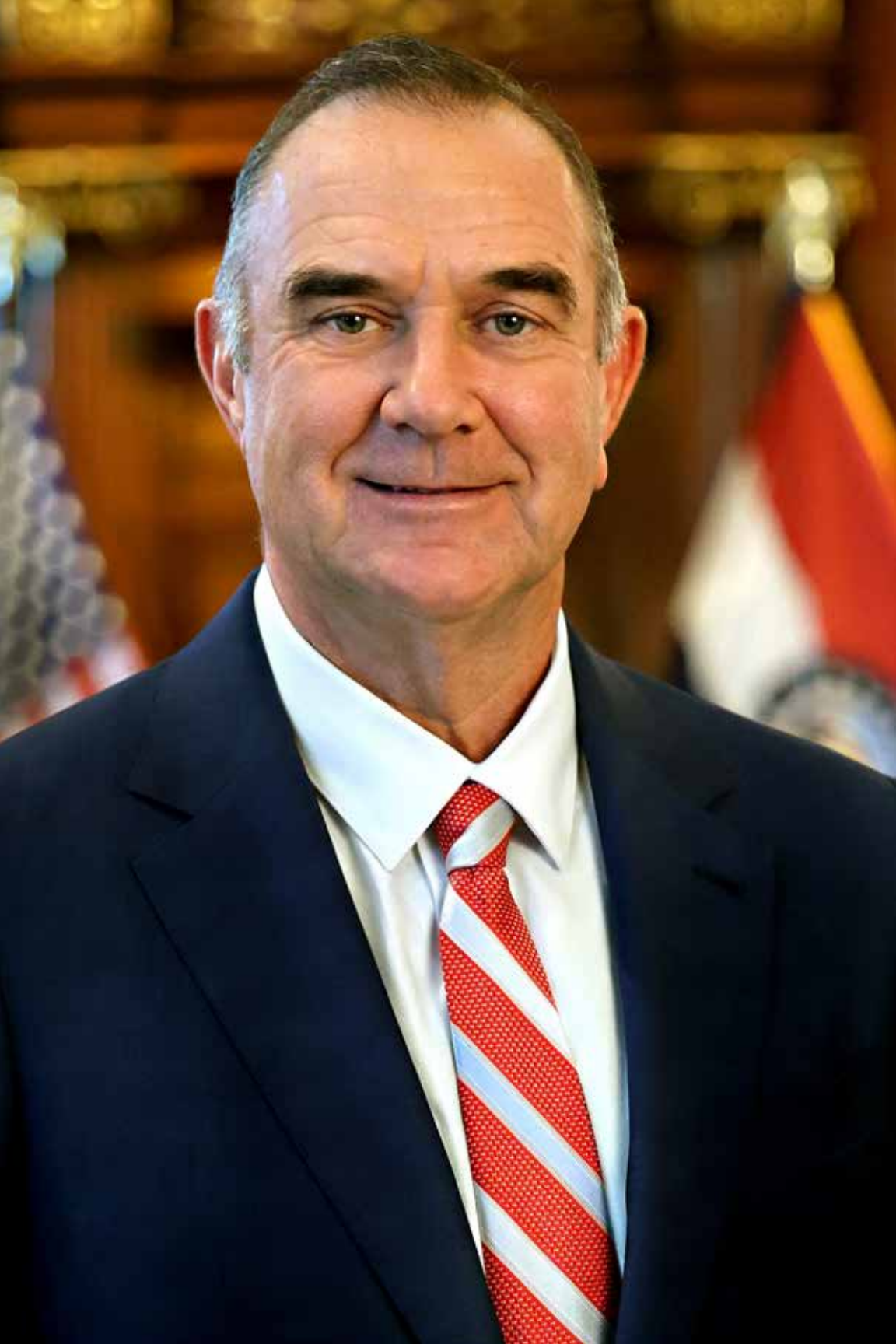




CHAPTER 2  
**EXECUTIVE BRANCH**





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# Mike Kehoe

## Governor

Elected November 5, 2024

Term expires January 2029

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MIKE KEHOE (Republican) was sworn in as Missouri's 58th governor on Jan. 13, 2025. Guided by a lifelong dedication to public service and a commitment to Missouri families, Gov. Kehoe has made public safety, education, economic development and agriculture the cornerstones of his administration.

Raised in the city of St. Louis as the youngest of six children by a single mother who worked tirelessly to support her family, Kehoe learned the value of hard work and resilience at an early age. He began his career washing cars at 15 and rose through the automotive industry to become one of the youngest Ford dealers in the nation. He later turned around Osage Industries, a struggling manufacturing company in Linn, Missouri, transforming it into one of the largest ambulance manufacturers in the country.

Kehoe's entrepreneurial success and leadership experience led him naturally to public service, where he could use his background to improve the lives of Missouri families and strengthen the state's economy.

During his four-and-a-half years on the Missouri Highway and Transportation Commission, Kehoe played a critical role in improving infrastructure and helping elevate Missouri's road system from among the worst in the nation to one of the best. In 2010, he was elected to the Missouri Senate, where he worked to balance budgets, fully fund schools and champion laws protecting Missouri's children and seniors. As Senate majority floor leader, he advocated for reducing regulatory burdens, cutting taxes and creating jobs.

As Missouri's 47th lieutenant governor, Kehoe highlighted the state's businesses, agriculture and tourism while serving as a voice for veterans and seniors.

A first-generation farmer and passionate advocate for Missouri agriculture, Kehoe owns and operates a 700-acre cattle farm in Phelps and Pulaski counties with his wife, Claudia. The Kehoes are the proud parents of four adult children and are thrilled to embrace their new role as grandparents.

Gov. Kehoe's priorities reflect his unwavering commitment to the people of Missouri: ensuring safe communities, advancing educational opportunities, fostering economic growth and supporting the backbone of the state's economy—agriculture.



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## Qualifications

The chief executive officer of the state of Missouri must be at least 30 years old, a U.S. citizen for at least 15 years and a resident of Missouri for at least 10 years before being elected governor.

The governor is elected to a four-year term during the same year as a presidential election and may seek re-election to a second four-year term. No person may hold the office for more than two terms.

## Responsibilities

The governor appoints the members of all boards and commissions, all department heads in state government and fills all vacancies in public offices unless otherwise provided by law. The board members of Missouri's state universities and colleges are appointed by the governor. The governor also selects the members of the Supreme and Appellate Courts of Missouri from names submitted by the Appellate Judicial Commission. The governor appoints members to certain election boards, the Kansas City police board and the Board of Probation and Parole. Most appointments require the advice and consent of the Senate.

The governor addresses the General Assembly on the State of the State and recommends changes or other actions to be taken. A budget is submitted by the governor to the General Assembly within 30 days after the General Assembly convenes. The budget contains the governor's estimates of available state revenues and an itemized plan for proposed expenditures.

All bills passed by both houses of the legislature are submitted to the governor for consideration. The governor must return the legislation to the house of its inception within 15 days after receiving it. The governor may either approve a bill, making it law, or return it to the legislature with objections. When the legislature is adjourned, the governor has 45 days in which to consider a bill.

The governor may object to one or more items or portions of items of an appropriations bill while approving other items or portions of the appro-



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priations bill. Upon signing the appropriations bill, appended to it is a statement of the items or portions of items to which there are objections, and such items or portions will not take effect. The governor may control the rate of expenditure in other areas whenever the actual revenues are less than the revenue estimates upon which the appropriations were based.

## Additional Duties and Powers

The governor performs many other duties assigned by the constitution, statute or custom. For example, the governor issues writs of election to fill vacancies in either house of the General Assembly. The governor also has the power to grant reprieves, commutations and pardons, but this does not include the power to parole.

In addition to other duties, the governor is a member of a number of boards and commissions, such as the Board of Public Buildings and the State Board of Fund Commissioners.

Moreover, the governor is the conservator of peace throughout Missouri and is commander-in-chief of the state's militia. The militia may be called out to execute laws, suppress threats of danger to the state and prevent and repel invasion.



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## Missouri's First Lady

Mike and Claudia Kehoe married in 1989, and together, were blessed with four children. As a young mother, the Mrs. Claudia Kehoe quickly recognized the importance of community involvement. She began her volunteer service at St. Joseph Cathedral and Helias Catholic High School. Her work there sparked a deep passion for charitable service, leading her to dedicate nearly 30 years to various nonprofit efforts in central Missouri. She has served on the boards of the Mid-Missouri SSM Health Hospital Foundation, the Jefferson City Area YMCA, the United Way of Central Missouri, the Girl Scouts of the Missouri Heartland, and the Food Bank for Central and Northeast Missouri. Notably, Mrs. Kehoe played a key role in expanding and enhancing the Buddy Packs Program at the Food Bank, collaborating with local volunteers to support children in need.

Mrs. Kehoe was elected to the Board of Directors of JAG-Missouri, an organization focused on helping students graduate from high school and prepare for college, military service, or a career.

Mrs. Kehoe earned a bachelor's degree in finance from Creighton University and a Master of Business Administration from Saint Louis University. She began her professional career in the



CLAUDIA KEHOE  
First Lady

banking sector, gaining valuable experience with several financial institutions in the St. Louis area.

The Kehoes have called mid-Missouri home for over 30 years and remain active in several local and statewide organizations. In addition to their community work, the Governor and Mrs. Kehoe manage a beef cattle operation on their family farm and enjoy spending time with their family and the many friends they have met on their travels throughout the state.



## Missouri Governor's Mansion

The Missouri Governor's Mansion has been the official residence of Missouri's Governors since 1872 and is one of the oldest governors' homes in the United States. Located on 10 acres overlooking the Missouri River and the Missouri State Capitol, the Mansion is listed in the National Register of Historic Places.

The Missouri Governor's Mansion was completed in late December 1871. The Mansion was built in only eight months, with much of the work performed by prisoners of the nearby penitentiary. The cost, including some of the furnishings, was \$74,960. Governor B. Gratz Brown and his family moved into the Mansion on January 20, 1872.

The Mansion was designed by noted St. Louis architect George Inham Barnett and is an example of Second Empire architecture, a style characterized by the patterned mansard roof popular in the 1860s.

The original three-story structure was built containing 13 bedrooms and no bathrooms or closets. The home includes a freestanding winding stairway with a hand-carved black walnut banister, marble fireplaces, elaborate 17-foot ceilings and handsome Renaissance Revival furnishings. The entry consists of an imposing portico with four pink granite columns, a donation from Governor Brown.

Through the years, the Mansion has been restored and improved, but the impressive characteristics of the original Mansion remain.



