, golfing, horseback trail rides, softball and of course, shopping.

Providing a real flavor of Montana was Vince Yannon of the Montana Department of Fish, Wildlife and Parks with his live animal presentation. Montana recording artists Jack Gladstone and Grammy-nominated pianist Philip Aaberg entertained Secretaries and guests on the last day of the conference.

The unofficial theme of the conference was “No Ties Allowed” as Montana Secretary of State staff were equipped with scissors to immediately remove any offending ties during this casual but busy conference.

(Submitted by Mike Cooney)
78th CONFERENCE
August 26–31, 1995, at The Rushmore Holiday Inn, Rapid City, South Dakota

Executive Committee:
President  Rufus Edmisten, North Carolina
President Elect  Joyce Hazeltine, South Dakota
Secretary/Treasurer  Jim Miles, South Carolina
Southern Region Vice President  Jim Miles, South Carolina
Mid-Western Region Vice President  Al Jaeger, North Dakota
Western Region Vice President  Mike Cooney, Montana
Eastern Region Vice President  Bill Diamond, Maine
At-Large Member  Bob Taft, Ohio
At-Large Member  Jim Bennett, Alabama
Past President  Natalie Meyer, Colorado
79th CONFERENCE
July 27 – August 1, 1996 at the Charleston Place Hotel in Charleston, South Carolina

Executive Committee:
President Joyce Hazeltine, South Dakota
President Elect Mike Cooney, Montana
Secretary/Treasurer Bill Diamond, Maine
Eastern Region Vice President Bill Diamond, Maine
Mid-Western Region Vice President Al Jaeger, North Dakota
Southern Region Vice President Jim Bennett, Alabama
Western Region Vice President Olene Walker, Utah
Past President Rufus Edmisten, North Carolina
At-Large Member Jim Miles, South Carolina
At-Large Member Bob Taft, Ohio
80th CONFERENCE
July 26–31, 1997 at The Adams Mark Hotel in Mobile, Alabama

Executive Committee:
President Mike Cooney, Montana
President Elect Olene Walker, Utah
Secretary/Treasurer Miles Rapoport, Connecticut
Past President Joyce Hazeltine, South Dakota
Eastern Region Vice President Miles Rapoport, Connecticut
Mid-Western Region Vice President Ron Thornburgh, Kansas
Southern Region Vice President Sharon Priest, Arkansas
Western Region Vice President Bill Jones, California
At-Large Members Tom Cole, Oklahoma
Riley Darnell, Tennessee
Executive Committee:
President: Olene Walker, Utah
President Elect: Bill Gardner, New Hampshire
Treasurer: Riley Darnell, Tennessee
Eastern Region Vice President: Miles Rapoport, Connecticut
Mid-Western Region Vice President: Bekki Cook, Missouri
Southern Region Vice President: Jim Bennett, Alabama
Western Region Vice President: Bill Jones, California
At-Large Members: Sharon Priest, Arizona, Tom Cole, Oklahoma
82nd CONFERENCE
June 26–July 1, 1999 at Regal Riverfront Hotel, St. Louis, Missouri

Executive Committee:
President Bill Gardner, New Hampshire
President Elect Jim Bennett, Alabama
Treasurer Riley Darnell, Tennessee
Past President Olene Walker, Utah
Eastern Region Vice President Dan Gwadosky, Maine
Southern Region Vice President Elaine Marshall, North Carolina
Mid Western Region Vice President Ron Thornburgh, Kansas
Western Region Vice President Bill Jones, California
At-Large Member Bekki Cook, Missouri
At-Large Member Al Jaeger, North Dakota
83rd CONFERENCE
June 27–July 2, 2000 at the Renaissance Harborplace Hotel in Baltimore, Maryland

President Jim Bennett, Alabama
President Elect Sharon Priest, Arkansas
Secretary Riley Darnell, Tennessee

Treasurer Ron Thornburgh, Kansas
Past President William Gardner, New Hampshire
Eastern Region Vice President Dan Gwadosky, Maine
Southern Region Vice President Elaine Marshall, North Carolina
Mid-Western Region Vice President Al Jaeger, North Dakota
Western Region Vice President Bill Jones, California
At-Large Member Bekki Cook, Missouri
At-Large Member Sandy Treadwell, New York
Executive Committee:
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Past President
Eastern Region Vice President
Southern Region Vice President
Western Region Vice President
Mid-Western Vice President
At-Large Member
At-Large Member

