

Political History of Nevada



Chapter 5

Federal and Statewide Office Holders

CHAPTER 5: FEDERAL AND STATEWIDE OFFICER HOLDERS

An Act of Congress created the Territory of Nevada on March 2, 1861. James W. Nye of New York was appointed Nevada's first Territorial Governor by President Abraham Lincoln later that year. On October 31, 1864, President Lincoln proclaimed Nevada's admission to the Union as the 36th state. On November 8, 1864, Nevada participated in its first presidential election as a state and supported the incumbent president.

The following table shows the persons who were elected and served as presidents and vice presidents of the United States since Nevada was admitted to the Union, and indicates whether those persons carried Nevada.

PRESIDENT AND VICE PRESIDENT

	<i>Year Elected</i>
Lincoln and A. Johnson (R)*	1864
Grant and Colfax (R)*	1868
Grant and Wilson (R)*	1872
Hayes and Wheeler (R)*	1876
Garfield and Arthur (R)	1880
Cleveland and Hendricks (D)	1884
Harrison and Morton (R)*	1888
Cleveland and Stevenson (D)	1892
McKinley and Hobart (R)	1896
McKinley and T. Roosevelt (R)	1900
T. Roosevelt and Fairbanks (R)*	1904
Taft and Sherman (R)	1908
Wilson and Marshall (D)*	1912
Wilson and Marshall (D)*	1916
Harding and Coolidge (R)*	1920
Coolidge and Dawes (R)*	1924
Hoover and Curtis (R)*	1928
F. D. Roosevelt and Garner (D)*	1932
F. D. Roosevelt and Garner (D)*	1936
F. D. Roosevelt and Wallace (D)*	1940
F. D. Roosevelt and Truman (D)*	1944
Truman and Barkley (D)*	1948
Eisenhower and Nixon (R)*	1952
Eisenhower and Nixon (R)*	1956
Kennedy and L. B. Johnson (D)*	1960
L. B. Johnson and Humphrey (D)*	1964
Nixon and Agnew (R)*	1968
Nixon and Agnew (R)*	1972
Carter and Mondale (D)	1976
Reagan and G. H. W. Bush (R)*	1980
Reagan and G. H. W. Bush (R)*	1984
G. H. W. Bush and Quayle (R)*	1988
W. J. Clinton and Gore (D)*	1992
W. J. Clinton and Gore (D)*	1996
G. W. Bush and Cheney (R)*	2000
G. W. Bush and Cheney (R)*	2004
Obama and Biden (D)*	2008
Obama and Biden (D)*	2012

*Carried Nevada.

FEDERAL OFFICERS

Like all states, Nevada is entitled to two United States Senators. The first two United States Senators from Nevada were chosen for short terms, and their time was decided by lot. Senator Stewart drew a four-year term, while Senator Nye drew a two-year term.

Senators were chosen by the Nevada Legislature until the election of 1914, when popular election replaced this method of selection as a result of passage of the Seventeenth Amendment to the *Constitution of the United States*. However, at the general elections in 1908, 1910, and 1912, candidates for the State Legislature were bound by a ballot measure entitled "Choice for U.S. Senator," which essentially pledged any legislative candidate to elect that senatorial candidate who received the largest number of popular votes, regardless of party affiliations.

From 1864 until 1982, the State also had only one Representative in Congress. A second congressional seat was added in 1982, based on population figures from the 1980 census; a third and fourth congressional seat were added following the 2000 Census and 2010 Census, respectively.

A vacancy in the office of U.S. Senator is filled by appointment made by the governor. A vacancy in Congress can only be filled by election.

UNITED STATES SENATORS

<i>Name</i>	<i>From</i>	<i>To</i>
Nye, James W. (R)	February 1, 1865	March 3, 1873
Stewart, William M. (R)	February 1, 1865	March 3, 1875
Jones, John P. (R)	March 4, 1873	March 4, 1891
Sharon, William (R)	March 4, 1875	March 3, 1881
Fair, James G. (D)	March 4, 1881	March 3, 1887
Stewart, William M. (R)	March 4, 1887	March 4, 1893
Jones, John P. (S)	March 4, 1891	March 3, 1903
Stewart, William M. (S)	March 4, 1893	March 3, 1905
Newlands, Francis G. (D)	March 4, 1903	Died December 24, 1917
Nixon, George S. (R)	March 4, 1905	Died June 5, 1912
Massey, W. A. (R) (Appointed to succeed Senator Nixon.)	July 1, 1912	January 29, 1913
Pittman, Key (D)	March 4, 1913	Died November 10, 1940

