

*Office of the Vermont Secretary of State*  
**Vermont State Archives and Records Administration**

**GOVERNORS, Terms of Service**

**Thomas Chittenden, Williston 1778-1789**

**Moses Robinson, Bennington 1789-1790**

**Thomas Chittenden<sup>1</sup>, Williston 1790-1797**

**Paul Brigham<sup>2</sup>, Norwich August 25-October 16, 1797**

**Isaac Tichenor, Bennington 1797-1807**

**Israel Smith, Rutland 1807-1808**

**Isaac Tichenor, Bennington 1808-1809**

**Jonas Galusha, Shaftsbury 1809-1813**

**Martin Chittenden, Jericho 1813-1815**

**Jonas Galusha, Shaftsbury 1815-1820**

**Richard Skinner, Manchester 1820-1823**

**Cornelius P. Van Ness, Burlington 1823-1826**

**Ezra Butler, Waterbury 1826-1828**

**Samuel C. Crafts, Craftsbury 1828-1831**

**William A. Palmer, Danville 1831-1835**

**Silas H. Jenison<sup>3</sup>, Shoreham 1835-1836**

**Silas H. Jenison, Shoreham 1836-1841**

**Charles Paine, Northfield 1841-1843**

**John Mattocks, Peacham 1843-1844**

**William Slade, Middlebury 1844-1846**

**Horace Eaton, Enosburg 1846-1848**

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<sup>1</sup> Died August 25, 1797.

<sup>2</sup> Lieutenant Governor, Governor on death of Governor Chittenden.

<sup>3</sup> Lieutenant Governor, acting Governor because no governor was elected.

**Carlos Coolidge, Windsor 1848-1850**  
**Charles K. Williams, Rutland 1850-1852**  
**Erastus Fairbanks, St. Johnsbury 1852-1853**  
**John S. Robinson, Bennington 1853-1854**  
**Stephen Royce, Berkshire 1854-1856**  
**Ryland Fletcher, Cavendish 1856-1858**  
**Hiland Hall, Bennington 1858-1860**  
**Erastus Fairbanks, St. Johnsbury 1860-1861**  
**Frederick Holbrook, Brattleboro 1861-1863**  
**J. Gregory Smith, St. Albans 1863-1865**  
**Paul Dillingham, Waterbury 1865-1867**  
**John B. Page, Rutland Town 1867-1869**  
**Peter T. Washburn<sup>4</sup>, Woodstock 1869-1870**  
**George W. Hendee<sup>5</sup>, Morristown 1870**  
**John W. Stewart, Middlebury 1870-1872**  
**Julius Converse, Woodstock 1872-1874**  
**Asahel Peck, Jericho 1874-1876**  
**Horace Fairbanks, St. Johnsbury 1876-1878**  
**Redfield Proctor, Rutland 1878-1880**  
**Roswell Farnham, Bradford 1880-1882**  
**John L. Barstow, Shelburne 1882-1884**  
**Samuel E. Pingree, Hartford 1884-1886**  
**Ebenezer J. Ormsbee, Brandon 1886-1888**  
**William P. Dillingham, Waterbury 1888-1890**  
**Carroll S. Page, Hyde Park 1890-1892**

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<sup>4</sup> Died in office, February 7, 1870.

<sup>5</sup> Lieutenant Governor, Governor on death of Governor Washburn.

**Levi K. Fuller, Brattleboro 1892-1894**  
**Urban A. Woodbury, Burlington 1894-1896**  
**Josiah Grout, Derby 1896-1898**  
**Edward C. Smith, St. Albans City 1898-1900**  
**William W. Stickney, Ludlow 1900-1902**  
**John G. McCullough, Bennington 1902-1904**  
**Charles J. Bell, Walden 1904-1906**  
**Fletcher D. Proctor, Proctor 1906-1908**  
**George H. Prouty, Newport 1908-1910**  
**John A. Mead, Rutland City 1910-1912**  
**Allen M. Fletcher, Cavendish 1912-1915**  
**Charles W. Gates, Franklin 1915-1917**  
**Horace F. Graham, Craftsbury 1917-1919**  
**Percival W. Clement, Rutland City 1919-1921**  
**James Hartness, Springfield 1921-1923**  
**Redfield Proctor II, Proctor 1923-1925**  
**Franklin S. Billings, Woodstock 1925-1927**  
**John E. Weeks, Middlebury 1927-1931**  
**Stanley C. Wilson, Chelsea 1931-1935**  
**Charles M. Smith, Rutland City 1935-1937**  
**George D. Aiken, Putney 1937-1941**  
**William H. Wills, Bennington 1941-1945**  
**Mortimer R. Proctor, Proctor 1945-1947**  
**Ernest W. Gibson, Jr.<sup>6</sup>, Brattleboro 1947-1950**  
**Harold J. Arthur, Burlington 1950-1951<sup>7</sup>**

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<sup>6</sup> Resigned January 16, 1950 to accept appointment as a U.S. District Judge.

**Lee E. Emerson, Barton 1951-1955**  
**Joseph B. Johnson, Springfield 1955-1959**  
**Robert T. Stafford, Rutland City 1959-1961**  
**F. Ray Keyser, Jr., Chelsea 1961-1963**  
**Philip H. Hoff, Burlington 1963-1969**  
**Deane C. Davis, Montpelier 1969-1973**  
**Thomas P. Salmon, Rockingham 1973-1977**  
**Richard A. Snelling, Shelburne 1977-1985**  
**Madeleine M. Kunin, Shelburne 1985-1991**  
**Richard A. Snelling<sup>8</sup>, Shelburne 1991**  
**Howard Dean<sup>9</sup>, Shelburne 1991-2003**  
**James H. Douglas, Middlebury 2003-2011**  
**Peter Shumlin, Putney 2011-**

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<sup>7</sup> Became Governor when Governor Gibson resigned on January 16, 1950.

<sup>8</sup> Died in Office August 13, 1991.

<sup>9</sup> Lieutenant Governor, Governor on death of Governor Snelling and was subsequently elected.