Sharon Priest, Arkansas
Ron Thornburgh, Kansas
Dan Gwadosky, Maine
Riley Darnell, Tennessee
Jim Bennett, Alabama
Kim Pizzigrilli, Pennsylvania
John Y. Brown, Kentucky
Bill Jones, California
Chet Culver, Iowa
Elaine Marshall, North Carolina
Al Jaeger, North Dakota
85th CONFERENCE
July 26–30, 2002 at the Westin Hotel, Providence, Rhode Island

President                  Ron Thornburgh, Kansas
President Elect            Dan Gwadosky, Maine
Past President             Sharon Priest, Arizona
Secretary/Treasurer         Mary Kiffmeyer, Minnesota
Eastern Region Vice President John Willis, Maryland
Southern Region Vice President Cathy Cox, Georgia
Mid-Western Region Vice President J. Kenneth Blackwell, Ohio
Western Region Vice President Dean Heller, Nevada
At-Large Member             Rebecca Vigil-Giron, New Mexico
At-Large Member             Donetta Davidson, Colorado

NASS CONFERENCES
86th CONFERENCE
July 25-28, 2003 at Holiday Inn by the Bay in Portland, Maine

President Dan Gwadosky, Maine
President Elect Mary Kiffmeyer, Minnesota
Past President Ron Thornburgh, Kansas
Secretary John Y. Brown III, Kentucky
Treasurer Rebecca Vigil-Giron, New Mexico
Eastern Region Vice President Deb Markowitz, Vermont
Southern Region Vice President Cathy Cox, Georgia
Mid-Western Region Vice President Al Jaeger, North Dakota
Western Region Vice President Dean Heller, Nevada
At-Large Member Chet Culver, Iowa
At-Large Member Donetta Davidson, Colorado

87th CONFERENCE
July 15-19, 2004 at The Sheraton in New Orleans, Louisiana

President Mary Kiffmeyer, Minnesota
President Elect Rebecca Vigil-Giron, New Mexico
Past President Dan Gwadosky, Maine
Secretary Sam Reed, Washington
Treasurer Donetta Davidson, Colorado
Eastern Region Vice President William Gardner, New Hampshire
Southern Region Vice President Eric Clark, Mississippi
Mid-Western Region Vice President Ron Thornburgh, Kansas
Western Region Vice President Dean Heller, Nevada
At-Large Member John Gale, Nebraska
At-Large Member Elaine Marshall, North Carolina
88th CONFERENCE
July 22–25, 2005 at the Radisson Riverfront in St. Paul, MN

President            Rebecca Vigil–Giron, NM
Past President       Mary Kiffmeyer, MN
President Elect      Donetta Davidson, CO
Treasurer            Deb Markowitz, VT
Secretary            Chet Culver, IA
Eastern              Pedro Cortes, PA
Southern             Cathy Cox, GA
Mid–Western          Ron Thornburgh, KS
Western              Joe Meyer, WY
At Large             Bill Bradbury, OR
At Large             John Gale, NE
89th CONFERENCE
July 9–13, 2006 at the Eldorado Hotel in Santa Fe, New Mexico

NASS President
Hon. Sam Reed, Washington

President Elect
Hon. Deb Markowitz, Vermont

Treasurer
Hon. Todd Rokita, Indiana

Secretary
Hon. Joe Meyer, Wyoming

Past President
Hon. Rebecca Vigil–Giron, New Mexico

Eastern Region Vice President
Hon. Pedro Cortes, Pennsylvania

Southern Region Vice President
Hon. Riley Darnell, Tennessee

Mid Western Region Vice President
Hon. John Gale, Nebraska

Western Region Vice President
Hon. Ben Ysursa, Idaho

Member at Large (NPA Liaison)
Hon. Al Jaeger, North Dakota

Member at Large (ACR Liaison)
Hon. Bill Bradbury, Oregon
90th CONFERENCE

July 13–20, 2007 at the Hilton Portland & Executive Tower in Portland, Oregon

President
Hon. Deb Markowitz, Vermont

President Elect
Hon. Todd Rokita, Indiana

Treasurer
Hon. Pedro Cortes, Pennsylvania

Secretary
Hon. Bill Bradbury, Oregon

Past President
Hon. Sam Reed, Washington

Eastern Region Vice President
Hon. Matt Dunlap, Maine

Southern Region Vice President
Hon. Eric Clark, Mississippi

Mid Western Region Vice President
Hon. Robin Carnahan, Missouri

Western Region Vice President
Hon. Ben Ysursa, Idaho

Member at Large (ACR Liaison)
Hon. Betty Ireland, West Virginia

Member at Large (NPA Liaison)
Hon. Brad Johnson, Montana
91st CONFERENCE  
July 25–28, 2008 at the Amway Grand Plaza in Grand Rapids, Michigan