<i>Name</i>	<i>From</i>	<i>To</i>
Henderson, Chas. B. (D) (Appointed to succeed Senator Newlands.)	January 12, 1918	March 3, 1921
Oddie, Tasker (R)	March 4, 1921	March 3, 1933
McCarran, Patrick A. (D)	March 4, 1933	Died September 28, 1954
Bunker, Berkeley L. (D) (Resigned after losing primary election to permit newly elected James Scrugham to gain U.S. Senate seniority. Appointed to succeed Senator Pittman until a duly elected replacement was elected.)	November 27, 1940	December 6, 1942
Scrugham, James G. (D)	December 7, 1942	Died June 23, 1945
Carville, Edward P. (D) (Appointed to succeed Senator Scrugham.)	July 25, 1945	January 3, 1947
Malone, Geo. W. (R)	January 3, 1947	January 3, 1959
Brown, Ernest S. (R) (Appointed to succeed Senator McCarran. Resigned after losing general election to permit newly-elected Alan Bible to gain U.S. Senate seniority.)	October 1, 1954	December 1, 1954
Bible, Alan (D) (Elected to fill unexpired term of Patrick A. McCarran, deceased. Resigned to permit newly elected Paul Laxalt to gain U.S. Senate seniority.)	December 2, 1954	December 17, 1974
Cannon, Howard W. (D)	January 3, 1959	January 3, 1983
Laxalt, Paul (R)	December 18, 1974	January 3, 1987
Hecht, M. J. (Chic) (R)	January 3, 1983	January 3, 1989
Reid, Harry M. (D)	January 3, 1987	Present
Bryan, Richard H. (D)	January 3, 1989	January 3, 2001
Ensign, John (R)	January 3, 2001	Resigned May 3, 2011
Heller, Dean (R) (Appointed to succeed Senator Ensign.)	May 3, 2011	Present

REPRESENTATIVES IN CONGRESS

<i>Name</i>	<i>From</i>	<i>To</i>
Worthington, Henry G.* (R)	October 31, 1864	March 3, 1865
Ashley, Delos R. (R)	March 4, 1865	March 3, 1869
Fitch, Thomas (R)	March 4, 1869	March 3, 1871
Kendall, Charles W. (D)	March 4, 1871	March 3, 1875
Woodburn, William (R)	March 4, 1875	March 3, 1877

<i>Name</i>	<i>From</i>	<i>To</i>
Wren, Thomas (R)	March 4, 1877	March 3, 1879
Daggett, Rollin M. (R)	March 4, 1879	March 3, 1881
Cassidy, George W. (D)	March 4, 1881	March 3, 1885
Woodburn, William (R)	March 4, 1885	March 3, 1889
Bartine, Horace F. (R)	March 4, 1889	March 3, 1893
Newlands, Francis G. [†] (D)	March 4, 1893	March 3, 1903
Van Duzer, Clarence D. [‡] (D)	March 4, 1903	March 3, 1907
Bartlett, George A. [§] (D)	March 4, 1907	March 3, 1911
Roberts, Edwin E. (R)	March 4, 1911	March 3, 1919
Evans, Charles R. (D)	March 4, 1919	March 3, 1921
Arentz, Samuel S. (R)	March 4, 1921	March 3, 1923
Richards, Charles L. (D)	March 4, 1923	March 3, 1925
Arentz, Samuel S. (R)	March 4, 1925	March 3, 1933
Scrugham, James G. (D) (Resigned to become a Senator.)	March 4, 1933	Resigned December 7, 1942
Sullivan, Maurice J. (D)	January 3, 1943	January 3, 1945
Bunker, Berkeley L. (D)	January 3, 1945	January 3, 1947
Russell, Charles H. (R)	January 3, 1947	January 3, 1949
Baring, Walter S. (D)	January 3, 1949	January 3, 1953
Young, Clarence Clifton (Cliff) (R)	January 3, 1953	January 3, 1957
Baring, Walter S. (D)	January 3, 1957	January 3, 1973
Towell, David G. (R)	January 3, 1973	January 3, 1975
Santini, James [¶] (D)	January 3, 1975	January 3, 1983
Reid, Harry M. (D), No. 1	January 3, 1983	January 3, 1987
Bilbray, James (D), No. 1	January 3, 1987	January 3, 1995
Ensign, John (R), No. 1	January 3, 1995	January 3, 1999
Vucanovich, Barbara F.** (R), No. 2	January 3, 1983	January 3, 1997
Gibbons, James A. (R), No. 2	January 3, 1997	Resigned December 31, 2006
Berkley, Shelley L. (D) No. 1	January 3, 1999	January 3, 2013
Porter, Jon ^{††} (R) No. 3	January 3, 2003	January 3, 2009
Heller, Dean ^{††} (R), No. 2	January 3, 2007	May 9, 2011
Titus, Dina (D), No. 3	January 3, 2009	January 3, 2011
Heck, Joe (R), No. 3	January 3, 2011	Present
Amodei, Mark ^{§§} (R), No. 2	September 3, 2011	Present
Titus, Dina (D), No. 1	January 3, 2013	Present

<i>Name</i>	<i>From</i>	<i>To</i>
Horsford, Steven [#] (D), No. 4	January 3, 2013	January 3, 2015
Hardy, Cresent (R), No. 4	January 3, 2015	Present

^{*}Worthington was elected to fill the unexpired portion of the 38th Congress ending in March 1865. Since he served in the later months of that session, he was not eligible for the 39th Session except by reelection. Republicans chose Ashley for nominee after a notable contest. From March 4, 1865, to Ashley's election, Nevada had no representative in Congress.

