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GOVERNORS OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN, 1835-2009

D — Stevens T. Mason 1835-1840
W — William Woodbridge¹ 1840-1841
W — James Wright Gordon² 1841-1842
D — John S. Barry 1842-1846
D — Alpheus Felch³ 1846-1847
D — William L. Greenly² 1847-1848
D — Epaphroditus Ransom 1848-1850
D — John S. Barry 1850-1851
D — Robert McClelland⁴ 1852-1853
D — Andrew Parsons² 1853-1854
R — Kinsley S. Bingham 1855-1858
R — Moses Wisner 1859-1860
R — Austin Blair 1861-1864
R — Henry H. Crapo 1865-1868
R — Henry P. Baldwin 1869-1872
R — John J. Bagley 1873-1876
R — Charles M. Crosswell 1877-1880
R — David H. Jerome 1881-1882
D — Josiah W. Begole⁵ 1883-1884
R — Russell A. Alger 1885-1886
R — Cyrus G. Luce 1887-1890
D — Edwin B. Winans 1891-1892
R — John T. Rich 1893-1896
R — Hazen S. Pingree 1897-1900

R — Aaron T. Bliss 1901-1904
R — Fred M. Warner⁶ 1905-1910
R — Chase S. Osborn 1911-1912
D — Woodbridge N. Ferris 1913-1916
R — Albert E. Sleeper 1917-1920
R — Alexander J. Groesbeck 1921-1926
R — Fred W. Green 1927-1930
R — Wilber M. Brucker 1931-1932
D — William A. Comstock 1933-1934
R — Frank D. Fitzgerald 1935-1936
D — Frank Murphy 1937-1938
R — Frank D. Fitzgerald⁷ 1939
R — Luren D. Dickinson⁸ 1939-1940
D — Murray D. Van Wagoner 1941-1942
R — Harry F. Kelly 1943-1946
R — Kim Sigler 1947-1948
D — G. Mennen Williams 1949-1960
D — John B. Swainson 1961-1962
R — George Romney⁹ 1963-1969
R — William G. Milliken 1969-1982
D — James J. Blanchard 1983-1990
R — John M. Engler 1991-2002
D — Jennifer M. Granholm 2003-

Political Party Designations

D — Democrat
R — Republican
W — Whig

¹ Resigned February 23, 1841, to become U.S. senator; James Wright Gordon succeeded as acting governor February 24, 1841.

² Lieutenant governor and acting governor.

³ Resigned March 3, 1847, to become U.S. senator; William L. Greenly succeeded as acting governor March 4, 1847.

⁴ Under the provisions of Const. 1850, art. 4, §34, and art. 5, §3, and Act 175 of the Extra Session of 1851, Laws of Michigan, elected to 1-year term in 1851 and reelected to full 2-year term in 1852; resigned March 7, 1853, to become U.S. secretary of interior and succeeded by Andrew Parsons as acting governor March 8, 1853.

⁵ Fusionist.

⁶ First governor to be nominated under direct, primary election system.

⁷ Died March 16, 1939; Luren D. Dickinson succeeded as acting governor.

⁸ Lieutenant governor and acting governor; see Opinion of the Attorney General, 1939-1940, p. 69.

⁹ First governor to be elected with lieutenant governor as a single ticket; in 1966, first governor elected to 4-year term; resigned January 22, 1969, to become U.S. secretary of housing and urban development; William G. Milliken succeeded as governor. See Const. 1963, art. 5, §21, and sched. §5.



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LIEUTENANT GOVERNORS, 1835-2009