NASS President: Hon. Todd Rokita, Indiana
President Elect: Hon. Pedro A. Cortés, Pennsylvania
Treasurer: Hon. Trey Grayson, Kentucky
Secretary: Hon. Betty Ireland, West Virginia
Past President: Hon. Deb Markowitz, Vermont
Eastern Region Vice President: Hon. A. Ralph Mollis, Rhode Island
Southern Region Vice President: Hon. Charlie Daniels, Arkansas
Mid Western Region Vice President: Hon. Terri Lynn Land, Michigan
Western Region Vice President: Hon. Ben Ysursa, Idaho
Member at Large (NPA Liaison): Hon. Brad Johnson, Montana
Member at Large (ACR Liaison): Hon. William Gardner, New Hampshire
92nd CONFERENCE
July 16–19, 2009 at the Hilton Minneapolis in Minneapolis, Minnesota

NASS President
Hon. Pedro A. Cortés, Pennsylvania

President Elect
Hon. Trey Grayson, Kentucky

Treasurer
Hon. Matthew Dunlap, Maine

Secretary
Hon. Robin Carnahan, Missouri

Past President
Hon. Todd Rokita, Indiana

Eastern Region Vice President
Hon. A. Ralph Mollis, Rhode Island

Southern Region Vice President
Hon. Karen Handel, Georgia

Mid Western Region Vice President
Hon. Jennifer Brunner, Ohio

Western Region Vice President
Hon. Ben Ysursa, Idaho

Member at Large (NPA Liaison)
Hon. John Gale, Nebraska

Member at Large (ACR Liaison)
Hon. Lorraine Cortés-Vázquez, New York
93rd Conference
_July 17–20, 2010 at the Rhode Island Convention Center Providence, Rhode Island_

NASS President
Hon. Trey Grayson, Kentucky

President Elect
Hon. Matthew Dunlap, Maine

Treasurer
Hon. Beth Chapman, Alabama

Secretary
Hon. Mark Ritchie, Minnesota

Past President
Vacant

Eastern Region Vice President
Hon. A. Ralph Mollis, Rhode Island

Southern Region Vice President
Hon. Tre Hargett, Tennessee

Mid Western Region Vice President
Hon. Todd Rokita, Indiana

Western Region Vice President
Hon. Sam Reed, Washington

Member at Large (NPA Liaison)
Hon. Kate Brown, Oregon

Member at Large (ACR Liaison)
Hon. Alvin “Al” Jaeger, North Dakota
NASS President  
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President Elect  
Hon. Beth Chapman, Alabama
Treasurer  
Hon. Ross Miller, Nevada
Secretary  
Hon. Kate Brown, Oregon
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Vacant
Eastern Region Vice President  
Hon. A. Ralph Mollis, Rhode Island
Southern Region Vice President  
Hon. Tre Hargett, Tennessee
Mid Western Region Vice President  
Hon. Robin Carnahan, Missouri
Western Region Vice President  
Hon. Ben Ysursa, Idaho
Member at Large (NPA Liaison)  
Hon. John McDonough, Maryland
Member at Large (ACR Liaison)  
Hon. John Gale, Nebraska
95th Conference
July 14–17, 2012 at the Caribe Hilton in San Juan, Puerto Rico

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Southern Region Vice President
Mid Western Region Vice President
Western Region Vice President
Member at Large (NPA Liaison)
Member at Large (ACR Liaison)

Hon. Beth Chapman, Alabama
Hon. Ross Miller, Nevada
Hon. Tre Hargett, Tennessee
Hon. Linda McCulloch, Montana
Hon. Mark Ritchie, Minnesota
Hon. Denise Merrill, Connecticut
Hon. Brian Kemp, Georgia
Hon. John Gale, Nebraska
Hon. Ken Bennett, Arizona
Hon. Mark Hammond, South Carolina
Hon. Kate Brown, Oregon
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Hon. Beth Chapman, Alabama
Eastern Region Vice President
Hon. Jeffrey Bullock, Delaware
Southern Region Vice President
Hon. Brian Kemp, Georgia
Mid Western Region Vice President
Hon. Jon Husted, Ohio
Western Region Vice President
Hon. Linda McCulloch, Montana
Member at Large (NPA Liaison)
Hon. John McDonough, Maryland
Member at Large (ACR Liaison)
Hon. Ken Bennett, Arizona
97th Conference
July 13–16, 2014 at the Baltimore Hilton in Baltimore, Maryland