[†]Newlands may have run as a Silver Democrat for some elections.

[‡]Van Duzer may have run as a Silver Democrat for some elections.

[§]Bartlett may have run as a Silver Democrat for some elections.

[#]The 1980 Census provided Nevada with an entitlement of two members of the House of Representatives.

^{**}First woman elected from Nevada to the House of Representatives.

^{††}The 2000 Census provided Nevada with an entitlement of a third member of the House of Representatives.

^{†††}Replaced Ensign.

^{§§}Replaced Heller.

^{††††}The 2010 Census provided Nevada with an entitlement of a fourth member of the House of Representatives.

THE STATE EXECUTIVE BRANCH

Territorial Officers

Under Nevada's Organic Act, officers for the Territory of Nevada were appointed rather than elected. The key positions in the Executive and Judicial Branches were appointments made by the President of the United States. The Territorial Governor, in turn, made additional appointments—some terminating with the first session of the Legislative Assembly, others by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council. The Territorial Governor called for the first elections and established the first apportionment of the Territorial Legislature. Copies of proceedings and laws enacted by the Territorial Legislature were transmitted to the President and Congress.

<i>Name</i>	<i>Official Position</i>
APPOINTED IN 1861	
Nye, James W.	Governor
Clemens, Orion	Secretary of Territory
Bunker, Benjamin B.	Attorney General
Childs, Perry G.*	Territorial Auditor
Kinkead, John H.*	Territorial Treasurer
North, John W.†	Surveyor-General
Cradlebaugh, John*	Delegate to Congress

<i>Name</i>	<i>Official Position</i>
CHANGES IN 1862	
Mott, Gordon N.*	Delegate to Congress
White, Asa F.*	Superintendent of Public Instruction
Edwards, Theodore D.	Attorney General
CHANGES IN 1864	
Wasson, Warren H.	Marshal
Ross, William W.‡	Territorial Auditor

*Elected, not appointed.

‡Position eliminated in 1862.

‡Appointed by Governor Nye.

Officers After Statehood

The *Nevada Constitution* provides, in Article 5, that the “supreme executive power of the state shall be vested in a chief magistrate,” the Governor. Article 5 also provides for the popular election of a Lieutenant Governor, Secretary of State, Treasurer, Controller, and Attorney General. At various times in our history, the *Constitution* also required the direct election of a state printer (or superintendent of state printing), inspector of mines, surveyor general, superintendent of public instruction, and state mineralogist. In addition to legislative and judicial officers, other state offices include university regents and members of the State Board of Education.

The first state officers assumed their positions on December 5, 1864, their terms extending to the first Tuesday after the first Monday in January of 1867. The time of inauguration to new terms is the first Monday in January following the elections. Terms of State officers are four years, except for justices of the Supreme Court (six years), university regents (six years), and State Assemblymen (two years).

Election to the office of Governor is limited by constitutional amendment such that no person may be elected more than twice. At the general election of 1996, voters imposed term limits on the other five constitutional officers to two terms as well. Members of the State Board of Education are already limited to three terms.

All State elective offices, except that of Governor, can be filled by appointment in case of vacancy. A vacancy in the governorship is filled by succession as follows: Lieutenant Governor, Senate President Pro Tempore, Speaker of the Assembly, and Secretary of State.

GOVERNORS—ELECTED OR ACTING

<i>Name</i>	<i>Year</i>
James W. Nye (Acting Governor, October 31 to December 5, 1864.)	1864
Blasdel, Henry Goode (R)	1864-1867
Blasdel, Henry Goode* (R)	1867-1871
Bradley, Lewis Rice (D)	1871-1875
Bradley, Lewis Rice [†] (D)	1875-1879
Kinkead, John H. (R)	1879-1883
Adams, Jewett W. (D)	1883-1887
Stevenson, Charles C. (R) (Disability certificate September 1, 1890, died September 21, 1890.)	1887-1890
Bell, Frank [‡] (R) (Acting Governor, September 1, 1890, to January 5, 1891.)	1890-1891
Colcord, Roswell K. (R)	1891-1895
Jones, John E. (S) (Died April 10, 1896.)	1895-1896
Sadler, Reinhold [‡] (S) (Acting Governor April 10, 1896, to January 2, 1899.)	1896-1899
Sadler, Reinhold (S)	1899-1903
Sparks, John (S-D)	1903-1907
Sparks, John (S-D) (Died May 22, 1908.)	1907-1908
Dickerson, Denver S. [‡] (S-D) (Acting Governor May 22, 1908, to January 2, 1911.)	1908-1911
Oddie, Tasker L. (R)	1911-1915
Boyle, Emmet D. (D)	1915-1919
Boyle, Emmet D. (D)	1919-1923
Scrugham, James G. (D)	1923-1927
Balzar, Fred B. (R)	1927-1931
Balzar, Fred B. (R) (Died March 21, 1934.)	1931-1934
Griswold, Morley [‡] (R) (Acting Governor March 21, 1934, to January 7, 1935.)	1934-1935
Kirman, Richard, Sr. (D)	1935-1939
Carville, Edward P. (D)	1939-1943
Carville, Edward P. (D) (Resigned July 24, 1945, and was appointed to serve unexpired term of U.S. Senator Scrugham, deceased.)	1943-1945
Pittman, Vail M. [‡] (D) (Acting Governor July 24, 1945, to January 6, 1947.)	1945-1947
Pittman, Vail M. (D)	1947-1951
Russell, Charles H. (R)	1951-1955
Russell, Charles H. (R)	1955-1959
Sawyer, F. G. (Grant) (D)	1959-1963
Sawyer, F. G. (Grant) (D)	1963-1967
Laxalt, Paul (R)	1967-1971
O'Callaghan, D. N. (Mike) (D)	1971-1975