SHARI CHILDS  
Governor's Mansion Director

## Historical Listing, Governors

	Name and (Party)	Term	County	Born	Died
1.	Alexander McNair (D) <sup>1</sup>	1820–24	St. Louis	05/05/1775	03/18/1826
2.	Frederick Bates (D) <sup>1</sup>	1824–25	St. Louis	06/23/1777	08/04/1825
3.	Abraham J. Williams (D) <sup>1</sup>	1825–26	Boone	02/26/1781	12/30/1839
4.	John Miller (D) <sup>1</sup>	1826–32	Howard	11/25/1781	03/18/1846
5.	Daniel Dunklin (D)	1832–36	Washington	01/14/1790	07/25/1844
6.	Lilburn W. Boggs (D)	1836–40	Jackson	12/14/1792	03/14/1860
7.	Thomas Reynolds (D)	1840–44	Howard	03/12/1796	02/09/1844
8.	Meredith Miles Marmaduke (D) <sup>2</sup>	1844	Saline	08/28/1791	03/26/1864
9.	John Cummins Edwards (D)	1844–48	Cole	06/24/1806	09/13/1888
10.	Austin Augustus King (D)	1848–53	Ray	09/21/1802	04/22/1870
11.	Sterling Price (D)	1853–57	Chariton	09/14/1809	09/29/1867
12.	Trusten Polk (D) <sup>3</sup>	1857	St. Louis	05/29/1811	04/16/1876
13.	Hancock Lee Jackson (D) <sup>4</sup>	1857	Randolph	05/12/1796	03/19/1876
14.	Robert Marcellus Stewart (D)	1857–61	Buchanan	03/12/1815	09/21/1871
15.	Claiborne Fox Jackson (D)	1861	Saline	04/04/1806	12/06/1862
16.	Hamilton Rowan Gamble (U) <sup>5, 6</sup>	1861–64	St. Louis	11/29/1798	01/31/1864
17.	Willard Preble Hall (U) <sup>6</sup>	1864–65	Buchanan	05/09/1820	11/03/1882
18.	Thomas Clement Fletcher (R) <sup>7</sup>	1865–69	St. Louis	01/22/1827	03/25/1899
19.	Joseph Washington McClurg (R) <sup>7</sup>	1869–71	Camden	02/22/1818	12/02/1900
20.	Benjamin Gratz Brown (R) <sup>8</sup>	1871–73	St. Louis	05/28/1826	12/13/1885
21.	Silas Woodson (D)	1873–75	Buchanan	05/18/1819	10/09/1896
22.	Charles Henry Hardin (D)	1875–77	Audrain	07/15/1820	07/29/1892
23.	John Smith Phelps (D)	1877–81	Greene	12/22/1814	11/20/1886
24.	Thomas Theodore Crittenden (D)	1881–85	Johnson	01/01/1832	05/29/1909
25.	John Sappington Marmaduke (D)	1885–87	St. Louis City	03/14/1833	12/28/1887
26.	Albert Pickett Morehouse (D)	1887–89	Nodaway	07/11/1835	09/23/1891
27.	David Rowland Francis (D)	1889–93	St. Louis City	10/01/1850	01/15/1927
28.	William Joel Stone (D)	1893–97	Vernon	05/07/1848	04/14/1918
29.	Lon Vest Stephens (D) <sup>9</sup>	1897–1901	Cooper	12/21/1858	01/10/1923
30.	Alexander Monroe Dockery (D)	1901–05	Daviess	02/11/1845	12/26/1926
31.	Joseph Wingate Folk (D)	1905–09	St. Louis City	10/28/1869	05/28/1923
32.	Herbert Spencer Hadley (R)	1909–13	Jackson	02/20/1872	12/01/1927
33.	Elliott Woolfolk Major (D)	1913–17	Pike	10/20/1864	07/09/1949
34.	Frederick Dozier Gardner (D)	1917–21	St. Louis City	11/06/1869	12/18/1933
35.	Arthur Mastick Hyde (R)	1921–25	Grundy	07/12/1877	10/17/1947
36.	Sam Aaron Baker (R)	1925–29	Cole	11/07/1874	09/16/1933
37.	Henry Stewart Caulfield (R)	1929–33	St. Louis	12/09/1873	05/11/1966
38.	Guy Brasfield Park (D)	1933–37	Platte	06/10/1872	10/01/1946
39.	Lloyd Crow Stark (D)	1937–41	Pike	11/23/1886	09/17/1972
40.	Forrest C. Donnell (R)	1941–45	St. Louis	08/20/1884	03/03/1980
41.	Phil M. Donnelly (D)	1945–49	Laclede	03/06/1891	09/12/1961
42.	Forrest Smith (D)	1949–53	Ray	02/14/1886	03/08/1962
43.	Phil M. Donnelly (D)	1953–57	Laclede	03/06/1891	09/12/1961
44.	James T. Blair Jr. (D)	1957–61	Cole	03/15/1902	07/12/1962
45.	John M. Dalton (D)	1961–65	Dunklin	11/09/1900	07/07/1972
46.	Warren E. Hearnes (D)	1965–73	Mississippi	07/24/1923	08/16/2009
47.	Christopher S. (Kit) Bond (R)	1973–77	Audrain	03/06/1939	05/13/2025
48.	Joseph P. Teasdale (D)	1977–81	Jackson	03/29/1936	05/08/2014
49.	Christopher S. (Kit) Bond (R)	1981–85	Audrain	03/06/1939	05/13/2025
50.	John Ashcroft (R) <sup>10</sup>	1985–93	Greene	05/09/1942	
51.	Mel Carnahan (D) <sup>10</sup>	1993–2000	Phelps	02/11/1934	10/16/2000
52.	Roger Wilson (D) <sup>11</sup>	2000–01	Boone	10/10/1948	
53.	Bob Holden (D)	2001–05	Shannon	08/24/1949	
54.	Matt Blunt (R)	2005–09	Greene	11/20/1970	
55.	Jeremiah W. (Jay) Nixon (D) <sup>10</sup>	2009–17	Jefferson	02/13/1956	
56.	Eric Greitens (R)	2017–18	St. Louis	04/10/1974	
57.	Michael L. Parson (R) <sup>12</sup>	2018–25	Polk	09/17/1955	
58.	Mike Kehoe (R)	2025–	Cole	01/17/1962	

<sup>1</sup>At the time of the elections of McNair, Bates and Williams, and of the first election of Miller in 1825, there were no organized political parties in Missouri. Individual popularity prevailed. All called themselves Jeffersonian Republicans, or what now are called Democrats.

<sup>2</sup>Marmaduke was elected Lt. Governor in 1840. Upon the death of Governor Thomas Reynolds in February 1844, Marmaduke became governor. He served the remainder of that year, because John Cummins Edwards was elected.

<sup>3</sup>Soon after Polk was inaugurated, the Legislature convened and elected him by 101 votes to be a U.S. Senator. He resigned to take that office in February 1857. His occupancy of the governor's office was shorter than any other governor of Missouri.

<sup>4</sup>Jackson was Lt. Gov. under Polk and became acting governor after Polk resigned in February 1857. He served until October of that year when Robert Stewart took office. Stewart was elected at a special election in August 1857.

<sup>5</sup>Gamble was elected provisional governor by the Missouri State Convention on July 31, 1861. The office had been declared vacated after Gov. Claiborne Fox Jackson joined the Confederacy.

<sup>6</sup>Unionist. <sup>7</sup>Radical. <sup>8</sup>Liberal.

<sup>9</sup>Gov. Stephens is credited with creating the State Fair in Sedalia.

<sup>10</sup>Some held multiple terms as governor. In consideration of space, some are listed here only once.

<sup>11</sup>Wilson became Missouri's 52nd governor on October 17, 2000, upon the death of Gov. Mel Carnahan.

<sup>12</sup>Parson became Missouri's 57th governor on June 1, 2018, upon the resignation of Gov. Eric Greitens.



## Missouri State Capitol

State government in Missouri is centered in the state's beautiful domed Capitol, dominating the bluffs of the Missouri River in Jefferson City.

The dome, rising 238 feet above ground level and topped by a bronze statue of Ceres, Roman goddess of agriculture, is the first view of Jefferson City for travelers arriving from the north. The structure is Jefferson City's leading tourist attraction and is a mecca for school groups who arrive by busloads, particularly during General Assembly sessions when they fill the galleries to watch the Senate and House of Representatives in action.

In addition to housing the two legislative bodies, the Capitol provides office space for the governor, lieutenant governor, secretary of state, treasurer, state auditor and some administrative agencies. The structure is also notable for its architectural features, including its eight 48-foot columns on the south portico and six 48-foot columns on the north side; its 30-foot-wide grand stairway and its bronze front doors, each 13-by-18 feet, among the largest cast since the Roman era.

The Capitol's first floor features the State Museum. Outstanding paintings, pediments and friezes decorate the Capitol interior. Of historical significance is a series of Thomas Hart Benton murals in the House Lounge.

Statuary is a prominent feature of the Capitol grounds. Heroic bronze figures depicting Missouri's two great rivers, the Mississippi and Missouri, and a 13-foot statue of Thomas Jefferson dominate the south entrance. A bronze relief depicting the signing of the Louisiana Purchase by Livingston, Monroe and Marbois and the Fountain of the Centaurs are the most outstanding features on the north grounds.

The present Capitol, completed in 1917 and dedicated in 1924, is the fourth Capitol in Jefferson City. Before the seat of government was moved to Jefferson City, the functions of Missouri territorial government were based in the Mansion House, a hotel in St. Louis, and later at the Missouri Hotel, also in St. Louis. The upper story of a mercantile store in St. Charles was designated as temporary capital of the state in 1821 and remained the seat of government until 1826 when Jefferson City became the permanent capital city. The first Capitol in Jefferson City was located on land now occupied by the Governor's Mansion. It burned in 1837, apparently after some hot coals fell out of one of its fireplaces. A second structure, completed in 1840 and expanded in 1887–88 burned when the dome was struck by lightning on Feb. 5, 1911. A temporary Capitol made of lathe and stucco was erected in an area to the east of the present building and was used from 1912 to 1917.

The present Capitol was constructed for \$4,215,000, including site and furnishings. It is five stories high, 437 feet long, 300 feet wide in the center and 200 feet wide in the wings. The dome is 238 feet high and the height of the wings is 88 feet. It includes over 650,000 square feet of floor space.





# David Wasinger

## Lieutenant Governor

Elected November 5, 2024

Term expires January 2029

DAVID WASINGER (Republican) was elected Missouri's 49th lieutenant governor on Nov. 5, 2024.

A lifelong Missourian, Wasinger was born and raised in Hannibal, the boyhood home of Mark Twain. He graduated from Hannibal High School and earned an accounting degree from the University of Missouri-Columbia, later passing the CPA exam. He continued his education at Vanderbilt University School of Law, launching a notable legal career.

As the owner and manager of a small law firm in Brentwood, Missouri, Wasinger has specialized in business law, passionately advocating for the interests of Main Street. For several years, his peers recognized him as one of the Best Lawyers in America. Nationally acclaimed for his work following the 2008–09 financial crisis, he played a key role in historic cases that resulted in billions of dollars recovered for American taxpayers.

Although new to public office, Wasinger brings a wealth of private-sector experience to the state Capitol. As lieutenant governor, he serves as president of the Missouri Senate and champions causes important to seniors, veterans and the arts. He is also a member of the Missouri Housing Development Commission, the Missouri Development Finance Board and the Missouri Tourism Commission, among other boards and commissions.

Deeply committed to community service, Wasinger is a board member of the Boy Scouts of Greater St. Louis and serves as a lecturer in his local church. He previously served on the Board of Curators for the University of Missouri.

Wasinger and his wife, Colleen, have been married for more than 25 years and are the proud parents of two children.



# Office of the Lieutenant Governor

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## Qualifications

Missouri's lieutenant governor must be at least 30 years old, a U.S. citizen for at least 15 years, and a resident of Missouri for at least 10 years before being elected to the office. The lieutenant governor is elected for a four-year term and is subject to re-election.

The lieutenant governor is the only statewide elected official that is part of both the executive and legislative branches of state government. Under the constitution, the lieutenant governor is *ex officio* president of the Missouri Senate. The lieutenant governor is elected independently from the governor, and each can be members of different political parties. Upon the governor's death, conviction, impeachment, resignation, absence from the state, or other disabilities, the lieutenant governor shall act as governor. By law, the lieutenant governor is a member of the Board of Public Buildings, the Board of Fund Commissioners, the Missouri Development Finance Board, the Missouri Housing Development Commission, the Missouri Tourism Commission, the Missouri State Capitol Commission, and the Missouri Community Service Commission.

The lieutenant governor serves as the formal advocate of Missouri's senior citizens, working with the Department of Health and Senior Services to ensure the safety and well-being of Missouri's senior citizens. The lieutenant governor's office sponsors the annual Lieutenant Governor's Senior Service Awards to promote and highlight the positive accomplishments Missouri senior citizens provide to their communities. In addition to seniors, the lieutenant governor serves as the informal governmental advocate for Missouri veterans.

The lieutenant governor also oversees the Missouri Arts Council and the state's Buy Missou-



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ri program, an economic development initiative that actively promotes Missouri manufacturers and businesses.

The office of the lieutenant governor is a clearinghouse for citizen questions regarding state government.