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Eastern Region Vice President
Southern Region Vice President
Mid Western Region Vice President
Western Region Vice President
Member at Large (NPA Liaison)
Member at Large (ACR Liaison)

Hon. Tre Hargett, Tennessee
Hon. Kate Brown, Oregon
Hon. Jason Gant, South Dakota
Hon. Tom Schedler, Louisiana
Hon. Ross Miller, Nevada
Hon. Jim Condos, Vermont
Hon. Natalie Tennant, West Virginia
Hon. Connie Lawson, Indiana
Hon. Kim Wyman, Washington
Hon. Mark Martin, Arkansas
Hon. Matt Dunlap, Maine
98th Conference
July 9-12, 2015 at the Holiday Inn by the Bay in Portland, Maine

NASS President
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President Elect
Hon. Tom Schedler, Louisiana
Treasurer
Hon. Denise Merrill, Connecticut
Secretary
Hon. Jim Condos, Vermont
Past President
Hon. Tre Hargett, Tennessee
Eastern Region Vice President
Hon. Matt Dunlap, Maine
Southern Region Vice President
Hon. Alison Lundergan Grimes, Kentucky
Mid Western Region Vice President
Hon. Connie Lawson, Indiana
Western Region Vice President
Hon. Kim Wyman, Washington
Member at Large (NPA Liaison)
Hon. Mark Martin, Arkansas
Member at Large (ACR Liaison)
Hon. Jeffrey Bullock, Delaware
99th Conference

July 14–17, 2016 at the Renaissance Nashville Hotel in Nashville, Tennessee

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Hon. Tom Schedler, Louisiana
President Elect
Hon. Denise Merrill, Connecticut
Treasurer
Hon. Kim Wyman, Washington
Secretary
Hon. Mark Martin, Arkansas
Past President
Hon. Elaine Marshall, North Carolina
Eastern Region Vice President
Hon. Jim Condos, Vermont
Southern Region Vice President
Hon. Brian Kemp, Georgia
Mid Western Region Vice President
Hon. Connie Lawson, Indiana
Western Region Vice President
Hon. Linda McCulloch, Montana
Member at Large (NPA Liaison)
Hon. Al Jaeger, North Dakota
Member at Large (ACR Liaison)
Hon. Matt Dunlap, Maine
100th Conference
July 7–10, 2017 at the Westin Indianapolis in Indianapolis, Indiana

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President Elect
Hon. Connie Lawson, Indiana

Treasurer
Hon. Jim Condos, Vermont

Secretary
Hon. Elaine Marshall, North Carolina

Past President
Hon. Tom Schedler, Louisiana

Eastern Region Vice President
Hon. Matt Dunlap, Maine

Southern Region Vice President
Hon. Alison Lundergan Grimes, Kentucky

Mid Western Region Vice President
Hon. Paul Pate, Iowa

Western Region Vice President
Hon. Wayne Williams, Colorado

Member at Large (NPA Liaison)
Hon. Jeffrey Bullock, Delaware

Member at Large (ACR Liaison)
Hon. Mark Martin, Arkansas
101st Conference

July 13-16, 2018 at the Loews Philadelphia Hotel in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

NASS President
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President Elect
Hon. Jim Condos, Vermont
Treasurer
Hon. Paul Pate, Iowa
Secretary
Hon. Wayne Williams, Colorado
Past President
Hon. Denise Merrill, Connecticut
Eastern Region Vice President
Hon. Nellie Gorbea, Rhode Island
Southern Region Vice President
Hon. John Merrill, Alabama
Mid Western Region Vice President
Hon. Steve Simon, Minnesota
Western Region Vice President
Hon. Lawerence Denney, Idaho
Member at Large (NPA Liaison)
Hon. Barbara Cegavske, Nevada
Member at Large (ACR Liaison)
Hon. Matt Dunlap, Maine
102nd Conference
June 30–July 3, 2019 at the Eldorado Hotel & Spa in Santa Fe, New Mexico

NASS President
Hon. Jim Condos, Vermont
President Elect
Hon. Paul Pate, Iowa
Treasurer
Hon. Maggie Toulouse Oliver, New Mexico
Secretary
Hon. Steve Simon, Minnesota
Past President
Hon. Connie Lawson, Indiana
Eastern Region Vice President
Hon. Denise Merrill, Connecticut
Southern Region Vice President
Hon. Tre Hargett, Tennessee
Mid Western Region Vice President
Hon. Jay Ashcroft, Missouri
Western Region Vice President
Hon. Alex Padilla, California
Member at Large (NPA Liaison)
Hon. Al Jaeger, North Dakota
Member at Large (ACR Liaison)
Hon. Matt Dunlap, Maine