<i>Name</i>	<i>Year</i>
O'Callaghan, D. N. (Mike) (D)	1975-1979
List, Robert (R)	1979-1983
Bryan, Richard H. (D)	1983-1987
Bryan, Richard H [§] (D)	1987-1989
Miller, Robert J. (Bob) [‡] (D) (Acting Governor, January 3, 1989, to January 7, 1991.)	1989-1991
Miller, Robert J. (Bob) (D)	1991-1995
Miller, Robert J. (Bob) (D)	1995-1999
Guinn, Kenny C. (R)	1999-2003
Guinn, Kenny C. (R)	2003-2007
Gibbons, Jim (R)	2007-2011
Sandoval, Brian (R)	2011-2015
Sandoval, Brian (R)	2015-present

*Granted an eight-month leave of absence by the State Legislature, March 3, 1869. (Senate Joint Resolution No. 23.) Lieutenant Governor James S. Slingerland served as Acting Governor during absence of Governor Blasdel.

[†]On January 11, 1875, Governor Bradley informed the State Legislature that he would be absent from the State due to health problems. Lieutenant Governor Jewett Adams served as Acting Governor until May. An Attorney General's opinion rendered on May 10, 1875, argued that the *State Constitution* gave the Lieutenant Governor full authority to act as Governor.

[‡]Became Acting Governor on a permanent basis by virtue of his office as Lieutenant Governor.

[§]Resigned as Governor January 3, 1989, to assume seat elected to in U.S. Senate.

LIEUTENANT GOVERNORS

<i>Name</i>	<i>Year</i>
Crosman, John S. (R)	1864-1867
Slingerland, James S. (R)	1867-1871
Denver, Frank (D)	1871-1875
Adams, Jewett W. (D)	1875-1879
Adams, Jewett W. (D)	1879-1883
Laughton, Charles E. (R)	1883-1887
Davis, Henry C. (R) (Died August 22, 1889.)	1887-1889
Chubbuck, Samual W. (R) (Appointed September 9, 1889, resigned November 30, 1889.)	1889-1889
Bell, Frank* (R) (Appointed November 30, 1889, to January 5, 1891.)	1889-1891
Poujade, Joseph (R)	1891-1895
Sadler, Reinhold* (S)	1895-1899
Judge, James R. (S)	1899-1903
Allen, Lemuel (S-D)	1903-1907
Dickerson, Denver S. (S-D)	1907-1911
Ross, Gilbert C. (D)	1911-1915

<i>Name</i>	<i>Year</i>
Sullivan, Maurice J. (D)	1915-1919
Sullivan, Maurice J. (D)	1919-1923
Sullivan, Maurice J. (D)	1923-1927
Griswold, Morley (R)	1927-1931
Griswold, Morley* (R)	1931-1935
Alward, Fred S. (D)	1935-1939
Sullivan, Maurice J. (D)	1939-1943
Pittman, Vail M.* (D)	1943-1947
Jones, Clifford A. (Cliff) (D)	1947-1951
Jones, Clifford A. (Cliff) (D)	1951-1955
Bell, Rex (R)	1955-1959
Bell, Rex (R) (Died July 4, 1962.)	1959-1962
Frazier, Maude [†] (D) (Appointed July 13, 1962, to January 7, 1963.)	1962-1963
Laxalt, Paul (R)	1963-1967
Fike, Ed (R)	1967-1971
Reid, Harry M. (D)	1971-1975
Rose, Robert (D)	1975-1979
Leavitt, Myron (D)	1979-1983
Cashell, Robert A. [‡] (D)	1983-1987
Miller, Robert J. (Bob)* (D)	1987-1991
Wagner, Sue [§] (R)	1991-1995
Hammargren, Lonnie (R)	1995-1999
Hunt, Lorraine (R)	1999-2003
Hunt, Lorraine (R)	2003-2007
Krolicki, Brian (R)	2007-2011
Krolicki, Brian (R)	2011-2015
Hutchison, Mark A. (R)	2015-present

*Became Acting Governor. See list of Governors.