D — Edward Mundy	1835-1840	R — Alexander Maitland	1903-1906
W — James Wright Gordon ¹	1840-1841	R — Patrick H. Kelley	1907-1910
W — Thomas J. Drake ²	1841	R — John Q. Ross	1911-1914
D — Origen D. Richardson	1842-1846	R — Luren D. Dickinson	1915-1920
D — William L. Greenly ³	1846-1847	R — Thomas Read	1921-1924
D — Charles P. Bush ⁴	1847	R — George W. Welsh	1925-1926
D — William M. Fenton	1848-1851	R — Luren D. Dickinson	1927-1932
D — Calvin Britain ⁵	1852	D — Allen E. Stebbins	1933-1934
D — Andrew Parsons ⁶	1853	R — Thomas Read	1935-1936
D — George Griswold ⁶	1853-1854	D — Leo J. Nowicki	1937-1938
R — George Coe	1855-1858	R — Luren D. Dickinson ¹¹	1939
R — Edmund B. Fairfield	1859-1860	R — Matilda R. Wilson ¹²	1940
R — James Birney ⁷	1861	D — Frank Murphy	1941-1942
R — Joseph R. Williams ⁸	1861	R — Eugene C. Keyes	1943-1944
R — Henry T. Backus ⁶	1861-1862	R — Vernon J. Brown	1945-1946
R — Charles S. May	1863-1864	R — Eugene C. Keyes	1947-1948
R — Ebenezer O. Grosvenor	1865-1866	D — John W. Connolly	1949-1950
R — Dwight May	1867-1868	R — William C. Vandenberg	1951-1952
R — Morgan Bates	1869-1872	R — Clarence A. Reid	1953-1954
R — Henry H. Holt	1873-1876	D — Philip A. Hart	1955-1958
R — Alonzo Sessions	1877-1880	D — John B. Swainson	1959-1960
R — Moreau S. Crosby	1881-1884	D — T. John Lesinski	1961-1964
R — Archibald Butters	1885-1886	R — William G. Milliken ¹³	1965-1969
R — James H. MacDonald ⁹	1889	R — Thomas F. Schweigert ¹⁴	1970
R — William Ball ⁶	1889-1890	R — James H. Brickley	1971-1974
D — John Strong	1891-1892	R — James J. Damman	1975-1978
R — J. Wight Giddings	1893-1894	R — James H. Brickley	1979-1982
R — Alfred Milnes ¹⁰	1895	D — Martha W. Griffiths	1983-1990
R — Joseph R. McLaughlin ⁶	1895-1896	R — Connie B. Binsfeld	1991-1998
R — Thomas B. Dunstan	1897-1898	R — Dick Posthumus	1999-2002
R — Orrin W. Robinson	1899-1902	D — John D. Cherry, Jr.	2003-

Political Party Designations

D — Democrat
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W — Whig

¹ Became acting governor upon resignation of William Woodbridge, February 24, 1841. See Const. 1835, art. 5, §13.

² Following vacancy created in the office of lieutenant governor, elected president pro tem of the senate to perform lieutenant governor's duties as president of the senate. See Const. 1835, art. 5, §15.

³ Became acting governor upon resignation of Alpheus Felch, March 4, 1847.

⁴ Under the provisions of Const. 1850, art. 4, §34, and art. 5, §3, and Act 175 of the Extra Session of 1851, Laws of Michigan, elected to 1-year term only in 1851.

⁵ Became acting governor upon resignation of Robert McClelland, March 8, 1853. See Const. 1850, art. 5, §12.

⁶ Following vacancy created in the office of lieutenant governor, elected president pro tem of the senate to perform lieutenant governor's duties as president of the senate. See Const. 1850, art. 5, §14.

⁷ Resigned April 3, 1861.

⁸ Following vacancy created in the office of lieutenant governor, elected president pro tem of the senate to perform lieutenant governor's duties as president of the senate; died 1861.

⁹ Died January 19, 1889.

¹⁰ Resigned May 31, 1895, to become U.S. representative to Congress.

¹¹ Became acting governor upon death of Frank D. Fitzgerald, March 16, 1939; see Const. 1908, art. 6, §16, and Opinion of the Attorney General, 1939-1940, p. 69.

¹² Appointed November 14, 1940, by Acting Governor Luren D. Dickinson. There is some question as to whether Matilda R. Wilson became, in fact, lieutenant governor during the last 6 weeks of Luren D. Dickinson's term as acting governor. See Opinion of the Attorney General, 1939-1940, p. 69.

¹³ First lieutenant governor to be elected as part of a single party ticket; in 1966, first lieutenant governor elected to a 4-year term; became governor upon resignation of George Romney, January 22, 1969. See Const. 1963, art. 5, §§21 and 26, and sched. §5.

¹⁴ Served March 20 to December 31, 1970. See Opinion of the Attorney General, No. 4625, April 22, 1968, and Act 8 of 1969.



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SECRETARIES OF STATE, 1835-2009

Kintzing Pritchette	1835-1838
Randolph Manning	1838-1840
Thomas Rowland	1840-1842
Robert P. Eldredge	1842-1846
Gideon O. Whittemore	1846-1848
George W. Peck	1848-1850
George R. Redfield ¹	1850
Charles H. Taylor ²	1850-1852
William Graves	1853-1854
John McKinney	1855-1858
Nelson G. Isbell	1859-1860
James B. Porter	1861-1866
Oliver L. Spaulding	1867-1870
Daniel Striker	1871-1874
Ebenezer G. D. Holden	1875-1878
William Jenney	1879-1882
Harry A. Conant	1883-1886
Gilbert R. Osmun	1887-1890
Daniel E. Soper ³	1891
Robert R. Blacker	1891-1892
John W. Jochim ⁴	1893-1894