## Historical Listing, Lieutenant Governors

	Name and (Party)	Term	County	Born	Died
1.	William Henry Ashley (D)	1820–24	St. Louis	c1778	03/26/1838
2.	Benjamin Harrison Reeves (D)	1824–25	Howard	03/1787	04/16/1849
3.	Daniel Dunklin (D)	1828–32	Washington	01/14/1790	07/25/1844
4.	Lilburn W. Boggs (D)	1832–36	Jackson	12/14/1792	03/14/1860
5.	Franklin Cannon (D)	1836–40	Cape Girardeau	03/12/1794	06/13/1863
6.	Meredith Miles Marmaduke (D)	1840–44	Saline	08/28/1791	03/26/1864
7.	James Young (D)	1844–48	Lafayette	05/11/1800	02/09/1878
8.	Thomas Lawson Price (U) <sup>1</sup>	1848–52	Cole	01/19/1809	07/15/1870
9.	Wilson Brown (D) <sup>2</sup>	1853–55	Cape Girardeau	08/27/1804	08/27/1855
10.	Hancock Lee Jackson (D)	1857–61	Randolph	05/12/1796	03/19/1876
11.	Thomas Cauter Reynolds (D)	1860–61	St. Louis	10/11/1821	03/30/1887
12.	Willard Preble Hall (U) <sup>1, 3</sup>	1861–64	Buchanan	05/09/1820	11/03/1882
13.	George Smith (R)	1865–69	Caldwell	02/02/1809	07/14/1881
14.	Edwin Obed Stanard (R) <sup>4</sup>	1869–71	St. Louis	01/05/1832	03/12/1914
15.	Joseph Jackson Gravely (R) <sup>5</sup>	1871–72	Cedar	09/25/1828	04/28/1872
16.	Charles Phillip Johnson (R) <sup>5</sup>	1873–75	St. Louis	01/08/1836	05/21/1920
17.	Norman J. Colman (D)	1875–77	St. Louis	03/16/1827	11/03/1911
18.	Henry Clay Brockmeyer (D)	1877–81	St. Louis City	08/12/1828	07/26/1906
19.	Robert Alexander Campbell (D)	1881–85	St. Louis City	09/02/1832	04/02/1926
20.	Albert Pickett Morehouse (D)	1885–89	Nodaway	07/11/1835	09/23/1891
21.	Stephen Hugh Claycomb (D)	1889–93	Jasper	08/11/1847	06/06/1930
22.	John Baptiste O'Meara (D)	1893–97	St. Louis City	06/24/1852	07/22/1926
23.	August Henry Bolte (D)	1897–1901	Franklin	09/03/1854	06/24/1920
24.	John Adams Lee (D)	1901–03	St. Louis City	06/28/1851	10/10/1928
25.	Thomas Lewis Rubey (D) <sup>6</sup>	1903–04	Laclede	09/27/1862	11/2/1928
26.	John C. McKinley (R)	1905–09	Putnam	11/20/1859	05/01/1927
27.	Jacob Friedrich Gmelich (R)	1909–13	Cooper	07/23/1839	02/21/1914
28.	William Rock Painter (D)	1913–17	Carroll	08/27/1863	07/01/1947
29.	Wallace Crossley (D)	1917–21	Johnson	10/04/1874	12/13/1943
30.	Hiram Lloyd (R)	1921–25	St. Louis	07/27/1875	09/10/1942
31.	Phillip Allen Bennett (R)	1925–29	Dallas	03/05/1881	12/07/1942
32.	Edward Henry Winter (R)	1929–33	Cole	04/05/1879	06/29/1941
33.	Frank Gaines Harris (D) <sup>7</sup>	1933–45	Boone	04/25/1871	12/30/1944
34.	Walter Naylor Davis (D)	1945–49	St. Louis	11/29/1876	09/16/1951
35.	James T. Blair Jr. (D) <sup>7</sup>	1949–57	Cole	03/15/1902	07/12/1962
36.	Edward V. Long (D)	1957–61	Pike	07/18/1908	11/6/1972
37.	Hilary A. Bush (D)	1961–65	Jackson	06/21/1905	05/11/1966
38.	Thomas F. Eagleton (D)	1965–69	St. Louis	09/04/1929	03/04/2007
39.	William S. Morris (D)	1969–73	Jackson	11/08/1919	03/05/1975
40.	William C. Phelps (R) <sup>7</sup>	1973–81	Jackson	04/05/1934	03/19/2019
41.	Kenneth J. Rothman (D)	1981–85	St. Louis	10/11/1935	04/26/2019
42.	Harriett Woods (D)	1985–89	St. Louis	06/02/1927	02/08/2007
43.	Mel Carnahan (D)	1989–93	Phelps	02/11/1934	10/16/2000
44.	Roger B. Wilson (D) <sup>7</sup>	1993–2000	Boone	10/10/1948	
45.	Joe Maxwell (D) <sup>8</sup>	2000–05	Audrain	03/17/1957	
46.	Peter D. Kinder (R) <sup>7</sup>	2005–17	Cape Girardeau	05/12/1954	
47.	Michael L. Parson (R)	2017–18	Polk	09/17/1955	
48.	Mike Kehoe (R) <sup>9</sup>	2018–25	Cole	01/17/1962	
49.	David Wasinger (R)	2025–	St. Louis County	08/09/1963	

<sup>1</sup>Unionist.

<sup>2</sup>Wilson Brown died in office in August 1855. The office remained vacant until the 1856 election.

<sup>3</sup>Hall was elected provisional lieutenant governor by the Missouri State Convention on July 31, 1861. The office had been declared vacant after Gov. Claiborne Fox Jackson joined the Confederacy.

<sup>4</sup>The Constitution of 1865 shortened lieutenant governor terms to two years. In 1876, terms went back to four years.

<sup>5</sup>Liberal.

<sup>6</sup>Was *president pro tem* of Senate and served as lieutenant governor following Lee's resignation.

<sup>7</sup>Some held multiple terms as lieutenant governor. In consideration of space, they are listed here only once.

<sup>8</sup>Maxwell became Missouri's 45th lieutenant governor finishing the remaining months of Roger Wilson's term, who became governor on Oct. 17, 2000, upon the death of Mel Carnahan.

<sup>9</sup>Kehoe was appointed Missouri's 48th lieutenant governor, replacing Michael L. Parson, who was appointed governor on June 1, 2018, upon the resignation of Eric Greitens.





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# Denny Hoskins, CPA

## Secretary of State

Elected November 5, 2024

Term expires January 2029

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DENNY HOSKINS (Republican), a fifth-generation Missourian, was elected Missouri's 41st secretary of state in November 2024 and took office on Jan. 13, 2025.

Born in Jefferson City, Hoskins graduated from Fatima High School in Westphalia. He earned a Bachelor of Science in business administration with an emphasis in accounting from the University of Central Missouri and later obtained a Master of Public Affairs from the University of Missouri. He is a Certified Public Accountant and served in the Missouri Army National Guard.

Before becoming secretary of state, Hoskins represented Missouri's 21st District in the State Senate from 2017 to 2025 and served in the Missouri House of Representatives from 2009 to 2017. During his legislative tenure, he was known for advancing election integrity, protecting taxpayer dollars and promoting conservative values. As a lawmaker, he sponsored key legislation to increase government transparency, expand broadband access, and strengthen Missouri's military and veteran communities.

As secretary of state, Hoskins has prioritized securing Missouri's elections, defending business owners from bureaucratic overreach, and expanding access to the state's archives and libraries. Under his leadership, the office has enhanced cybersecurity protections for election authorities, implemented new tools to combat securities fraud, and expanded civic education initiatives across the state.

Residing in Warrensburg, Hoskins and his wife, Michelle, are active members of Northside Christian Church and are the proud parents of five children.



# Office of the Secretary of State

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The secretary of state's office serves Missourians in a number of diverse and important ways. The major divisions within the secretary of state's office are: Business Services, Elections, Securities, State Library, Records Services, Administrative Rules, and Publications.

At Secretary of State Jay Ashcroft's direction, the office is focused on holding government more accountable, embracing common sense solutions, modernizing technology and being good stewards of taxpayers' dollars.

As Missouri's chief elections official, Ashcroft and his office work hard to ensure fair and accessible elections. As part of that effort, the office makes election integrity and cybersecurity top priorities, working with all of Missouri's 116 local election authorities to implement policies and procedures that provide election security throughout the state.

The Securities Division actively investigates claims of fraud and abuse, with particular attention paid to vulnerable citizens, including the elderly. The creation of the new Vulnerable Citizens Services Unit focuses on preventing and reducing investor harm, and enhancing awareness about resources and remedies available to vulnerable citizens of all ages.

Secretary Ashcroft has also worked closely with members of the state legislature to secure resources vital for library access. The State Library helps enhance the gateway to learning for all Missourians by distributing grants to libraries across the state.

In addition, the office is responsible for compiling, storing and publishing a variety of documents, including many historic records available on [MissouriDigitalHeritage.com](http://MissouriDigitalHeritage.com). As the keeper of the Great Seal of the State of Missouri, Ashcroft is also responsible for authenticating official acts of the governor. The office also includes the following divisions: Information Technology, Communications and Publications, Fiscal, Human Resources and Facilities.



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Chief of Staff



AFTON BOND  
Executive Secretary



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Director of Communications



CLIFTON DAVIS  
General Counsel



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Deputy General Counsel

## Business Services Division

James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center  
600 W. Main, PO Box 778, Jefferson City, 65102-0778  
Telephone: (866) 223-6535 / FAX: (573) 751-5841  
[sos.mo.gov/business](http://sos.mo.gov/business)

The Business Services Division has four units: Notaries and Commissions, Corporations, Uniform Commercial Code and Safe at Home. The division oversees filing offices in Jefferson City, St. Louis, Kansas City and Springfield. The Business Services Division aims to encourage and assist Missouri businesses.



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Chief Information Officer



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Director of Fiscal & Facilities



AMANDA BELL  
Director of Legislative &  
Governmental Affairs



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Operations Director &  
Chief Clerk



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Human Resources Director



JULIE STEGEMAN  
Publications Director



DANIEL WILHELM  
Director of Business Services



JARED HALE  
Deputy Director of Business  
Services

## Notaries and Commissions

The Notaries and Commissions Unit commissions notaries public, maintains the official bonds of over 77,000 Missouri notaries and is responsible for certifying notaries for foreign documents, elected officials and the State Registrar of Vital Statistics.

The unit also authenticates official acts of the governor. The Great Seal of the State of Missouri is affixed to more than 25,000 documents annually, including all commissions of state and county elected officials; appointments made by the governor; and proclamations, executive orders, extraditions, commutations of sentence and restoration of citizenship issued by the governor. The unit maintains bonds and oaths of office for state officials as required by law and is responsible for the official signature, facsimile signature filings and resident agent filings.

## Corporations

The secretary of state is responsible for the registration of all Missouri and out-of-state corporations operating in Missouri. Entities file various documents required by law, including creation documents, annual reports, amendments

and more. There are approximately 1,188,609 entities registered in Missouri. Document filing is accessible 24/7 online at [sos.mo.gov/fileonline](https://sos.mo.gov/fileonline). Service of process as well as trademark and service mark filings are also processed by this unit.

## Uniform Commercial Code

The secretary of state's office is the centralized filing office for perfecting personal property liens and other creditor interests under the Uniform Commercial Code (UCC). These liens are perfected by filing a financing statement in the accepted standardized format. These financing statements are effective for five years; they may be continued for an additional five-year term by filing a continuation statement within six months preceding expiration. UCC online filings, forms and the fee schedule for filing are available at [sos.mo.gov/ucc](https://sos.mo.gov/ucc).

## Safe at Home Address Confidentiality Program

Since 2007, the Safe at Home address confidentiality program has helped survivors of domestic violence, sexual assault, rape, human trafficking, stalking and other crimes in their efforts to

stay safe from future harm. Through Safe at Home, survivors and their minor children may use a substitute mailing address designated by the secretary of state's office for their first class, legal and certified mail. The program also allows survivors to use the substitute address on government records and public filings to help keep their address confidential and out of the hands of potential abusers.