[†]First woman to hold the office of Lieutenant Governor.

[‡]Elected as a Democrat. Changed party affiliation to Republican on August 12, 1983.

[§]First woman elected to the office of Lieutenant Governor.

SECRETARIES OF STATE

<i>Name</i>	<i>Year</i>
Noteware, Chauncey N. (R)	1864-1867
Noteware, Chauncey N. (R)	1867-1871
Minor, James D. (R)	1871-1875
Minor, James D. (R)	1875-1879

<i>Name</i>	<i>Year</i>
Babcock, Jasper (R)	1879-1883
Dormer, John M. (R)	1883-1887
Dormer, John M. (R)	1887-1891
Grey, Oscar H. (R)	1891-1895
Howell, Eugene (S)	1895-1899
Howell, Eugene (S)	1899-1903
Douglass, William (Gib) (R)	1903-1907
Douglass, William (Gib) (R)	1907-1911
Brodigan, George (D)	1911-1915
Brodigan, George (D)	1915-1919
Brodigan, George (D)	1919-1923
Greathouse, William G. (D)	1923-1927
Greathouse, William G. (D)	1927-1931
Greathouse, William G. (D)	1931-1935
Greathouse, William G. (D) (Died March 15, 1937.)	1935-1937
McEachin, Malcolm (D) (Appointed March 17, 1937, to January 7, 1963.)	1937-1939
McEachin, Malcolm (D)	1939-1943
McEachin, Malcolm (D)	1943-1947
Koontz, John (D)	1947-1951
Koontz, John (D)	1951-1955
Koontz, John (D)	1955-1959
Koontz, John (D)	1959-1963
Koontz, John (D)	1963-1967
Koontz, John (D)	1967-1971
Koontz, John ⁺ (D)	1971-1973
Swackhamer, William D. ⁺ (D)	1973-1975
Swackhamer, William D. (D)	1975-1979
Swackhamer, William D. (D)	1979-1983
Swackhamer, William D. (D)	1983-1987
Del Papa, Frankie Sue [‡] (D)	1987-1991
Lau, Cheryl (R)	1991-1995
Heller, Dean (R)	1995-1999
Heller, Dean (R)	1999-2003
Heller, Dean (R)	2003-2007
Miller, Ross (D)	2007-2011

<i>Name</i>	<i>Year</i>
Miller, Ross (D)	2011-2015
Cegavske, Barbara K. (R)	2015-present

*Resigned January 10, 1973.

†Appointed January 11, 1973.

*First woman elected to the office of Secretary of State.

STATE TREASURERS

<i>Name</i>	<i>Year</i>
Rhoades, Eben (R)	1864-1867
Rhoades, Eben* (R) (Died September 9, 1869.)	1867-1869
Batterman, Christopher C. (R) (Appointed September 15, 1869, to January 2, 1871.)	1869-1871
Schooling, Jerry (D)	1871-1875
Schooling, Jerry (D)	1875-1879
Crockett, Lyman L. (R)	1879-1883
Tufly, George (R)	1883-1887
Tufly, George (R) (Resigned August 13, 1890.)	1887-1890
Richard, George W. (R) (Appointed August 13, 1890, to January 1891.)	1890-1891
Egan, John F. (R) (Died April 14, 1894.)	1891-1894
Richard, George W. (R) (Appointed April 17, 1894, to January 7, 1895.)	1894-1895
Westerfield, William J. (S)	1895-1899
Ryan, David M. (S-D)	1899-1903
Ryan, David M. (S-D)	1903-1907
Ryan, David M. (S-D)	1907-1911
McMillan, William (R)	1911-1915
Malley, Edward C. (Ed) (D)	1915-1919
Malley, Edward C. (Ed) (D)	1919-1923
Malley, Edward C. (Ed) (D) (Elected 1926, disqualified May 1927 under bonding provision.)	1923-1927
Russell, George B. (R) (Appointed May 18, 1927, to January 7, 1929.)	1927-1929
Russell, George B. (R) (Elected 1928 to serve unexpired term.)	1929-1931
Russell, George B. (R)	1931-1935
Franks, Dan W. (D)	1935-1939
Franks, Dan W. (D)	1939-1943
Franks, Dan W. (D)	1943-1947
Franks, Dan W. (D)	1947-1951
Franks, Dan W. (D)	1951-1955
Franks, Dan W. (D)	1955-1959

<i>Name</i>	<i>Year</i>
Franks, Dan W. (D)	1959-1963
Mirabelli, Michael (D)	1963-1967
Mirabelli, Michael (D)	1967-1971
Mirabelli, Michael (D)	1971-1975
Mirabelli, Michael (D)	1975-1979
Colton, Stanton (D)	1979-1983
Cafferata, Patricia D. [†] (R)	1983-1987
Santor, Kenneth F. (R)	1987-1991
Bob Seale (R)	1991-1995
Bob Seale (R)	1995-1999
Krolicki, Brian (R)	1999-2003
Krolicki, Brian (R)	2003-2007
Marshall, Kate (D)	2007-2011
Marshall, Kate (D)	2011-2015
Schwartz, Dan (R)	2015-present

*Committed suicide while in office.