Washington Gardner	1894-1898
Justus S. Stearns	1899-1900
Fred M. Warner	1901-1904
George A. Prescott	1905-1908
Frederick C. Martindale	1909-1914
Coleman C. Vaughan	1915-1920
Charles J. DeLand	1921-1926
John S. Haggerty	1927-1930
Frank D. Fitzgerald ⁵	1931-1934
Clarke W. Brown	1934
Orville E. Atwood	1935-1936
Leon D. Case	1937-1938
Harry F. Kelly	1939-1942
Herman H. Dignan	1943-1946
Fred M. Alger, Jr.	1947-1952
Owen J. Cleary	1953-1954
James M. Hare ⁶	1955-1970
Richard H. Austin	1971-1994
Candice S. Miller	1995-2002
Terri Lynn Land	2003-

¹ Resigned April 11, 1850; succeeded by Charles H. Taylor.

² First elected secretary of state. See Act 23 of 1850, Laws of Michigan, and Const. 1850, art. 8, §1.

³ Resigned December 19, 1891; Robert R. Blacker appointed December 24, 1891.

⁴ Removed by governor March 20, 1894; Washington Gardner appointed March 20, 1894. See Const. 1850, art. 8, §3, and art. 12, §8.

⁵ Resigned November 15, 1934; succeeded by Clarke W. Brown.

⁶ In 1966, first secretary of state elected to 4-year term. See Const. 1963, art. 5, §21, and sched. §5.

ATTORNEYS GENERAL, 1836-2009

Daniel LeRoy	1836-1837
Peter Morey	1837-1841
Zephaniah Platt	1841-1843
Elon Farnsworth	1843-1845
Henry N. Walker	1845-1847
Edward Mundy ¹	1847-1848
George V. N. Lothrop	1848-1851
William Hale ²	1851-1854
Jacob M. Howard	1855-1860
Charles Upson	1861-1862
Albert Williams	1863-1866
William L. Stoughton	1867-1868
Dwight May	1869-1872
Byron D. Ball ³	1873-1874
Isaac Marston	1874
Andrew J. Smith	1875-1876
Otto Kirchner	1877-1880
Jacob J. Van Riper	1881-1884
Moses Taggart	1885-1888
Stephen V. R. Trowbridge ⁴	1889-1890
Benjamin W. Huston	1890
Adolphus A. Ellis	1891-1894
Fred A. Maynard	1895-1898
Horace M. Oren	1899-1902
Charles A. Blair	1903-1904
John E. Bird ⁵	1905-1910

Franz C. Kuhn ⁶	1910-1912
Roger I. Wykes	1912
Grant Fellows	1913-1916
Alexander J. Groesbeck	1917-1920
Merlin Wiley ⁷	1921-1923
Andrew B. Dougherty ⁸	1923-1926
Clare Retan	1926
William W. Potter ⁹	1927-1928
Wilber M. Brucker	1928-1930
Paul W. Voorhies	1931-1932
Patrick H. O'Brien	1933-1934
Harry S. Toy ¹⁰	1935
David H. Crowley	1935-1936
Raymond W. Starr	1937-1938
Thomas Read	1939-1940
Herbert J. Rushton	1941-1944
John R. Dethmers ¹¹	1945-1946
Foss O. Eldred	1946
Eugene F. Black	1947-1948
Stephen J. Roth	1949-1950
Frank G. Millard	1951-1954
Thomas M. Kavanagh ¹²	1955-1957
Paul L. Adams ¹³	1958-1961
Frank J. Kelley ¹⁴	1961-1998
Jennifer M. Granholm	1999-2002
Mike Cox	2003-

¹ Resigned; appointed to Michigan Supreme Court April 3, 1848, and succeeded by George V. N. Lothrop.

² First elected attorney general. See Act 23 of 1850, Laws of Michigan, and Const. 1850, art. 8, §1.

³ Resigned April 1, 1874; succeeded by Isaac Marston.

⁴ Resigned March 25, 1890; succeeded by Benjamin W. Huston.

⁵ Resigned June 6, 1910; succeeded by Franz C. Kuhn.

⁶ Resigned September 9, 1912; succeeded by Roger I. Wykes.

⁷ Resigned January 4, 1923; Andrew B. Dougherty appointed January 9, 1923.

⁸ Resigned October 27, 1926; succeeded by Clare Retan.

⁹ Resigned February 16, 1928; Wilber M. Brucker succeeded February 18, 1928.

¹⁰ Resigned October 24, 1935; succeeded by David H. Crowley.

¹¹ Resigned August 15, 1946; Foss O. Eldred succeeded September 9, 1946.

¹² Resigned December 4, 1957; Paul L. Adams succeeded January 1, 1958.