## Branch Office Contact Info

### Fletcher Daniels State Office Building

615 E. 13th St., Rm. 513, Kansas City 64106  
Telephone: (816) 889-2925 / FAX: (816) 889-2879

### U.S. Customs & Post Office Building

815 Olive St., Ste. 150, St. Louis 63101  
Telephone: (314) 340-7490 / FAX: (314) 340-7500

### Springfield State Office Building

149 Park Central Sq., Rm. 624, Springfield 65806  
Telephone: (417) 895-6330 / FAX: (417) 895-6537

### Safe at Home Address Confidentiality Program

PO Box 1409, Jefferson City, 65102-1409  
Telephone: (866) 509-1409 / FAX: (573) 522-1525  
[mosafeathome.com](http://mosafeathome.com)

## Securities Division

600 W. Main, PO Box 1276, Jefferson City 65102  
Telephone: (573) 751-4136 / FAX: (573) 526-3124  
[sos.mo.gov/securities](http://sos.mo.gov/securities)  
[missouriprotectsinvestors.com](http://missouriprotectsinvestors.com)

For more than 90 years, the secretary of state has been responsible for ensuring compliance with state securities laws through the Securities Division. The secretary appoints the commissioner of securities, who administers these laws and oversees the division, which focuses on investor protection and safeguarding Missouri investors from fraud through enforcement, with an emphasis on restitution for investors.

The division is organized into three sections: Investor Education, Registration and Enforcement. The division seeks to serve all Missourians, from investors to investment professionals.

The Investor Education Section creates and promotes initiatives designed to educate and assist investors. This includes a website, accessible at [www.missouriprotectsinvestors.com](http://www.missouriprotectsinvestors.com), an Investor Protection Hotline for investors to report complaints or make inquiries and the Vulnerable Citizens Services Unit (VCSU) hotline. The VCSU is designed to protect Missouri's most vulnerable citizens from financial exploitation, including seniors, disabled investors and others who may be at greater risk of financial exploitation. The VCSU conducts investigations and promotes awareness among financial professionals, medical profes-



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Commissioner of Securities



DOUGLAS JACOBY  
Director of Enforcement



JACQUELINE BRYANT  
Chief Counsel - Securities



CHRIS MARLOW  
Registration & Investor  
Protection Director

sionals and caregivers through public outreach and investor education.

The Registration Section reviews proposed securities offerings to ensure Missouri registrations are "fair, just and equitable." The office receives filings of federally covered securities, reviews requests for exemptions from registration requirements and assists issuers seeking to raise capital in compliance with the law. This section also regulates the registration of individuals and firms, performs routine and for-cause inspections and pre-registration exams of the offices of broker-dealers and investment advisers. Prior to granting each registration, an application review process is conducted to determine if applicants are sufficiently qualified to conduct securities business.

The Enforcement Section investigates and resolves complaints from Missouri investors. Each year the office receives numerous investor complaints which may result in the initiation of investigations, many of which result in cease and desist orders, consent orders, investor restitution, civil penalties or criminal prosecutions. The attorneys and investigators in this section pursue millions of dollars in penalties, payments and restitution each year, and are leaders in national enforcement actions and task forces.

**Investor Protection Hotline: (800) 721-7996**

## Elections Division

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 Telephone: (573) 751-2301 / FAX: (573) 526-3242  
[sos.mo.gov/elections](http://sos.mo.gov/elections)

The Elections Division oversees all state elections for candidates, various judges and statewide ballot issues. Candidates for the six constitutional state offices, U.S. Congress, the General Assembly and certain judges file for election with the secretary of state. Statewide ballots for primary, general and certain special elections are also prepared by the secretary of state, and certified copies of those ballots are sent to local election officials. It is the responsibility of the office to canvass, certify and publish state election results.

The secretary of state provides assistance to local election authorities (county clerks or election boards) in several ways. This includes maintaining annual election deadline calendars, the secretary of state's website and various training materials and workshops. The secretary of state also promulgates rules governing elections and publishes the Missouri Election Laws for use by the local election authorities. The secretary of state works together with state and local officials, schools and civic organizations to provide materials to support voter registration, civic responsibility and education. This collaboration also extends to oversight of the statewide poll worker recruitment initiative.

The office also assists military and overseas voters by facilitating their voter registration and absentee ballot request process. The Missouri Military and Overseas Portal, created and maintained by the secretary of state's office, is available online for these eligible voters.

The secretary of state also certifies statewide ballot measures proposed by the General Assembly or through the initiative and referendum petition process, including the oversight of signature verification. Before an initiative petition can be circulated, the petition and its summary statement must be approved by the secretary of state and the state attorney general. The secretary of state must certify the summary statement along with the state auditor's fiscal note statement. The secretary of state is responsible for verifying the number of signatures collected for each initiative. A ballot issue's full text is published in newspapers around the state, printed for display at polling places and is also available on the secretary of state's website. The secretary of state also oversees the signature verification process for the formation of new political parties and the nomination of independent candidates for offices that file with the secretary of state.

The division is responsible for coordinating Missouri's compliance with federal election law,



CHRISSEY PETERS  
 Director of Elections



NICK LA STRADA  
 Director of Election Integrity

including the Help America Vote Act of 2002, which requires increased training for election officials, poll workers and voters, at least one accessible voting system per polling place for voters with disabilities and the creation of a statewide voter registration list.

The secretary of state's office upholds the fairness and security of all elections. The Elections Integrity Unit investigates concerns from voters and local election authorities. The secretary of state is responsible for the overall integrity of the election process and ensuring every registered Missourian's vote counts.

## Missouri State Library

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[sos.mo.gov/library](http://sos.mo.gov/library)

The Missouri State Library provides library and reference services to Missouri state government, provides library services to the blind and visually impaired and promotes the development and improvement of library services throughout the state.

## Library Development

The Library Development section supports libraries through consultation, administration of grant programs, education and statewide programs. The consultant staff works with libraries to improve the quality of service for all Missouri citizens.

The State Library administers several programs to provide funds and services for libraries. State-funded programs include state aid for public libraries to meet a wide variety of local needs. State funds also support summer reading programs in public libraries. The State Library coordinates the funding for the Remote Electronic Access to Libraries (REAL) Program, which provides Internet access for public libraries. The federal Library Services and Technology Act provides

approximately \$3 million in funding for grants to libraries and for statewide projects.

The State Library also serves as the lead agency for the State Census Data Center program, a cooperative venture with the U.S. Census Bureau.

## Secretary's Council on Library Development

The Secretary's Council on Library Development advises the secretary of state and the state librarian on matters that relate to the State Library and library service to Missourians. A list of council members is provided at [sos.mo.gov/library/council/sosc](http://sos.mo.gov/library/council/sosc).

## Reference Services

The Reference Services division supports the research needs of Missouri state government employees with its collection of books, journals, newspapers and government documents in print and digital formats. It is also a member of MOBI-US, the statewide library consortium of academic and public libraries in Missouri, which provides access to many additional resources.

Documents from federal and Missouri state agencies are also available through the library. Many Missouri state government documents are available in print onsite and in a digital library in the Internet Archive at [archive.org/details/missouristatepublications](http://archive.org/details/missouristatepublications).

Reference Services hosts the Missouri Department of Transportation (MoDOT) library collection as part of a joint agreement between MoDOT and the State Library. Other special collections in the library include Missouri history, library science and historical documents about Missouri libraries.

## Wolfner Library

[sos.mo.gov/wolfner](http://sos.mo.gov/wolfner)

Wolfner Talking Book and Braille Library serves as the public library for Missourians unable to use standard print because of a visual or physical disability. A division of the State Library, the library loans a half million audio books and magazines in braille, recorded audio and large print from its collection of more than 300,000 volumes. The library also provides access to locally recorded Missouri titles and to over 90,000 titles via the Braille and Audio Reading Download (BARD) site. Audio players are also loaned to users of the recorded material. More than 9,000 individuals and 2,000 institutions, including nursing homes, schools, hospitals and hospices, use the library. Wolfner also provides reference and information services, children's program-



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State Librarian



LAURA KROMER  
Reference Services Director



VERHONDA WINTERS  
Circulation Director



LORI BROWN  
Public Services Director  
Wolfner Library

ming, interlibrary loans, a newsletter, catalogs and biographies and descriptive DVDs and videos. Access to the collection is available online.

Wolfner services are available to qualified Missourians at no charge. Applications for service are available directly from Wolfner, local Missouri public libraries or on the secretary of state's website.

## Wolfner Advisory Council

The Wolfner Advisory Council advises on the services provided by the Wolfner Library and how these services may be improved. A list of council members is provided at [sos.mo.gov/WolfnerAdvisoryCouncil](http://sos.mo.gov/WolfnerAdvisoryCouncil).

### Library Development Contact Info

Telephone: (800) 325-0131 / (573) 751-0586

### Reference Services Contact Info

Telephone: (573) 751-3615 / FAX: (573) 751-3612

### Wolfner Library Contact Info

Telephone: (573) 751-8720 / FAX: (573) 751-3612  
Toll free: (800) 392-2614

## Records Services Division

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[sos.mo.gov/records](http://sos.mo.gov/records)

Established as a separate department in 1965, Records Services includes three divisions, the Missouri State Archives, Records Management and Local Records. These divisions are collectively responsible for managing the current and historical records of the state, while preserving and making them accessible to Missouri citizens.

## Missouri State Archives

Telephone: (573) 751-3280  
[sos.mo.gov/archives](http://sos.mo.gov/archives)

The Missouri State Archives is the official repository for government records of enduring value. Its mission is to foster an appreciation of Missouri history by preserving and making available the state's permanent records to its citizens and their government.

Records in the Archives date back to 1770. They include executive, legislative and judicial records; records of state departments and agencies; early French and Spanish colonial and U.S. territorial records; records documenting women's and African American history, military records from the War of 1812 through World War II; records detailing Missouri's role in America's westward expansion; trademarks and business records.

The Missouri State Archives is one of the most accessed state repositories in the nation and continues to be recognized by historical and genealogical organizations for its service to the researcher community. While thousands visit or write each year, the majority now use the Archives' website as their preferred research method.

In recent years, the Missouri State Archives has become involved in a number of important initiatives including the centennial commemoration of the 19th Amendment and the state bicentennial. The Archives also continues to work with the State Library to develop the Missouri Digital Heritage website, an online portal where the public can access digital collections from institutions across the state.

The Archives is devoted to educating the public about its collection. Tours and programs are provided for school and civic groups across the state while *Archives Alive!*, a history based theatrical performance, brings history to life in Jefferson City each spring for thousands of Missouri third- and fourth-grade students. The Friends of the Missouri State Archives support the Archives by underwriting many of the costs associated with these and other outreach activities. The Archives also hosts practicum students and interns from numerous colleges and universities and



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 State Archivist/Director of  
 Records Services



CHRISTINA MILLER  
 Reference Services Director

sponsors the Central Missouri Region National History Day competition.

Volunteers are an important MSA resource. They provide invaluable support to staff, helping with records processing projects across the state, as well as assisting with reference services and tours in Jefferson City. The Archives' innovative e-Volunteer program provides indexing and transcription services from their home computers. Completed projects are placed online, providing greater access to collections.

## Missouri Historical Records Advisory Board

[sos.mo.gov/archives/mhrab/mhrab.asp](http://sos.mo.gov/archives/mhrab/mhrab.asp)

The Missouri Historical Records Advisory Board (MHRAB) was created by statute in 1989 to be the state's central advisory body for historical records planning. The board also serves as the state affiliate of the National Historical Publications and Records Commission, the grant-awarding arm of the National Archives and Records Administration, and is responsible for reviewing proposals submitted to their grant programs, as well as to the Local Records Preservation Grant Program.

## Missouri Historical Records Advisory Board

- Hoskins, Denny, CPA**, secretary of state, state historical records coordinator;
- Dougan, John**, state archivist, deputy coordinator;
- Bennett, Marci**, St. Joseph Convention & Visitors Bureau, St. Joseph;
- Gordon, Chris**, Missouri Historical Society, St. Louis;
- Rhodes, Dr. Joel**, Southeast Missouri State University, Cape Girardeau;
- Sparks, Susan**, Polk County Genealogical Society, Humansville.
- Kremer, Dr. Gary R.**, *ex officio*, State Historical Society of Missouri.

