



Alaska Office of Lt. Governor Statutory Duties

As of June 2, 2016

Summary

The Alaska lieutenant governor has eleven (11) statutory duties. These duties include supervising the division of elections and its related functions and duties, and working on state history, regulations, workforce, and supervising citizen ballot initiatives.

Citations

Statutory duties of Lieutenant Governor as prescribed by Alaska Statutes (A.S.):

1. Calls each house to order on legislative organization day, swear in new members, & call for election of a temporary president and speaker (AS 24.05.160).
2. Shall countersign with the governor on notes for money borrowed in anticipation of revenue (AS 43.08.050).
3. Shall be a member of the Alaska Workforce Investment Board (AS 23.15.550).
4. Shall supervise the Division of Elections (AS 44.19.020).
5. Shall appoint notaries public (AS 44.19.020).
6. Shall review and file regulations as prescribed by law (AS 44.19.020).
7. Shall regulate use of the State Seal (AS 44.19.022).
8. Shall be a member of the Alaska Historical Commission (AS 41.35.310).
9. Shall supervise the certification process for citizen ballot initiatives and referenda (AS 44.19.020).
10. Shall conduct statewide hearings on certified ballot initiatives (AS 44.19.020).
11. Shall publish the Alaska Administrative Code and maintain the Online Public Notice System (AS 44.19.020).

The Alaska **Constitution** states that the Lieutenant Governor:

1. Shall be gubernatorial successor (AK Constitution Art III, sec. 7-15).

As of September of 2016, the lieutenant governor also is assigned the following:

1. Co-Chair of the Denali Commission per the Governor's designation;
2. Serves as Alaska Fisheries Advisor to the Governor;

3. Co-Chair of the Transboundary Waters Working Group per the Governor's Memo of Understanding with Canada; and
4. Co-Chair of the Criminal Justice Working Group.

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