¹³ Resigned; appointed to Michigan Supreme Court December 27, 1961; Frank J. Kelley appointed December 28, 1961.

¹⁴ In 1966, first attorney general elected to 4-year term. See Const. 1963, art. 5, §21, and sched. §5.

STATE TREASURERS, 1836-2009

Henry Howard ¹	1836-1839	Frank P. Glazier ⁶	1905-1908
Peter Desnoyer	1839-1840	John T. Rich	1908
Robert Stuart ²	1840-1841	Albert E. Sleeper	1909-1912
George W. Jermain	1841-1842	John W. Haarer	1913-1916
John J. Adam ³	1842-1845	Samuel Odell ⁷	1917-1919
George R. Redfield	1845-1846	Frank E. Gorman	1919-1924
George B. Cooper	1846-1850	Frank D. McKay	1925-1930
Bernard C. Whittemore ⁴	1850-1854	Howard C. Lawrence	1931-1932
Silas M. Holmes	1855-1858	Theodore I. Fry	1933-1938
John McKinney	1859-1860	Miller Duncel	1939-1940
John Owen	1861-1866	Theodore I. Fry	1941-1942
Ebenezer O. Grosvenor	1867-1870	D. Hale Brake	1943-1954
Victory P. Collier	1871-1874	Sanford A. Brown	1955-1965
William B. McCreery	1875-1878	Allison Green ⁸	1965-1978
Benjamin D. Pritchard	1879-1882	Loren E. Monroe ⁹	1978-1982
Edward H. Butler	1883-1886	Robert A. Bowman	1983-1991
George L. Maltz	1887-1890	Douglas B. Roberts ¹⁰	1991-1998
Frederick Braastad	1891-1892	Mark A. Murray ¹¹	1999-2001
Joseph F. Hambitzer ⁵	1893-1894	Douglas B. Roberts ¹²	2001-2002
James M. Wilkinson	1894-1896	Jay B. Rising ¹³	2003-2006
George A. Steel	1897-1900	Robert J. Kleine ¹⁴	2006-
Daniel McCoy	1901-1904		

¹ Resigned May 1, 1839; succeeded by Peter Desnoyer, appointed by governor to fill vacancy, until Robert Stuart appointed by legislature January 23, 1840. See Const. 1835, art. 5, §12, and art. 7, §2.

² Resigned July 8, 1841; succeeded by George W. Jermain, appointed by governor, until John J. Adam appointed by legislature January 13, 1842.

³ Resigned May 31, 1845; succeeded by George Redfield, appointed by governor, until George B. Cooper appointed by legislature March 12, 1846.

⁴ First elected state treasurer. See Act 23 of 1850, Laws of Michigan, and Const. 1850, art. 8, §1.

⁵ Removed March 20, 1894; succeeded by James M. Wilkinson. See Const. 1850, art. 8, §3, and art. 12, §8.

⁶ Resigned January 22, 1908; John T. Rich appointed January 23, 1908.

⁷ Resigned May 21, 1919; succeeded by Frank E. Gorman.

⁸ Nominated and confirmed September 14, 1965; resigned September 4, 1978, and succeeded by Loren E. Monroe. See Const. 1963, art. 5, §§2 and 3.

⁹ Nominated August 18, 1978, for a term to begin September 5, 1978; formally confirmed October 31, 1979. See Const. 1963, art. 5, §§3 and 6.

¹⁰ Resigned November 20, 1998; chief deputy state treasurer Madhu Anderson named acting state treasurer.

¹¹ Appointed by Governor John Engler on December 22, 1998, effective January 10, 1999.

¹² Appointed by Governor John Engler, effective May 1, 2001.

¹³ Appointed by Governor Jennifer M. Granholm, effective January 6, 2003; confirmed by the senate January 21, 2003.

¹⁴ Appointed by Governor Jennifer M. Granholm, effective April 6, 2006; confirmed by the senate May 24, 2006.