## Missouri Board on Geographic Names

[sos.mo.gov/archives/about/geographic.asp](http://sos.mo.gov/archives/about/geographic.asp)

The Missouri Board on Geographic Names was created through a 1995 executive order issued by Gov. Mel Carnahan to coordinate place-naming activity among local, state and federal authorities. Additionally, the board provides uniformity in geographic nomenclature throughout the state, while retaining the significance, history and culture associated with the names of Missouri's geographic features. Proposed changes or additions to names of geographic features and places are received and evaluated, and recommendations are made to the U.S. Board on Geographic Names for approval. Members include both interested citizens and professionals.

## Missouri Board on Geographic Names Executive Committee

**Hoskins, Denny, CPA**, chair, secretary of state;

**Dougan, John**, chair designee, Missouri State Archives;

**Barnett, Christopher J.**, vice chair, University of Missouri–Columbia;

**Sweets, Henry**, executive committee, Mark Twain Home Foundation.

**Chinn, P. Bryan**, Office of Administration;

**Chloupek, Brett**, Northwest Missouri State University;

**Fisher, John**, historian;

**Foreman, Alan**, St. Louis District, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers;

**Bridges, Carey**, Department of Natural Resources;

**Greene, Dr. Debra F.**, Lincoln University;

**Hans, Melanie**, Mark Twain National Forest;

**Faenger, Scott**, Department of Agriculture;

**Kremer, Dr. Gary R.**, State Historical Society of Missouri;

**Morrow, Lynn**, historian;

**Nail, David**, U.S. Geological Survey;

**Struckhoff, Alicia**, Department of Conservation;

**Vance, Steven**, Department of Transportation.

## Records Management

Telephone: (573) 751-3319

[sos.mo.gov/records/recmgmt](http://sos.mo.gov/records/recmgmt)

Records Management provides state agencies with the necessary instruments to effectively manage information and records in order to promote the efficiency and continuity of government, document the rights of Missouri citizens and preserve the state's heritage. The division includes three sections: Records Analysis, Imaging Services and the State Records Center.

Records Analysts assist state agencies in identifying and effectively managing their official records. Analysts consult with agency officials on

retention schedules and advise agencies on cost and technical matters related to microfilm, digital imaging and low-cost storage of inactive and semi-active records.

Imaging Services provides micrographic and digital imaging services to state agencies and local governments. Agencies can reduce the volume of, improve access to and ensure archival preservation for their long-term and significant records by utilizing these services.

The State Records Center provides state agencies with an economical storage solution for inactive records. The transfer of inactive files to the records center allows agencies to free up office space and equipment, saving Missouri taxpayers millions of dollars over the life of the records.

## State Records Commission

[sos.mo.gov/records/recmgmt/src](http://sos.mo.gov/records/recmgmt/src)

The State Records Commission was created by statute in 1964. The Commission, working with the Records Services Division, reviews and establishes retention periods and guidelines for records in the executive branch of government, regardless of format.

## State Records Commission

**Hoskins, Denny, CPA**, chair, secretary of state;

**Dougan, John**, secretary, Missouri State Archives;

**Bailey, Andrew**, attorney general;

**Fitzpatrick, Scott**, state auditor;

**Kremer, Dr. Gary R.**, director, State Historical Society of Missouri;

**Laurent, John**, Missouri chief information officer;

**Trent, Curtis**, Missouri Senate;

**Veit, Rudy**, House of Representatives;

**Zellers, Kenneth (Ken)**, commissioner, Office of Administration.

## Local Records

Telephone: (573) 751-9047

[sos.mo.gov/archives/localrecs](http://sos.mo.gov/archives/localrecs)

Local Records works to improve long-term management of local government records by advising, educating and encouraging records custodians in the use of sound records management and archival practices. Local Records archivists provide expertise to local government officials on the retention of records and records preservation projects.

Through Local Records, documents of great historical value are identified and preserved, revealing long-lost local histories and enhancing the collection of the Missouri State Archives. Consultations, records inventories and preservation projects conducted by division staff make

local public records more accessible. More than 3,500 governmental entities, including all offices in county, municipal and local district government offices, rely on Local Records for assistance in managing records. Field archivists are located around the state to assist this effort.

Local Records also houses the state document conservation lab, where staff provide advice to local government offices on all aspects of record care, preservation and disaster recovery. Conservation treatments are performed on the state's most historically significant and fragile documents.

## Local Records Board

[sos.mo.gov/archives/localrecs/lrboard](http://sos.mo.gov/archives/localrecs/lrboard)

The Local Records Board was created by statute in 1972. Comprised of representatives from all local government classifications, the board reviews and establishes retention schedules for local government records.

## Local Records Board

**Hoskins, Denny, CPA**, chair, secretary of state;  
**Dougan, John**, chair designee,  
**Blattner, Andrew**, Cape Girardeau County Recorder;  
**Birkicht, Barbara**, St. Louis City Associate Counselor;  
**Burbridge, Laura**, Republic City Clerk;  
**Cohron, Vanessa**, Warrensburg R-VI School District;  
**Cotter, Anita**, Springfield City Clerk;  
**Dempsey, Mary**, St. Charles County Recorder;  
**Esely, Cindy**, Andrew County Treasurer;  
**Golden, Annie**, Jasper County Archivist;  
**Lemons, Lori**, East Prairie City Clerk;  
**Owens, Roberta**, Worth County Clerk;  
**Schneider, Jodi**, Warrensburg City Clerk;  
**Yen, Connie**, Greene County archivist.

## Administrative Rules

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Since 1976, the Administrative Rules division has been charged by state law with setting uniform standards, procedures and guidelines for the preparation and publishing of rules in the *Missouri Register* and the *Missouri Code of State Regulations*. The Administrative Rules Division initially publishes rulemakings proposed by state



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Local Records Director



CURTIS TREAT  
Director of Administrative Rules

agencies in the *Missouri Register*. The rulemakings are published to provide public notice and allow agencies to receive comments and revise the proposed rulemakings based on comments. Agencies then file final versions of orders of rulemaking with the division for final publication in the *Missouri Register* and subsequently in the *Missouri Code of State Regulations*. The division provides a user's guide for the proper preparation and filing of agency rules entitled *Missouri State Rulemaking Manual*, which is available on the secretary of state's website.

The Administrative Rules division also publishes emergency rules in the *Missouri Register*. An agency may file an emergency rule if the agency finds an immediate danger to public health, safety, or welfare or if the emergency rule is necessary to preserve a compelling governmental interest that requires an early effective date, prior to that allowed by the traditional rulemaking process. An emergency rule is only in effect for a limited period of time and normally has a corresponding proposed rulemaking that allows for public notice and comment. Once an emergency rule is approved and processed, it may be viewed on the secretary of state's website under the Emergency Rules section until it is published in the *Missouri Register*.

The *Missouri Register* is published twice a month, and updates to the 16-volume *Missouri Code of State Regulations* are published once a month. Both the *Missouri Register* and *Missouri Code of State Regulations* are available on the secretary of state's website. Additionally, Missourians who are interested in particular rules may sign up on the secretary of state's website for email notification of rule filings by rule number or subject matter.

## Historical Listing, Secretaries of State

	Name and (Party)	Term	County	Born	Died
1.	Joshua Barton (D)	1820–21	St. Louis	07/28/1792	06/30/1823
2.	William Grymes Pettus (D) <sup>1</sup>	1821–24	St. Louis	12/31/1794	12/25/1867
3.	Hamilton Rowan Gamble (D)	1824–26	Howard	11/29/1798	01/31/1864
4.	Spencer Darwin Pettis (D)	1826–28	St. Louis	1802	08/27/1831
5.	Priestly Harvey McBride (D)	1828–30	Boone	1796	05/21/1869
6.	John Cummins Edwards (D) <sup>5</sup>	1830–35	St. Louis	06/24/1806	09/17/1888
7.	Henry Shurlds (D)	1835–37	Washington	11/21/1796	08/02/1852
8.	John Cummins Edwards (D)	1837	Cole	06/24/1806	09/17/1888
9.	Peter Garland Glover (D)	1837–39	Callaway	01/14/1792	10/27/1851
10.	James Lawrence Minor (D) <sup>5</sup>	1839–45	Marion	06/09/1813	06/02/1897
11.	Falkland Heard Martin (D)	1845–49	Jefferson	1804	11/16/1856
12.	Ephraim Brevard Ewing (D)	1849–53	Ray	05/16/1819	06/02/1873
13.	John M. Richardson (D) <sup>2</sup>	1853–57	Greene	09/08/1820	05/01/1899
14.	Benjamin Franklin Massey (D)	1857–61	Jasper	01/23/1811	12/18/1879
15.	Mordecai Oliver (U) <sup>3,4</sup>	1861–65	Greene	10/22/1819	04/25/1898
16.	Francis A. Rodman (R) <sup>5</sup>	1865–71	Buchanan	1823–1829	07/01/1888
17.	Eugene F. Weigel (D)	1871–75	St. Louis	1844	10/23/1896
18.	Michael Knowles McGrath (D) <sup>5</sup>	1875–89	St. Louis City	09/23/1833	01/29/1913
19.	Alexander A. Lesueur (D) <sup>5</sup>	1889–1901	Lafayette	11/25/1842	01/19/1924
20.	Sam Baker Cook (D)	1901–05	Audrain	01/11/1852	02/04/1931
21.	John Ephraim Swanger (R)	1905–09	Sullivan	06/22/1864	10/19/1936
22.	Cornelius Roach (D) <sup>5</sup>	1909–17	Jasper	08/09/1863	09/03/1934
23.	John Leo Sullivan (D)	1917–21	Pettis	10/14/1877	01/11/1936
24.	Charles U. Becker (R) <sup>5</sup>	1921–33	Polk	10/21/1868	05/21/1934
25.	Dwight H. Brown (D) <sup>5</sup>	1933–44	Butler	01/12/1887	05/08/1944
26.	Gregory C. Stockard (R) <sup>6</sup>	1944–45	Cole	08/03/1904	10/14/1993
27.	Wilson Bell (D)	1945–47	Washington	05/24/1897	05/20/1947
28.	Edgar C. Nelson (D) <sup>7</sup>	1947–49	Cooper	08/17/1883	09/09/1970
29.	Walter Hendricks Toberman (D) <sup>5</sup>	1949–60	St. Louis City	04/19/1879	02/13/1960
30.	Robert W. Crawford (D) <sup>8</sup>	1960–61	Vernon	11/11/1926	02/20/1991
31.	Warren E. Hearnes (D)	1961–65	Mississippi	07/24/1923	08/16/2009
32.	James C. Kirkpatrick (D) <sup>5</sup>	1965–85	Henry, Barton, Cole	06/15/1905	12/26/1997
33.	Roy D. Blunt (R) <sup>5</sup>	1985–93	Greene	01/10/1950	
34.	Judith K. Moriarty (D)	1993–94	Pettis	02/02/1942	
35.	Richard Hanson (D) <sup>9</sup>	1994	Cole	02/20/1940	
36.	Rebecca McDowell Cook (D) <sup>5,10</sup>	1994–2001	Cape Girardeau	07/18/1950	
37.	Matt Blunt (R)	2001–05	Greene	11/20/1970	
38.	Robin Carnahan (D) <sup>5</sup>	2005–13	Phelps	08/04/1961	
39.	Jason Kander (D)	2013–17	Jackson	05/04/1981	
40.	John R. Ashcroft (R)	2017–25	Cole	07/12/1973	
41.	Denny Hoskins, CPA (R)	2025–	Johnson	10/10/1974	

<sup>1</sup>Appointed when Barton resigned to become U.S. District Attorney for Missouri in September 1821.

<sup>2</sup>Richardson was the first secretary of state to be elected to the office. Prior to 1852, secretaries of state were appointed by the governor.

<sup>3</sup>Unionist

<sup>4</sup>Oliver was elected provisional secretary of state by the Missouri State Convention on July 31, 1861. The office had been declared vacant after Governor Jackson joined the Confederacy.

<sup>5</sup>Some held multiple terms as secretary of state. In consideration of space, some are listed here only once.

<sup>6</sup>Appointed upon death of Dwight H. Brown.

<sup>7</sup>Appointed upon death of Wilson Bell.

<sup>8</sup>Appointed upon death of Walter H. Toberman.

<sup>9</sup>Appointed upon impeachment of Judith K. Moriarty.

<sup>10</sup>Appointed upon resignation of Richard Hanson.