[†]First woman elected to the office of State Treasurer.

STATE CONTROLLERS

<i>Name</i>	<i>Year</i>
Nightingill, Alanson W. (R)	1864-1867
Parkinson, William K. (R) (Died October 14, 1869.)	1867-1869
Doron, Lewis (R) (Appointed October 15, 1869, to January 2, 1871.)	1869-1871
Hobart, William W. (R)	1871-1875
Hobart, William W. (R)	1875-1879
Hallock, James F. (R)	1879-1883
Hallock, James F. (R)	1883-1887
Hallock, James F. (R)	1887-1891
Horton, Robert L. (R)	1891-1895
LaGrave, C. A. (S)	1895-1899
Davis, Sam P. (S-D)	1899-1903
Davis, Sam P. (S-D)	1903-1907
Eggers, Jacob (R)	1907-1911
Eggers, Jacob (R)	1911-1915
Cole, George A. (D)	1915-1919
Cole, George A. (D)	1919-1923
Cole, George A. (D)	1923-1927
Peterson, Edward C. (R)	1927-1931

<i>Name</i>	<i>Year</i>
Peterson, Edward C. (R)	1931-1935
Schmidt, Henry C. (D)	1935-1939
Schmidt, Henry C. (D)	1939-1943
Schmidt, Henry C. (D)	1943-1947
Donovan, Jerome P. (D)	1947-1951
Merialdo, Peter (R)	1951-1955
Merialdo, Peter (R)	1955-1959
Lee, Keith L. (D)	1959-1963
Lee, Keith L. (D)	1963-1967
McGowan, Wilson (R)	1967-1971
McGowan, Wilson (R)	1971-1975
McGowan, Wilson (R)	1975-1979
McGowan, Wilson (R)	1979-1983
Daines, Darrel R. (R)	1983-1987
Daines, Darrel R. (R)	1987-1991
Daines, Darrel R. (R)	1991-1995
Daines, Darrel R. (R)	1995-1999
Augustine, Kathy (R)	1999-2003
Augustine, Kathy* (R) (Died on July 11, 2006.)	2003-2006
Martin, Steve (R)	2006-2007
Wallin, Kim (D)	2007-2011
Wallin, Kim (D)	2011-2015
Knecht, Ron (R)	2015-present

*Impeached by the Nevada Assembly in November 2004. Kim Huys served as Acting State Controller from November 12, 2004, to December 4, 2004, while impeachment hearings were ongoing.

ATTORNEYS GENERAL

<i>Name</i>	<i>Year</i>
Nourse, George A. (R)	1864-1867
Clarke, Robert M. (R)	1867-1871
Buckner, Luther A. (D)	1871-1875
Kittrell, John R. (D)	1875-1879
Murphy, Michael A. (R)	1879-1883
Davenport, William H. (R)	1883-1887
Alexander, John F. (R)	1887-1891
Torreyson, James D. (R)	1891-1895
Beatty, Robert M. (S) (Died December 10, 1896.)	1895-1896

<i>Name</i>	<i>Year</i>
Judge, James R. (S) (Appointed December 21, 1896, to January 2, 1899.)	1896-1899
Jones, William D. (S) (Resigned January 15, 1901.)	1899-1901
Woodburn, William (S) (Appointed January 15, 1901, to January 5, 1903.)	1901-1903
Sweeney, James G. (S-D)	1903-1907
Stoddard, Richard C. (S-D)	1907-1911
Baker, Cleveland H. (D) (Died December 5, 1912.)	1911-1912
Thatcher, George B. (D) (Appointed December 6, 1912, until election following.)	1912-1915
Thatcher, George B.* (D)	1915-1919
Fowler, Leonard B. (D)	1919-1923
Diskin, Michael A. (D)	1923-1927
Diskin, Michael A. (D)	1927-1931
Mashburn, Gray (D)	1931-1935
Mashburn, Gray (D)	1935-1939
Mashburn, Gray (D)	1939-1943
Bible, Alan H. (D)	1943-1947
Bible, Alan H. (D)	1947-1951
Mathews, William T. (D)	1951-1955
Dickerson, Harvey (D)	1955-1959
Foley, Roger D. (D) (Resigned July 15, 1962.)	1959-1962
Springer, Charles E. (D) (Appointed July 16, 1962, to serve unexpired term.)	1962
Dickerson, Harvey (D)	1963-1967
Dickerson, Harvey (D)	1967-1971
List, Robert (R)	1971-1975
List, Robert (R)	1975-1979
Bryan, Richard H. (D)	1979-1983
McKay, Brian (R)	1983-1987
McKay, Brian (R)	1987-1991
Del Papa, Frankie Sue [†] (D)	1991-1995
Del Papa, Frankie Sue [†] (D)	1995-2003
Del Papa, Frankie Sue [†] (D)	1999-2003
Sandoval, Brian [‡] (R)	2003-2005
Chanos, George J. [§]	2005-2007
Cortez Masto, Catherine Marie (D)	2007-2011
Cortez Masto, Catherine Marie (D)	2011-2015
Laxalt, Adam Paul (R)	2015-present

*Appointed by Lieutenant and Acting Governor Gilbert Ross.