AUDITORS GENERAL, 1836-2009

Robert Abbott ¹	1836-1839	Perry F. Powers	1901-1904
Henry Howard	1839-1840	James B. Bradley	1905-1908
Eurotas P. Hastings	1840-1842	Oramel B. Fuller	1909-1932
Alpheus Felch ²	1842	John K. Stack, Jr. ⁶	1933-1935
Henry L. Whipple	1842	John J. O'Hara	1935-1936
Charles G. Hammond ³	1842-1845	George T. Gundry	1937-1938
John J. Adam	1845-1846	Vernon J. Brown	1939-1944
Digby V. Bell ⁴	1846-1848	John D. Morrison, CPA	1945-1946
John J. Adam	1848-1851	Murl K. Aten	1947-1950
John Swegles, Jr. ⁵	1851-1854	John B. Martin, Jr.	1951-1954
Whitney Jones	1855-1858	Victor Targonski ⁷	1955-1956
Daniel L. Case	1859-1860	Frank S. Szymanski ⁸	1956-1959
Langford G. Berry	1861-1862	William R. Hart (acting)	1959
Emil Anneke	1863-1866	Otis M. Smith ⁹	1959-1961
William Humphrey	1867-1874	William A. Burgett (acting)	1961
Ralph Ely	1875-1878	Billie S. Farnum	1961-1964
W. Irving Latimer	1879-1882	Allison Green (acting) ¹⁰	1965
William C. Stevens	1883-1886	Albert Lee, CPA ¹¹	1965-1982
Henry H. Aplin	1887-1890	Franklin C. Pinkelman, CPA ¹²	1982-1989
George W. Stone	1891-1892	Charles S. Jones (acting) ¹³	1989
Stanley W. Turner	1893-1896	Thomas H. McTavish ¹⁴	1989-
Roscoe D. Dix	1897-1900		

¹ Resigned May 1, 1839; succeeded by Henry Howard.

² Resigned April 1, 1842, to accept Michigan Supreme Court appointment; Henry L. Whipple appointed April 4, 1842, "to act as such until the successor of Alpheus Felch be qualified and enter upon the duties of the office;" Charles G. Hammond subsequently appointed to fill vacancy April 13, 1842. See Const. 1835, art. 5, §12, and art. 7, §3.

³ Resigned May 31, 1845; succeeded by John J. Adam.

⁴ Resigned March 20, 1848; succeeded by John J. Adam.

⁵ First elected auditor general. See Act 23 of 1850, Laws of Michigan, and Const. 1850, art. 8, §1.

⁶ Died January 18, 1935; John J. O'Hara appointed and confirmed January 22, 1935. See Const. 1908, art. 6, §10.

⁷ Resigned May 17, 1956; Frank S. Szymanski succeeded June 7, 1956.

⁸ Resigned October 11, 1959; William R. Hart succeeded as acting auditor general October 12, 1959, until Otis M. Smith appointed September 23, 1959, and confirmed by senate October 21, 1959.

⁹ Resigned October 9, 1961; William A. Burgett appointed acting auditor general October 10, 1961, until Billie Sunday Farnum appointed and qualified October 23, 1961.

¹⁰ The provisions of Const. 1963, art. 4, §53, redefined the powers and duties of the office of auditor general, removing a number of responsibilities which had previously been performed by the elected auditor general under the Constitution of 1908. To assume those duties which were no longer under the purview of the auditor general (to be appointed by the legislature pursuant to Const. 1963, art. 4, §53), until the executive branch was reorganized under Const. 1963, art. 5, §2, Governor George Romney appointed Allison Green acting auditor general on January 2, 1965. On February 4, 1965, with House Concurrent Resolution No. 24, the legislature appointed Albert Lee, CPA, auditor general, to assume the new responsibilities of the office outlined in Const. 1963, art. 4, §53. Green remained acting auditor general until his confirmation as state treasurer in September 1965. Those former duties of the elected auditor general for which Green had oversight responsibility were transferred to the department of treasury with the enactment of the Executive Organization Act of 1965, Act 380 of 1965. The office of elected auditor general was also abolished by that act.

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¹² Appointed acting auditor general September 17, 1982; appointed auditor general December 8, 1982.

¹³ Succeeded February 6, 1989, by appointment of Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 20; Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 275 extended appointment from August 1 to November 1, 1989.

¹⁴ Appointed November 2, 1989; House Concurrent Resolution No. 416.



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SUPERINTENDENTS OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION, 1836-2009