# Missouri at a Glance

## General Information

**Entered the Union:** Aug. 10, 1821 (24th state).

**Capitol:** Jefferson City.

**Present Constitution adopted:** 1945.

**Motto:** “*Salus populi suprema lex esto*” which is Latin for “The welfare of the people shall be the supreme law.”

**Nickname:** The Show Me State.

**Origin of state name:** Missouri gets its name from a tribe of Sioux Indians of the state called the Missouris. The word “Missouri” often has been construed to mean “muddy water” but the Smithsonian Institution Bureau of American Ethnology has stated it means “town of the large canoes,” and authorities have said the Indian syllables from which the word comes mean “wooden canoe people” or “he of the big canoe.”

**Land area in square miles (national rank):** 68,727 (18).

**Number of counties:** 114 with one independent city (St. Louis).

**Largest county:** Texas—1,179 square miles.

**Smallest county:** Worth—267 square miles.

## Population

Ten largest cities (2024 estimate)

Kansas City	511,532
St. Louis	275,506
Springfield	170,525
Columbia	130,337
Independence	120,263
Lee’s Summit	105,038
O’Fallon	94,891
St. Charles	72,140
St. Joseph	70,130
Blue Springs	61,084

Missouri population (2024 estimate) . . . . . 6,245,470

National rank . . . . . 19

Male/female population (percentage) . . . . . 49% / 51%

Ethnic population (by percentage)

White	76.7%
Black or African American	11.0%
American Indian / Alaska Native	0.2%
Asian	2.1%
Native Hawaiian / Other Pacific Islander	0.1%
Other / Two or More Races	4.8%
Hispanic/Latino	5.1%

Urban/rural distribution (by percentage) (2023–2024) . . . . . 69.2% / 30.8%

Resident live births (Missouri Vital Statistics 2024) . . . . . 67,863

Resident deaths (Missouri Vital Statistics 2024) . . . . . 66,570

Total personal income (2024) . . . . . \$387.90 billion  
(U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis)

Per capita income (2024) . . . . . \$64,740  
(U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis)

Median household income (2024) . . . . . \$68,545  
(U.S. Census Bureau)

Real Gross Domestic Product (2024) . . . . . \$348.48 billion  
(U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis)

## Geography/Climate

Highest point (in feet above sea level: Taum Sauk Mountain, Iron County) . . . . . 1,772

Lowest point (in feet above sea level: St. Francis River, Bootheel) . . . . . 230

Approximate mean elevation in feet above sea level (national rank) . . . . . 800 (44)





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# Scott Fitzpatrick

## State Auditor

Elected November 8, 2022

Term expires January 2027

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SCOTT FITZPATRICK (Republican) was sworn in as Missouri's 39th state auditor on Jan. 9, 2023, after being elected to his first term in November 2022.

As auditor, Fitzpatrick serves as Missouri's taxpayer watchdog, working to ensure that state and local governments operate efficiently, transparently and within the law. He has prioritized audits of school districts, COVID-19 relief spending and government programs to identify waste, mismanagement and fraud. His office plays a key role in holding public officials accountable and protecting taxpayer dollars.

Before becoming auditor, Fitzpatrick served as Missouri's 47th state treasurer. He led efforts to expand and improve MO ABLE, the savings program for individuals with disabilities, and reduced fees for Missouri's 529 Education Plan, making college savings more accessible. Under his leadership, Missouri returned record amounts of Unclaimed Property and launched partnerships to help families recover past-due child support.

Fitzpatrick previously served three terms in the Missouri House of Representatives, where he chaired the House Budget Committee and oversaw the passage of Missouri's \$28 billion annual operating budget. During his tenure, the state fully funded K-12 education for the first time in nearly a decade.

A lifelong Missourian, Fitzpatrick founded a marine construction company as a teenager in Shell Knob and understands the challenges faced by small business owners. He graduated from Cassville High School and the University of Missouri. He and his wife, Mallory, live in Cassville with their four sons: Luke, Carson, Noah and Henry.



# Office of the State Auditor

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## Duties

The Missouri State Auditor's Office is Missouri's independent watchdog agency, charged with protecting taxpayer dollars from waste, fraud and abuse, and determining whether they are spent efficiently, effectively, and in accordance with the law. Audits are conducted in an impartial, non-partisan manner in accordance with government auditing standards issued by the Comptroller General of the United States.

The state auditor has authority to audit state entities, including departments, boards, commissions, statewide offices, and the General Assembly. The office is charged with auditing the state's expenditure of state and federal dollars, and may also audit courts, school districts, certain counties, municipalities, and other political subdivisions.

The office reviews property tax rates set by local political subdivisions and drafts fiscal notes and fiscal note summaries for initiative petitions. The office registers general obligation bonds issued by political subdivisions of the state to ensure compliance with state law.

The office maintains a Whistleblower Hotline for citizens to report suspected waste, fraud, and abuse at all levels of government. Individuals may report information to the State Auditor's Whistleblower Hotline by calling (800) 347-8597, by emailing [moaudit@auditor.mo.gov](mailto:moaudit@auditor.mo.gov), or by using the online submission form at [auditor.mo.gov/hotline](http://auditor.mo.gov/hotline). Callers may choose to remain anonymous.

The powers of the state auditor are derived from Article IV, Section 13 of the *Missouri Constitution*. Statutory authority and duties are primarily detailed in Chapter 29 of the *Revised Statutes of Missouri*.

## Audits

Audits are performed to determine how well governmental agencies and elected officials are



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Director of Communications

protecting taxpayers' dollars from fraud, waste and abuse, and whether tax dollars are being spent efficiently, economically and legally. All audits are conducted in an impartial, nonpartisan manner and in accordance with government auditing standards issued by the Comptroller General of the United States.

The State Auditor's Office performs financial and performance audits, which also include reviews of management practices. Financial records of auditees are examined to determine how the auditee accounted for funds under its control.



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Manager of Human Resources

The state auditor's office reviews auditee systems and controls to ensure taxpayer dollars are protected. The state auditor's office also reviews compliance with constitutional provisions, laws, legislative appropriation levels, administrative rules, and the efficiency and accountability of management practices.

Audits contain a management advisory report listing any management weaknesses discovered during the audit. Findings and recommendations in the management advisory report are reviewed with the auditee at an exit conference prior to the release of the audit so responses from the auditee may be included in the final report. Audit reports are released publicly and available online.

### Whistleblower Hotline

Missourians may contact the state auditor's Whistleblower Hotline with concerns related to fraud or waste in government operations by calling (800) 347-8597, by emailing [moaudit@auditor.mo.gov](mailto:moaudit@auditor.mo.gov), or by using the online submission form at [auditor.mo.gov/hotline](http://auditor.mo.gov/hotline). Callers may choose to remain anonymous. Information from

citizens, legislators and government employees can be helpful throughout the audit process in identifying problems. Citizens are urged to contact the auditor's office if they have information they believe could be useful to audit staff. The state auditor may take immediate action when there is evidence of fraud; violation of state or federal law, rule or regulation; or significant mismanagement by referring the matter to the appropriate authorities, in order to preserve relevant evidence and/or prevent continued harm.

In 2023, the Missouri General Assembly unanimously approved additional discretionary authority for the auditor's office to conduct an audit of any political subdivision of the state, if, after receiving a whistleblower complaint, the office deems the complaint credible following an initial investigation.

### Public Corruption and Fraud Division

The Public Corruption and Fraud Division within the Missouri State Auditor's Office is dedicated to rooting out fraud, waste, and abuse in state, county, and local government and assisting law enforcement to ensure those who are

responsible for stealing taxpayer funds are held accountable. The division is made up of attorneys, auditors, and investigators, and includes forensic auditing specialists and Certified Fraud Examiners. The division has a demonstrated history of working with local, state, and federal law enforcement to pursue justice for taxpayers.

## Petition Audits

Under Missouri law, the State Auditor's Office may be called on to audit any political subdivision of the state if enough qualified voters of that political subdivision request the audit. Section 29.230, RSMo, outlines the petition process and requirements.

Key provisions of the law include: the political subdivision audited through the petition process is responsible for the cost of the audit; petition signatures must be from registered voters who live within the boundaries of the political subdivision; the petition and signatures must be submitted within one year of the initial request; the person who submits the petition and signatures, also known as the chief petitioner, must be a property owner or resident of the political subdivision.

More information about the petition audit process can be found at [auditor.mo.gov/petition-audits](https://auditor.mo.gov/petition-audits).

## Follow-Up Reports

Audit follow-up reviews are conducted to increase accountability in government for the taxpayers of Missouri. Audit follow-up reports document whether audit recommendations have been implemented as recommended by the state auditor. The state auditor's office works with audited entities to establish a reasonable timeline for the implementation of audit recommendations, with a particular focus on findings requiring immediate action.

## Office Review

The State Auditor's Office frequently receives independent reviews of audit processes and office operations. In November 2023, the Missouri State Auditor's Office received the highest rating possible during a routine review by the National State Auditors Association (NSAA). The NSAA reviews are done every three years; the previous peer review was completed in 2020. Additionally, in April 2018, the Missouri General Assembly issued two separate audits of the Missouri State Auditor's Office, which found overall operations are managed professionally and cybersecurity measures are effective.

## Public Engagement

Auditor Fitzpatrick is dedicated to helping government officials identify best practices and make lasting improvements for the taxpayers of Missouri. The state auditor and his staff regularly speak to groups and organizations on matters related to audit processes, financial controls and procedures, and the importance of compliance and transparency in state government.

Citizens may contact the auditor's office to provide information for an audit, request information on audit practices and priorities or schedule a speaker for an upcoming event by calling (800) 347-8597 or by emailing [moaudit@auditor.mo.gov](mailto:moaudit@auditor.mo.gov).

## Commitment to Transparency

All audit reports issued by the state auditor and summaries of investigations that do not result in 29.225, RSMo discretionary audits are public documents and available on the auditor's website. Audit reports are available on the state auditor's website and distributed electronically to the public and members of the media. Citizens may sign up to receive email alerts when audit reports are issued by visiting the state auditor's website at [auditor.mo.gov](https://auditor.mo.gov).