[†]First woman elected to the office of Attorney General.

[‡]Resigned October 2005 and appointed to federal judgeship.

[§]Appointed by the Governor to fill Sandoval's unexpired term.

STATE PRINTERS*

<i>Name</i>	<i>Year</i>
Church, John (R) [†]	1865-1867
Eckley, Joseph E. (R)	1867-1869
Mighels, Henry R. (R)	1869-1871
Perkins, Charles L. (D)	1871-1873
Putnam, Charles A. V. (R)	1873-1875
Hill, John J. (D) [‡]	1875-1879

**Statutes of Nevada 1864-1865*, Chapter VII, p. 90, creates office of State Printer with two-year terms. *Statutes of Nevada 1877*, Chapter XCV, p. 161, abolishes the office, effective January 1879. State printing was done by contract in 1879 and 1880.

[†]Elected by the 1864 Legislature as provided by law.

[‡]*Statutes of Nevada 1873*, Chapter LX, p. 52, changes term of State Printer to four years.

SUPERINTENDENTS OF STATE PRINTING*

<i>Name</i>	<i>Year</i>
Madrill, John W. [†] (R)	1881-1883
Harlow, Joseph C. (R)	1883-1887
Harlow, Joseph C. (R)	1887-1891
Eckley, Joseph E. (R)	1891-1895
McCarthy, Joseph G. (S)	1895-1899
Maute, Andrew (S-D)	1899-1903
Maute, Andrew (S-D)	1903-1907
McCarthy, Joseph G. (R)	1907-1911
Farnsworth, Joe (D)	1911-1915
Farnsworth, Joe (D)	1915-1919
Farnsworth, Joe (D)	1919-1923
Farnsworth, Joe (D)	1923-1927
Farnsworth, Joe (D)	1927-1931
Farnsworth, Joe (D)	1931-1935
Farnsworth, Joe (D)	1935-1939
Farnsworth, Joe (D)	1939-1943
McCarthy, John A. (D)	1943-1947
McCarthy, John A. (D)	1947-1951
McCarthy, John A. (D)	1951-1955
McCarthy, John A. (D)	1955-1959
McCarthy, John A. (D)	1959-1963
McCarthy, John A. (D)	1963-1967
McCarthy, John A. (D) (Died July 22, 1969.)	1967-1969

<i>Name</i>	<i>Year</i>
Carter, Tom [‡] (Appointed August 25, 1969.)	1969-1971
Brady, Pat (Appointed February 1, 1971.)	1971-1976
Bailey, Donald (Appointed October 30, 1976.)	1976-2003 [§]

**Statutes of Nevada 1879*, Chapter CXXIX, p. 139, created the office of Superintendent of State Printing.

[†]Appointed by Board of State Printing Commissioners to hold office for two years. Thereafter, the Superintendent of State Printing was elected by the people.

[‡]*Statutes of Nevada 1969*, Chapter 677, abolished the office of Superintendent of State Printing, created the Department of State Printing, and provided for the appointment of a superintendent by the Governor.

[§]*Statutes of Nevada 2003* moved State Printing under auspices of Legislative Counsel Bureau.

INSPECTORS OF MINES*

<i>Name</i>	<i>Year</i>
Stuart, Edwin E. (D) (Appointed April 1, 1909, removed January 10, 1910.)	1909-1910
Ryan, Edward (D) (Appointed January 18, 1910, to January 2, 1911.)	1910-1911
Ryan, Edward [†] (D)	1911-1915
Stinson, Andy J. (R)	1915-1919
Stinson, Andy J. (R)	1919-1923
Stinson, Andy J. (R)	1923-1927
Stinson, Andy J. (R)	1927-1931
Stinson, Andy J. (R)	1931-1935
Murphy, Matt (D)	1935-1939
Murphy, Matt (D)	1939-1943
Murphy, Matt (D)	1943-1947
Murphy, Matt (D) (Died March 5, 1947.)	1947
Bernard, Arthur E. (D) (Appointed March 10, 1947, to January 1, 1951.)	1947-1951
Gallagher, Mervin J. (D)	1951-1955
Gallagher, Mervin J. (D)	1955-1959
Gallagher, Mervin J. (D)	1959-1963
Gallagher, Mervin J. (D)	1963-1967
Gallagher, Mervin J. (D) (Died September 28, 1970.)	1967-1970
Springer, Harry E. (D)	1971-1974 [‡]

**Statutes of Nevada 1909*, Chapter CLXXVI, p. 218, creates the office of Inspector of Mines with two-year terms.

[†]Elected to a two-year term. *Statutes of Nevada 1911*, Chapter 17, p.17, changes the term of Inspector of Mines to four years.