John D. Pierce	1836-1841	Thomas E. Johnson ⁸	1919-1926
Franklin Sawyer, Jr.	1841-1843	Wilford L. Coffey	1926-1927
Oliver C. Comstock	1843-1845	Webster H. Pearce	1927-1933
Ira Mayhew	1845-1849	Paul F. Voelker	1933-1935
Francis W. Shearman ¹	1849-1854	Maurice R. Keyworth ⁹	
Ira Mayhew	1855-1858	Eugene B. Elliott ¹⁰	1935-1948
John M. Gregory	1859-1864	Lee M. Thurston ¹¹	1948-1953
Oramel Hosford	1865-1872	Clair L. Taylor	1953-1957
Daniel B. Briggs	1873-1876	Lynn M. Bartlett	1957-1965
Horace S. Tarbell ²	1877-1878	Alexander J. Kloster (acting) ¹²	1965-1966
Cornelius A. Gower ³	1878-1881	Ira Polley ¹³	1966-1969
Varnum B. Cochran ⁴	1881-1883	John W. Porter ¹⁴	1969-1979
Herschel R. Gass ⁵	1883-1885	Eugene T. Paslov (interim) ¹⁵	1979-1980
Theodore Nelson	1885-1886	Phillip E. Runkel ¹⁶	1980-1987
Joseph Estabrook	1887-1890	Gary D. Hawks (interim) ¹⁷	1987-1988
Ferris S. Fitch	1891-1892	Donald L. Bemis ¹⁸	1988-1991
Henry R. Pattengill	1893-1896	Gary D. Hawks (interim) ¹⁹	1991
Jason E. Hammond	1897-1900	Robert E. Schiller ²⁰	1991-1995
Delos Fall	1901-1904	Arthur E. Ellis ²¹	1995-2001
Patrick H. Kelley	1905-1906	Thomas D. Watkins, Jr. ²²	2001-2005
Luther L. Wright ⁶	1907-1913	Jeremy Hughes ²³	2005
Fred L. Keeler ⁷	1913-1919	Michael P. Flanagan ²⁴	2005-

¹ First elected superintendent of public instruction. See Act 23 of 1850, Laws of Michigan, and Const. 1850, art. 8, §1.

² Resigned August 31, 1878; Cornelius A. Gower appointed September 3, 1878.

³ Resigned May 10, 1881; succeeded by Varnum B. Cochran.

⁴ Resigned February 21, 1883; succeeded by Herschel R. Gass.

⁵ Resigned April 2, 1885; Theodore Nelson appointed April 15, 1885.

⁶ Resigned November 15, 1913; succeeded by Fred L. Keeler.

⁷ Died April 4, 1919; Thomas E. Johnson succeeded April 9, 1919.

⁸ Removed by Governor November 6, 1926; Wilford L. Coffey appointed November 16, 1926. See Const. 1908, art. 6, §10, and art. 9, §7.

⁹ Died June 22, 1935, prior to taking office; Eugene B. Elliott appointed July 1, 1935.

¹⁰ Resigned July 1, 1948; Lee M. Thurston appointed August 16, 1948.

¹¹ Resigned June 30, 1953; succeeded by Clair L. Taylor.

¹² Served July 1, 1965, through April 28, 1966. See Const. 1963, art. 8, §3.

¹³ Appointed April 13, 1966; resigned October 8, 1969.

¹⁴ Appointed acting superintendent of public instruction October 14, 1969; appointed superintendent of public instruction October 14, 1970; resigned June 30, 1979.

¹⁵ Appointed May 16, 1979.

¹⁶ Appointed January 29, 1980; resigned May 1, 1987.

¹⁷ Appointed March 26, 1987.

¹⁸ Appointed April 7, 1988; granted leave of absence January 8, 1991; resigned effective June 27, 1991.

¹⁹ Appointed temporary acting superintendent of public instruction January 8, 1991; appointed acting superintendent of public instruction March 5, 1991; appointed interim superintendent of public instruction, effective June 27, 1991.

²⁰ Appointed December 18, 1991.

²¹ Appointed interim superintendent of public instruction, effective August 7, 1995; appointed superintendent of public instruction, effective January 1, 1996; retired April 29, 2001.

²² Appointed effective April 30, 2001; resigned effective March 9, 2005.

²³ Interim Superintendent, March 10, 2005 to July 2, 2005.

²⁴ Appointed May 18, 2005, effective July 12, 2005.

STATE HIGHWAY COMMISSIONERS, 1903-1965¹

Horatio S. Earle	1903-1909	G. Donald Kennedy ⁴	1940-1942
Townsend A. Ely	1909-1913	Lloyd B. Reid	1942-1943
Frank F. Rogers ²	1913-1929	Charles M. Ziegler	1943-1957
Grover C. Dillman	1929-1933	John C. Mackie	1957-1965
Murray D. Van Wagoner ³	1933-1940		

¹ Act 203 of 1903 established the state highway department with a commissioner of highways as the chief officer of the department. The commissioner was originally appointed by the governor by and with the consent of the senate for a 4-year term. Enactment of Act 146 of 1905 resulted in the name of the post being changed to state highway commissioner. The position became an elective, 4-year office with the enactment of Act 283 of 1909. The Constitution of 1963, article 5, section 28, established a state transportation commission and provided for the appointment of a director of the state transportation department. Act 286 of 1964 transferred the powers and duties of the state highway department to the state transportation commission and abolished the office of state highway commissioner effective July 1, 1965.

² Resigned December 21, 1928; succeeded by Grover C. Dillman January 17, 1929.

³ Resigned; G. Donald Kennedy appointed November 12, 1940; elected April 7, 1941, to unexpired term and full term; resigned December 30, 1942.