**Historical Listing, State Auditors**

	<b>Name and (Party)</b>	<b>Term</b>	<b>County</b>	<b>Born</b>	<b>Died</b>
1.	William Christy (D)	1820–21	St. Louis	01/10/1764	04/03/1837
2.	William V. Rector (D)	1821–23	St. Louis	c1795–1796	09/16/1829
3.	Elias Barcroft (D) <sup>5</sup>	1823–33	St. Louis	1778	08/26/1851
4.	Henry Shurlds (D)	1833–35	Washington	11/21/1796	08/02/1852
5.	Peter Garland Glover (D)	1835–37	Callaway	01/14/1792	10/27/1851
6.	Hiram H. Baber (D) <sup>5</sup>	1837–45	Cole	09/10/1795	10/23/1873
7.	William Monroe (D)	1845	Morgan	c1790	04/09/1846
8.	James R. McDearmon (D)	1845–48	St. Charles	08/31/1805	03/20/1848
9.	George W. Miller (D)	1848–49	Cole	c1805–1810	03/19/1879
10.	Wilson Brown (D)	1849–52	Cape Girardeau	08/27/1804	08/27/1855
11.	Abraham Fulkerson (D)	1852	Cole	1819	10/02/1892
12.	William H. Buffington (D)	1853–61	Cole	06/15/1818	09/26/1899
13.	William S. Moseley (D)	1861–65	New Madrid	1817–1818	01/03/1879
14.	Alonzo Thompson (R)	1865–69	Nodaway	02/22/1832	04/09/1913
15.	Daniel M. Draper (R)	1869–73	Montgomery	10/06/1839	05/26/1915
16.	George Boardman Clark (D)	1873–75	Washington	05/08/1833	12/08/1903
17.	Thomas Holladay (D) <sup>5</sup>	1875–81	Madison	1834	07/31/1904
18.	John Walker (D) <sup>5</sup>	1881–89	Howard	03/11/1824	08/30/1897
19.	James Monroe Seibert (D)	1889–1901	Cape Girardeau	02/03/1847	01/23/1935
20.	Albert Otis Allen (D)	1901–05	New Madrid	12/12/1841	04/04/1926
21.	William Werner Wilder (R)	1905–09	Ste. Genevieve	12/13/1857	08/26/1930
22.	John Pemberton Gordon (D) <sup>5</sup>	1909–17	Lafayette	04/29/1866	03/05/1949
23.	George Ernst Hackmann (R) <sup>5</sup>	1917–25	Warren	08/10/1877	12/29/1954
24.	Lorenzo Dow Thompson (R) <sup>5</sup>	1925–33	Callaway	11/22/1873	10/1/1951
25.	Forrest Smith (D) <sup>5</sup>	1933–49	Ray	02/14/1886	03/08/1962
26.	William Henry Holmes (D)	1949–53	Maries	04/21/1883	03/31/1953
27.	Haskell Holman (D) <sup>1, 5</sup>	1953–71	Randolph	11/29/1908	07/12/1974
28.	Christopher S. (Kit) Bond (R)	1971–73	Audrain	03/06/1939	05/13/2025
29.	John Ashcroft (R) <sup>2</sup>	1973–74	Greene	05/09/1942	
30.	George W. Lehr (D)	1974–77	Jackson	03/10/1937	03/21/1988
31.	Thomas M. Keyes (D) <sup>3</sup>	1977–78	Jackson	02/04/1914	04/03/1987
32.	James Antonio (R) <sup>5</sup>	1978–84	Cole	06/30/1939	
33.	Margaret B. Kelly (R) <sup>4, 5</sup>	1984–99	Cole	09/17/1935	
34.	Claire McCaskill (D)	1999–2007	Jackson	07/24/1953	
35.	Susan Montee (D) <sup>6</sup>	2007–11	Buchanan	07/06/1959	
36.	Thomas A. Schweich (R)	2011–15	St. Louis	10/02/1960	02/26/2015
37.	John D. Watson (D) <sup>7</sup>	2015	Cole	01/25/1960	08/28/2020
38.	Nicole R. Galloway (D) <sup>8</sup>	2015–23	Boone	06/13/1982	
39.	Scott Fitzpatrick (R)	2023–	Barry	09/28/1987	

<sup>1</sup>Holman appointed upon death of W.H. Holmes.<sup>2</sup>Ashcroft appointed upon resignation of Christopher S. Bond.<sup>3</sup>Keyes appointed upon resignation of George W. Lehr.<sup>4</sup>Kelly appointed upon resignation of James Antonio.<sup>5</sup>Some held multiple terms as state auditor. In consideration of space, they are listed here only once.<sup>6</sup>Montee appointed when McCaskill elected to U.S. Senate.<sup>7</sup>Watson appointed upon the death of Thomas A. Schweich.<sup>8</sup>Galloway appointed upon the resignation of John D. Watson.





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# Vivek Malek

## State Treasurer

Elected November 5, 2024

Term expires January 2029

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VIVEK MALEK (vih-VAKE MA-lehk) (Republican) was sworn in as Missouri’s 48th state treasurer on Jan. 17, 2023, following his appointment by Gov. Mike Parson. He was elected to a full term in November 2024, becoming the first person of color elected to statewide office in Missouri history and the highest-ranking Republican Indian American currently in elected office in the United States.

As treasurer, Malek has focused on what he calls the “Three P’s”: protecting taxpayer dollars, providing opportunities through state programs, and promoting the promise of America. He led efforts to divest Missouri pension funds from Chinese companies, citing national security and financial risks. His office has expanded access to the MO ABLE and MOST 529 savings programs, increased returns of unclaimed property, and grown the MO BUCK\$ program to help farmers and small businesses access low-interest loans.

A first-generation American, Malek came to Missouri in 2001 with \$300 and two suitcases. He earned an MBA from Southeast Missouri State University and a Master of Laws from the University of Illinois. Prior to public service, he practiced law in St. Louis, building a successful legal business devoted to helping other legal immigrants achieve their American dreams. His leadership and community service have earned him numerous awards and recognition from the Missouri General Assembly.

Malek and his wife, Riju, live in Wildwood with their three children: Naija, Viraj and Myra.



# Office of the State Treasurer

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The state treasurer serves as Missouri's chief banking and investing officer. The state treasurer directs the state's banking services, and oversees Missouri's state investment portfolio. In addition, the state treasurer safeguards over \$1 billion of unclaimed property that has been turned over to the state. Moreover, the state treasurer administers multiple programs including the Education Savings Program (MOST 529), the Missouri Empowerment Scholarship Accounts (MO Scholars), the Missouri Achieving a Better Life Experience Program (MO ABLE), and the linked deposit program for small businesses and farmers (MO BUCK\$).

## Banking and Investments

The state treasurer is custodian of state funds and funds received from the United States government. Upon receipt of state and federal funds, the state treasurer ensures the moneys are deposited in selected banking institutions approved by the governor and the state auditor. Moneys not needed for current expenses are invested through various arrangements as provided by law. The state treasurer prepares, maintains and adheres to a written investment policy which includes an asset allocation plan limiting the total amount of state money which may be invested in each category authorized.

## Unclaimed Property

The state treasurer is responsible for safe guarding and returning Missourians' Unclaimed Property. Each year, financial institutions, businesses, government agencies and other organizations turn over millions of dollars in cash and other property to the state treasurer's office. Currently, over \$1.5 billion in unclaimed assets are held by the state. Through various efforts, the state treasurer creates public awareness of unclaimed property held by the state and works to return assets held to rightful own-



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ers. Individuals can search for unclaimed property via the web at [ShowMeMoney.com](http://ShowMeMoney.com).

## Education Savings Program (MOST 529)

Established in 1999, the Missouri Education Program (MOST 529) assists Missouri families save for the cost of education and training, K-12 tuition, registered apprenticeships, trade or vocational schools, two to four-year colleges or universities, and graduate school. In addition, these tax-advantaged investment accounts may be used for qualifying expenses such as books, supplies, room and board, and computer equipment. The beneficiary can be changed at any time, provided that the new beneficiary is an eligible family member of the original beneficiary. Missourians are also eligible for a state tax deduction.

## Missouri Empowerment Scholarship Accounts (MO Scholars)

In 2021, the Missouri General Assembly established the Missouri Empowerment Scholarship Accounts Program. The MO Scholars program provides options for eligible families to seek and receive alternative educational services to meet their specific educational needs. State tax credits are awarded to individuals and businesses who make eligible contributions to an approved, non-profit Educational Assistance Organizations (EAOs). EAOs provide scholarships for qualifying students participating in the MO Scholars program. Each EAO establishes and maintains relationships with eligible schools where scholarship funds may be used.

## Missouri Achieving a Better Life Experience Program (MO ABLE)

In December 2014, the United States Congress passed the Achieving a Better Life Experience (ABLE) Act. With the passage of the feder-



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al ABLÉ Act, the Missouri General Assembly in 2015 passed legislation creating the Missouri version of the ABLÉ Act, which is known as MO ABLÉ. Eligible Missourians with disabilities have the opportunity to open an investment account and save money without losing eligibility for other benefits, such as Medicaid or Supplemental Security Income (SSI). Earnings from these accounts are not subject to federal and state income tax when spent on qualified expenses.

### Linked-Deposit Loan Program (MOBUCK\$)

In 1986, the Missouri General Assembly created the linked-deposit loan program, which is known as MO BUCK\$. The State Treasurer's Office deposits funds with an approved borrower's qualified banking institution at a below-market interest rate. Lowering the market rate on deposits permits lenders to pass along a 30 percent interest rate deduction on the borrower's loan. As a result, the MO BUCK\$ program provides an economic boost to the Missouri economy. This linked-deposit loan program primarily serves Missouri farmers and ranchers as well as small business owners.

### Boards and Commissions

The state treasurer is a member of several boards, commissions, and trusts in the state.

- Missouri Education Plan Board (MOST)



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Director of General Services

- Missouri Empowerment Scholarship Accounts Board (MOScholars)
- Missouri Housing Development Commission (MHDC)
- Missouri State Employees' Retirement System (MOSERS)
- Missouri Achieving a Better Life Experience Board (MO ABLÉ)
- Board of Fund Commissioners
- Missouri Arts Council Trust Fund Board of Trustees
- Linked Deposits Review Committee
- State Historical Society of Missouri

## Historical Listing, State Treasurers

	Name and (Party)	Term	County	Born	Died
1.	John Peter Didier (D)	1816–21	St. Louis	03/08/1753	08/25/1823
2.	Nathaniel Simonds (D) <sup>2</sup>	1822–28	St. Louis	04/19/1773	04/07/1850
3.	James Earickson (D)	1829–32	Howard	12/02/1782	06/11/1844
4.	John Walker (D)	1833–38	Cole	10/17/1772	05/26/1838
5.	Abraham McClellan (D)	1838–43	Jackson	1773	09/18/1851
6.	Peter Garland Glover (D) <sup>2</sup>	1843–51	Cole	01/14/1792	10/27/1851
7.	Alfred William Morrison (D) <sup>2</sup>	1851–61	Howard	11/25/1802	08/24/1883
8.	George Caleb Bingham (D) <sup>2, 3</sup>	1862–65	Jackson	03/20/1811	07/07/1879
9.	William Bishop (R)	1865–69	Clark	03/24/1817	05/02/1879
10.	William Quintilis Dallmeyer (R)	1869–71	Gasconade	10/23/1829	03/15/1908
11.	Samuel Hays (R)	1871–73	Buchanan	c1828–1832	10/08/1897
12.	Harvey Wallis Salmon (D)	1873–75	Henry	01/26/1839	04/27/1927
13.	Joseph Wayne Mercer (D)	1875–77	Jackson	02/25/1845	03/13/1906
14.	Elijah Gates (D)	1877–81	Buchanan	12/17/1827	03/04/1915
15.	Philip Edward Chappell (D)	1881–85	Cole	08/18/1837	02/23/1908
16.	James Monroe Seibert (D)	1885–89	Cape Girardeau	02/03/1847	01/23/1935
17.	Edward T. Noland (D)	1889–90	Jackson	03/24/1847	06/26/1926
18.	Lon Vest Stephens (D)	1890–97	Cooper	12/21/1858	01/10/1923
19.	Frank Littleton Pitts (D)	1897–1901	Monroe	04/25/1841	02/03/1905
20.	Robert Prewitt Williams (D)	1901–05	Howard	09/08/1841	07/11/1910
21.	Jacob Friedrich Gmelich (R)	1905–09	Cooper	07/23/1839	02/21/1914
22.	James Cowgill (D)	1909–13	Jackson	04/02/1848	01/20/1922
23.	Edwin P. Deal (D)	1913–17	Mississippi	04/19/1859	12/10/1945
24.	George H. Middelkamp (D)	1917–21	Warren	04/20/1880	10/05/1966
25.	Lorenzo Dow Thompson (R)	1921–25	Callaway	11/22/1873	10/01/1951
26.	C. Eugene Stephens (R)	1925–29	St. Louis	12/20/1889	06/25/1970
27.	Larry Brunk (R)	1929–33	Lawrence	02/09/1883	11/22/1956
28.	Richard R. Nacy (D)	1933–37	Cole	11/07/1895	01/10/1961
29.	Robert William Winn (D)	1937–41	Ralls	06/09/1895	08/13/1948
30.	Wilson Bell (D)	1941–45	Washington	05/24/1897	05/20/1947
31.	Robert William Winn (D)	1945–48	Ralls	06/09/1895	08/13/1948
32.	Richard R. Nacy (D) <sup>4</sup>	1948–49	Cole	11/07/1895	01/10/1961
33.	Mount Etna Morris (D)	1949–53	Grundy	09/01/1900	07/08/1988
34.	George Hubert Bates (D)	1953–57	Lafayette	12/08/1884	07/22/1978
35.	Mount Etna Morris (D)	1957–61	Grundy	09/01/1900	07/08/1988
36.	Milton Carpenter (D)	1961–65	St. Louis City	03/04/1905	11/19/1996
37.	Mount Etna Morris (D)	1965–69	Grundy	09/01/1900	07/08/1988
38.	William Edmond Robinson (D)	1969–73	Cole	06/01/1920	10/16/1992
39.	James I. Spainhower (D) <sup>2</sup>	1973–81	Cole	08/03/1928	12/12/2018
40.	Mel Carnahan (D)	1981–85	Phelps	02/11/1934	10/16/2000
41.	Wendell Bailey (R) <sup>2</sup>	1985–93	Howell	07/31/1940	
42.	Bob Holden (D) <sup>2</sup>	1993–2001	Shannon	08/24/1949	
43.	Nancy Farmer (D)	2001–05	St. Louis City	09/11/1956	
44.	Sarah Steelman (R)	2005–09	Phelps	05/03/1958	
45.	Clint Zweifel (D) <sup>2</sup>	2009–17	St. Louis	11/03/1973	
46.	Eric S. Schmitt (R)	2017–19	St. Louis	06/20/1975	
47.	Scott Fitzpatrick (R) <sup>5</sup>	2019–23	Barry	09/28/1987	
48.	Vivek Malek (R) <sup>6</sup>	2023–	St. Louis	03/20/1977	

<sup>1</sup>Baptismal date, as Jean Pierre Didier.