[‡]*Statutes of Nevada 1973*, Chapter 728 abolishes the office of Inspector of Mines.

SURVEYORS GENERAL*

<i>Name</i>	<i>Year</i>
Marlette, Seneca H. (R)	1864-1867
Marlette, Seneca H. [†] (R)	1867-1869

<i>Name</i>	<i>Year</i>
Day, John (R) (Elected to serve unexpired term.)	1869-1871
Day, John (R)	1871-1875
Day, John (R)	1875-1879
Hatch, Andrew J. (R)	1879-1883
Preble, Charles S. (R)	1883-1887
Jones, John E. (R)	1887-1891
Jones, John E. (R)	1891-1895
Pratt, A. C. (S)	1895-1899
Kelley, Edward D. (S-D)	1899-1903
Kelley, Edward D. (S-D)	1903-1907
Kelley, Edward D. (S-D) (Died March 18, 1908.)	1907-1908
Deady, Charles L. (S-D) (Appointed February 25, 1908, to January 4, 1909.)	1908-1909
Deady, Charles L. (D) (Elected 1908 to serve unexpired term.)	1909-1911
Deady, Charles L. (D)	1911-1915
Deady, Charles L. (D)	1915-1919
Deady, Charles L. (D)	1919-1923
Deady, Charles L. (D)	1923-1927
Watt, George (R) (Died August 1, 1928.)	1927-1928
Lotz, Thomas A. (R) (Appointed August 4, 1928, to January 7, 1929.)	1928-1929
Lotz, Thomas A. (R) (Elected 1928 to serve unexpired term.)	1929-1931
Lotz, Thomas A. (R)	1931-1935
Staley, Ray F. (D)	1935-1939
McLeod, Wayne (D)	1939-1943
McLeod, Wayne (D)	1943-1947
McLeod, Wayne (D)	1947-1951
Ferrari, Louis (D)	1951-1955
Ferrari, Louis (D)	1955-1957

**Statutes of Nevada 1957*, Chapter 364, p. 646, abolishes the office of Surveyor General effective July 1, 1957.

[†]Marlette was reelected in 1866. However, he failed to qualify, so the Governor appointed him to the position until the next general election in 1868.

SUPERINTENDENTS OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION*

<i>Name</i>	<i>Year</i>
White, Asa F. (R)	1864-1867
Fisher, A. N. (R)	1867-1871
Fisher, A. N. (R)	1871-1875
Kelly, Samuel P. (R)	1875-1879
Sessions, David R. (D)	1879-1883

<i>Name</i>	<i>Year</i>
Young, Charles S. (R)	1883-1887
Dovey, W. C. (R)	1887-1891
Cutting, Henry C. (S)	1891-1895
Ring, Orvis (R)	1895-1899
Ring, Orvis (R)	1899-1903
Ring, Orvis (R)	1903-1907
Ring, Orvis (R) (Died September 13, 1910.)	1907-1910
Bray, John Edwards (D) (Appointed September 20, 1910, to January 2, 1911.)	1910-1911
Bray, John Edwards (D)	1911-1915
Bray, John Edwards (D)	1915-1919
Hunting, W. J. [†]	1919-1923
Hunting, W. J.	1923-1927
Anderson, Walter W.	1927-1930
Anderson, Walter W.	1930-1931
Smith, Chauncey W. (Died December 4, 1937.)	1935-1937
Bray, Mildred N. (Appointed December 8, 1937, to January 2, 1939.)	1937-1939
Bray, Mildred N.	1939-1943
Bray, Mildred N.	1943-1947
Bray, Mildred N.	1947-1951
Duncan, Glenn A.	1951-1955
Duncan, Glenn A. (Died June 27, 1956.)	1955-1956
Stetler, Byron F. (Appointed July 11, 1956, to January 7, 1957.)	1956-1957
Stetler, Byron F. (Elected 1956 to serve unexpired term.)	1957-1959

*Superintendent of Public Instruction was made an appointive office at the 1956 General Election. Method of appointment in *Statutes of Nevada 1957*, Chapter 49, p. 73.

[†]*Statutes of Nevada 1917*, Chapter 197, p. 385, made all school offices nonpartisan.

STATE MINERALOGISTS*

<i>Name</i>	<i>Year</i>
Stretch, Richard H. [†]	1864-1865
White, Asa F. [†]	1866-1870
Whitehill, Henry R. (R)	1871-1874
Whitehill, Henry R. (R)	1875-1878

**Statutes of Nevada 1866*, Chapter CVI, p. 206, creates the appointive office of State Mineralogist. *Statutes of Nevada 1869*, Chapter LI, p. 97, makes the office elective. *Statutes of Nevada 1877*, Chapter XIX, p. 59, abolishes the office of State Mineralogist.

[†]Appointed.