⁴ Resigned December 30, 1942; Lloyd B. Reid appointed to vacancy December 30, 1942; Charles M. Ziegler elected to unexpired term April 5, 1943.



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STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION, 1849-2009

Samuel Newberry ¹	1849-1850	James F. O'Neil ²⁴	1963-1965
Samuel Barstow	1849-1851	Leon Fill ²⁵	1965-1967
Randolph Manning	1849-1850	Donald M. D. Thurber ²⁵	1965-1967
Isaac E. Cray ²	1850-1854	Carmen L. DelliQuadri ²⁵	1965-1969
George N. Skinner ³	1850-1851	Peter Oppewall ²⁵	1965-1971
Elias M. Skinner	1850-1851	Charles E. Morton ²⁵	1965-1973
Consider A. Stacy	1851-1852	Edwin L. Novak ²⁵	1965-1973
Chauncy Joslin ⁴	1851-1854	Marilyn Jean Kelly ²⁵	1965-1977
Gideon O. Whittemore ⁵	1853-1856	Thomas J. Brennan ^{25, 26}	1965-1972
Hiram L. Miller ⁶	1854-1857	Leroy G. Augenstein ²⁷	1967-1969
John R. Kellogg	1855-1860	James F. O'Neil	1967-1975
D. Bethune Duffield	1856	Gorton Riethmiller ²⁸	1969-1977
Witter J. Baxter ⁷	1857-1881	Michael J. Deeb ²⁹	1969-1974
George Willard	1857-1862	Annetta Miller	1971-1994
Edwin Willits	1861-1872	Barbara A. Dumouchelle	1973-1987
Daniel E. Brown ⁸	1863-1874	William A. Sederburg ³⁰	1973-1975
Edward Dorsch	1873-1878	Edmund F. Vandette	1973-1989
David P. Mayhew	1874	Norman O. Stockmeyer, Sr.	1975-1989
Edgar Rexford	1875-1886	Barbara Roberts Mason	1975-1999
George F. Edwards	1879-1884	Roger B. Tilles ³¹	1975
Bela W. Jenks	1881-1888	Paul B. Henry ³²	1975-1978
James M. Ballou	1885-1890	Gumecindo Salas	1977-1985
Samuel S. Babcock	1887-1892	John Watanen	1977-1985
Perry F. Powers	1889-1900	Silverenia Q. Kanoyton ³³	1978-1981
David A. Hammond ⁹	1891-1896	David Laro	1981-1983
Eugene A. Wilson	1893-1898	Carroll M. Hutton ³⁴	1983-1988
James W. Simmons ¹⁰	1896-1898	Dorothy Beardmore	1985-2001
Elias F. Johnson ¹¹	1898-1901	Cherry Jacobus	1985-1993
Frederick A. Platt ¹²	1899-1901	Gumecindo Salas	1987-1994
Lincoln Avery ¹³	1901	Rollie Hopgood	1988-1991
Luther L. Wright ¹⁴	1901-1907	Barbara A. Dumouchelle ³⁵	1989-1992
James H. Thompson ¹⁵	1901-1905	Marilyn Lundy	1989-1996
Patrick H. Kelley ¹⁶	1901-1905	Richard DeVos ³⁶	1991-1993
Edward C. Hinman ¹⁷	1905-1906	Katherine J. DeGrow ³⁷	1992-1995
William J. McKone ¹⁸	1905-1915	Kathleen Straus	1993-
Dexter M. Ferry, Jr.	1906-1912	Gary Wolfram	1993-1999
William A. Cotton ¹⁹	1907-1911	Clark Durant ³⁸	1995-1999
Thomas W. Nadal ²⁰	1911-1917	Sharon Wise	1995-2002
Frank Cody ²¹	1913-1913	Ruth A. Braun ³⁹	1995-1996
Frederick A. Jeffers	1915-1933	Louis Legg, III	1996
Thomas E. Johnson ²²	1917-1919	Herbert S. Moyer	1997-2004
Allen M. Freeland	1919-1935	Marianne Yared McGuire	1997-
Edna C. Wilson	1933-1939	Sharon L. Gire ⁴⁰	1999-2003
Wynard Wichers ²³	1935-1945	Eileen L. Weiser	1999-2006
Mary F. Farnsworth	1939-1945	Michael Warren, Jr.	1999-2002
Stephen S. Nisbet	1943-1961	John Austin	2001-
Louisa I. Durham	1945-1953	Elizabeth W. Bauer	2003-
Charles G. Burns	1945-1957	Carolyn L. Curtin	2003-
Walter F. Greis	1953-1959	Reginald M. Turner	2003-
Chris Magnusson	1957-1963	Nancy Danhof	2005-
Cornelia A. Robinson ²⁴	1959-1965	Cassandra E. Ulbrich	2007-
Frank Hartman ²⁴	1961-1965		

¹ Resigned March 22, 1850; succeeded by Isaac E. Cray.