<sup>2</sup>Some held multiple terms as state treasurer. In consideration of space, they are listed here only once.

<sup>3</sup>Bingham was appointed state treasurer by provisional Governor Gamble when Morrison refused to take a loyalty oath.

<sup>4</sup>Appointed upon the death of Robert William Winn.

<sup>5</sup>Fitzpatrick appointed when Schmitt resigned to become Attorney General.

<sup>6</sup>Malek appointed after Fitzpatrick resigned to become State Auditor.



The Jefferson City "Millbottom" industrial area and original Missouri River bridge taken from the Capitol Building. The Union Pacific railyard and roundhouse as well as the Capitol Building power plant are visible.

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# Catherine L. Hanaway

## Attorney General

Appointed September 8, 2025

Term expires January 2029

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CATHERINE L. HANAWAY (Republican) was sworn in as Missouri's 45th attorney general on Sept. 8, 2025. A seasoned trial lawyer and public servant, she has built her career around one guiding principle: protecting Missouri families.

As attorney general, Hanaway is committed to making the office a force for safety and accountability. Her agenda focuses on fighting crime, protecting consumers, ensuring the vulnerable are safeguarded from fraud and abuse, and defending both the U.S. and Missouri constitutions. She has pledged to pursue justice for victims of violence, root out corruption, and stand against schemes that threaten Missourians' livelihoods. For Hanaway, the mission of the office is straightforward: uphold the laws as written and protect the people of Missouri.

Before taking office, Hanaway led Husch Blackwell LLP, a national law firm headquartered in Kansas City with more than 1,000 attorneys. She was the first woman to serve as chair of the firm, guiding it through record growth while building a reputation for excellence in high-stakes litigation, including cases involving fraud, financial misconduct, and regulatory compliance.

Hanaway previously served as U.S. attorney for the Eastern District of Missouri. She personally tried cases to jury verdicts and helped develop new prosecution strategies in complex health care, fraud, and white-collar crime cases. As the region's chief federal law enforcement officer, she supervised more than 4,000 criminal and civil cases and led a staff of more than 100 attorneys and investigators.

Her career in public service began in the Missouri House of Representatives, where she became the first and only woman elected speaker of the House. In that role, she advanced legislation to strengthen public safety, protect Second Amendment rights, and promote government accountability, establishing her reputation as a defender of Missourians' freedoms.

Hanaway earned a bachelor's degree from Creighton University and a Juris Doctor from the Catholic University of America's Columbus School of Law.

She lives in St. Louis with her husband, Chris, and is the mother of two children, Lucy and John. She has been active in her community through service on civic and professional boards, including as chair of the Regional Business Council and as a member of the St. Louis Regional Crime Commission board.



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The Attorney General's Office represents the state's legal position at every level of trial and appellate courts. The Attorney General prosecutes and defends cases to which the state is a party, including every felony criminal case appealed to the Missouri or United States Supreme Courts and state and federal courts of appeal.

The Attorney General is at the forefront of legal and policy decisions in the state of Missouri directing all litigation to which the state or any state agency or official is a party. They serve as a legal advocate for the public interest.

The Attorney General's Office is organized into two divisions: Civil Litigation and Criminal Litigation. Within those two divisions, the office has nine sections: Consumer Protection, Public Protection, Litigation, Employment Litigation, Labor, Criminal Appeals, Financial Services, Governmental Affairs, and the Medicaid Fraud Control Unit.

In addition to representing the state's legal position, the Attorney General's Office plays a role in protecting Missouri consumers, fighting violent crime, combating human trafficking, rooting out fraud by Medicaid providers, and more.

Housed under the office's Public Protection section, the Special Prosecution Unit aids local prosecutors in complex and complicated cases, typically in Missouri's rural counties. Staffed by prosecutors with more than 200 years of experience, the Special Prosecution Unit has worked with prosecutors across the state to handle some of Missouri's most complex and high-profile cases. Also contained in the office's Public Protection section is the Sexually Violent Predator Commitment Unit, which works with the Department of Mental Health to commit sexually violent predators to mental health facilities. Additionally, the Cold Case Unit, works to obtain justice for victims of cold case homicides, no matter the passage of time.

The Consumer Protection section typically handles an average of 100,000 consumer complaints each year, which can range from price gouging to phone scams. The No-Call



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Unit receiving the majority of consumer complaints. The Consumer Protection section works to mediate those complaints between businesses and individuals to resolve issues without litigation or further legal action. When mediation is unsuccessful, civil litigation and potential criminal prosecution are considered. Under Attorney General Bailey's leadership, the office has recovered millions in restitution for consumers.

The Medicaid Fraud Control Unit works to root out fraud perpetrated by Medicaid providers, and brings legal action where appropriate. Additionally, the Unit investigates claims of abuse and neglect at Medicaid funded facilities. The Medicaid Fraud Control Unit has recovered millions on behalf of taxpayers.

The Attorney General's SAFE Kit Initiative is intended to clear the backlog of untested sexual assault kits across the State of Missouri. Through inventory, shipping and testing, the Office gathers kits from across the state, sends them to the labs to be tested, and works with local law enforcement to investigate potential DNA hits and obtain justice for victims.

The Attorney General's Office also plays a role in defending and protecting Missourians from government overreach in our unique system of federalism, which protects individual liberty. The Office has worked diligently to uphold the tenants of federalism, fighting overreach at all levels of government.

The Attorney General has offices in Jefferson City, St. Louis, Kansas City, Springfield and Cape Girardeau.



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## Historical Listing, Attorneys General

	Name and (Party)	Term	County	Born	Died
1.	Edward Bates (D)	1820–21	St. Louis	09/04/1793	03/25/1869
2.	Rufus Easton (D)	1821–26	St. Louis	05/04/1774	07/05/1834
3.	Robert William Wells (D)	1826–36	St. Charles	11/29/1795	09/22/1861
4.	William Barclay Napton (D)	1836–39	Howard	03/23/1808	01/08/1883
5.	Samuel Mansfield Bay (D)	1839–45	Cole	08/14/1811	06/30/1849
6.	Benjamin F. Stringfellow (D)	1845–49	Chariton	09/03/1816	04/25/1891
7.	William A. Robards (D)	1849–51	Boone	05/03/1817	09/03/1851
8.	James B. Gardenhire (Whig)	1851–57	Buchanan	1821	02/20/1862
9.	Ephraim B. Ewing (D)	1857–58	Ray	05/16/1819	06/02/1873
10.	J. Proctor Knott (D)	1858–61	Scotland	08/29/1830	06/18/1911
11.	Aikman Welch (D) <sup>1</sup>	1861–64	Johnson	05/25/1827	07/28/1864
12.	Thomas Theodore Crittenden (D) <sup>2</sup>	1864	Johnson	01/01/1832	05/29/1909
13.	Robert F. Wingate (D)	1865–69	St. Louis	01/24/1822	11/19/1896
14.	Horace B. Johnson (R)	1869–71	Cole	08/14/1842	03/30/1904
15.	Andrew Jackson Baker (R) <sup>3</sup>	1871–72	Schuyler	06/06/1832	04/23/1911
16.	Henry Clay Ewing (D)	1873–75	Cole	08/15/1828	03/22/1907
17.	John A. Hockaday (D)	1875–77	Callaway	05/06/1837	11/20/1903
18.	Jackson Leonidas Smith (D)	1877–81	Cole	01/31/1837	11/13/1908
19.	Daniel Harrison McIntyre (D)	1881–85	Audrain	05/05/1833	01/01/1910
20.	Banton Gallitin Boone (D)	1885–89	Henry	10/23/1838	02/11/1900
21.	John McKee Wood (D)	1889–93	Clark	08/08/1850	01/24/1926
22.	Robert Franklin Walker (D)	1893–97	Morgan	11/29/1850	11/19/1930
23.	Edward Coke Crow (D)	1897–1905	Jasper	12/19/1861	05/09/1945
24.	Herbert Spencer Hadley (R)	1905–09	Jackson	02/20/1872	12/01/1927
25.	Elliott Woolfolk Major (D)	1909–13	Pike	10/20/1864	07/09/1949
26.	John Tull Barker (D)	1913–17	Macon	08/02/1877	12/07/1958
27.	Frank Winton McAllister (D)	1917–21	Monroe	01/26/1873	06/11/1948
28.	Jesse W. Barrett (R)	1921–25	Lewis	03/17/1884	11/12/1953
29.	Robert William Otto (R) <sup>4</sup>	1925	Franklin	12/25/1892	05/02/1977
30.	North Todd Gentry (R)	1925–28	Boone	03/02/1866	09/18/1944
31.	Stratton Shartel (R)	1928–33	Newton	12/25/1895	02/02/1956
32.	Roy B. McKittrick (D) <sup>5</sup>	1933–45	Chariton	08/24/1887	01/22/1961
33.	Jonathan E. (Buck) Taylor (D) <sup>5</sup>	1945–53	Livingston	11/26/1906	12/27/1981
34.	John M. Dalton (D)	1953–61	Dunklin	11/09/1900	07/07/1972
35.	Thomas F. Eagleton (D)	1961–65	St. Louis City	09/04/1929	03/04/2007
36.	Norman H. Anderson (D)	1965–69	St. Louis	03/02/1924	06/16/1997
37.	John C. Danforth (R)	1969–77	St. Louis, Cole	09/05/1936	
38.	John D. Ashcroft (R)	1977–85	Greene	05/09/1942	
39.	William L. Webster (R) <sup>5</sup>	1985–93	Jasper	09/17/1953	
40.	Jeremiah W. (Jay) Nixon (D) <sup>5</sup>	1993–2009	Jefferson	02/13/1956	
41.	Chris Koster (D) <sup>5</sup>	2009–17	Cass	08/31/1964	
42.	Josh Hawley (R)	2017–19	Lafayette	12/31/1979	
43.	Eric Schmitt (R) <sup>6</sup>	2019–23	St. Louis County	06/20/1975	
44.	Andrew Bailey (R) <sup>7</sup>	2023–25	Montgomery	05/18/1981	
45.	Catherine L. Hanaway (R) <sup>8</sup>	2025–	St. Louis County	11/08/1963	

<sup>1</sup>Welch was appointed attorney general by provisional Gov. Gamble when Knott refused to take a loyalty oath.

<sup>2</sup>Crittenden was appointed to fill the unexpired term of Aikman Welch, who died in office. Crittenden only served until the end of that year.

<sup>3</sup>Baker ran and was elected as a Liberal Republican.

<sup>4</sup>Otto left office to become a Supreme Court Judge.

<sup>5</sup>Some held multiple terms as attorney general. In consideration of space, some are listed here only once.

<sup>6</sup>Schmitt appointed when Hawley elected to U.S. Senate.

<sup>7</sup>Bailey appointed when Schmitt elected to U.S. Senate.

<sup>8</sup>Hanaway appointed when Bailey appointed to co-deputy director of the FBI.

Note: Like other state offices, except governor and lieutenant governor, the attorney general's office was filled by appointment from 1820–1852. The offices then became elective for four-year terms. They changed to two-year elective terms in 1868, and changed back to four-year elective terms in 1875.