² Appointed to vacancy March 29, 1850; one of first elected board members, to 6-year term; died 1854 and succeeded by Hiram L. Miller; see Const. 1850, art. 13, §9, and sched. §28, and Act 175 of the Extra Session of 1851, Laws of Michigan.

³ Died 1851; succeeded by Chauncy Joslin April 2, 1851.

⁴ One of first elected board members, to 2-year term.

⁵ One of first elected board members, to 4-year term; resigned March 28, 1856, and succeeded by D. Bethune Duffield.

⁶ Resigned July 15, 1857; Witter J. Baxter appointed July 21, 1857.

⁷ Resigned October 26, 1876; reelected to 6-year term 1876; resigned April 6, 1881 and succeeded by Bela W. Jenks May 6, 1881.

⁸ Died 1874; succeeded by David P. Mayhew January 18, 1874.

⁹ Resigned August 1, 1896; succeeded by James W. Simmons August 22, 1896.

¹⁰ Resigned; succeeded by Elias F. Johnson May 20, 1898.

¹¹ Resigned; succeeded by Patrick H. Kelley April 15, 1901.

¹² Resigned; succeeded by Lincoln Avery April 15, 1901.

¹³ Resigned; succeeded by Luther L. Wright September 21, 1901.

¹⁴ Resigned; succeeded by William A. Cotton May 4, 1907.

¹⁵ Resigned; succeeded by Edward C. Hinman November 1, 1905.

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¹⁶ Resigned to become superintendent of public instruction; succeeded by William J. McKone January 30, 1905.

¹⁷ Resigned; succeeded by Dexter M. Ferry, Jr. January 11, 1906.

¹⁸ Appointed to vacancy January 26, 1905; elected to 6-year term November 1908; with implementation of the Constitution of 1908, elected again to 6-year term April 1909; see Const. 1908, art. 11, §6.

¹⁹ Resigned; succeeded by Thomas W. Nadal February 8, 1911.

²⁰ Resigned; Thomas E. Johnson appointed September 12, 1917.

²¹ Resigned; Stephen S. Nisbet appointed January 2, 1943.

²² Resigned; Allen M. Freeland appointed April 23, 1919.

²³ Resigned; Louisa I. Durham succeeded September 27, 1945.

²⁴ Cornelia A. Robinson, Frank Hartman, and James F. O'Neil were each elected to full 6-year terms under the Constitution of 1908. With the implementation of the Constitution of 1963, all three terms ended at noon, January 1, 1965. See Const. 1963, art. 8, §3, and sched. §9, and Act 287 of 1964.

²⁵ Under the provisions of the Constitution of 1963, Leon Fill and Donald M. D. Thurber were elected to 2-year terms, Carmen L. DelliQuadri and Marilyn Jean Kelly 4-year terms, Peter Oppewall and Thomas J. Brennan 6-year terms, and Charles E. Morton and Edwin L. Novak 8-year terms, each beginning at noon on January 1, 1965. See Const. 1963, art. 8, §3, and sched. §9, and Act 5 of the 2nd Extra Session of 1963.

²⁶ Resigned; Barbara A. Dumouchelle succeeded January 1, 1973.

²⁷ Deceased; Gorton Riethmiller appointed December 2, 1969.

²⁸ Appointed to fill Leroy G. Augenstein vacancy December 2, 1969, for the term to expire January 1, 1975; appointed to Michael J. Deeb vacancy November 12, 1974, for term to expire January 1, 1977.

²⁹ Resigned; Gorton Riethmiller appointed November 12, 1974.

³⁰ Resigned; Norman O. Stockmeyer, Sr. succeeded January 13, 1975.

³¹ Resigned; Paul B. Henry appointed August 26, 1975.

³² Resigned; Silverenia Q. Kanoyton appointed December 29, 1978.

³³ Resigned; David Laro appointed August 1, 1981.

³⁴ Resigned; Rollie Hopgood appointed September 16, 1988.

³⁵ Resigned; Katherine J. DeGrow appointed July 13, 1992.

³⁶ Resigned; Gary Wolfram appointed January 22, 1993.

³⁷ Resigned; Ruth A. Braun appointed effective February 24, 1995.

³⁸ Resigned; Michael Warren, Jr., appointed effective September 21, 1999.

³⁹ Resigned; Louis Legg, III appointed effective August 21, 1996.

⁴⁰ Resigned; Reginald M. Turner appointed September 25, 2003.