



Chart of Gubernatorial Successions – June 2018 by the National Lt. Governors Association ©2018

YEAR	STATE	Name of Successor	Circumstances
1980	CT	William O' Neill	Succeeded upon resignation of Gov Ella Grasso for health reasons.
1982-3	NH	Sen. Pres. Vesta Roy	Served as acting gov of the state from 12-29-82 until 1-6-83 upon the death of Gov Hugh Gallen shortly before the inauguration of Gov-elect John H. Sununu
1988	AZ	Rose Mofford	Succeeded from office of secretary of state upon indictment of governor.
1989	NV	Robert Miller	Succeeded to acting governor upon election of Gov Bryan to US Senate. In Nevada, succession under these circumstances is to Acting Governor and s/he is referenced with that title.
1991	VT	Howard Dean	Succeeded upon death of Gov Snelling.
1992	AR	Jim Guy Tucker	Succeeded upon election of Gov Clinton as President.
1993	SD	Walter Miller	Succeeded upon death of Gov Mickelson.
1993	AL	Jim Folsom	Succeeded upon a felony conviction of the governor.
1993	DE	Dale Wolf	Succeeded for 3-weeks upon resignation of Gov Castle to take his seat in Congress on 1-1-93.
1996	AR	Mike Huckabee	Succeeded upon indictment of Gov Jim Guy Tucker.
1997	MA	Paul Cellucci	Succeeded upon resignation of Gov Weld to seek ambassadorial appointment.
1997	AZ	Jane Dee Hull	Succeeded from office of secretary of state.
1998	FL	Buddy MacKay	Succeeded upon death of Gov Chiles.
2000	MO	Roger Wilson	Succeeded upon death of Gov Mel Carnahan.
2000	TX	Rick Perry	Succeeded upon election of Gov George W. Bush as President.
2001	DE	Ruth Ann Minner	Succeeded upon resignation of Gov Tom Carper to take his US Senate on 1-3-01. Gov Minner was inaugurated as elected governor 1-16-01.
2001	WI	Scott McCallum	Succeeded upon swearing in of Gov Tommy Thompson as Secretary of HHS.
2001	NJ	Donald T. DiFrancesco	Succeeded to acting governor upon swearing in of Gov Christy Todd Whitman as EPA Director. He remained President of the Senate.
2001	MA	Jane Swift	Succeeded upon resignation of Gov Paul Cellucci to become Ambassador to Canada
2001	PA	Mark Schweiker	Succeeded upon resignation of Gov Tom Ridge to become Director of Homeland Security
2002	NJ	Robert Bennett and Richard Codey	Each served 3 days until inauguration of elected governor



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Late '02- Early '03	NJ		Five Governors in A Day
2003	AS	Togiola Tulafono	Succeeded upon death of the governor
2003	IN	Frank O' Bannon	Succeeded upon death of the governor
2003	UT	Olene Walker	Succeeded upon resignation of Gov Leavitt to become US HHS Director
2004	CT	M. Jodi Rell	Succeeded upon resignation of governor
2004	NJ	Sen. Pres. Richard Codey	Succeeded upon resignation of Gov Jim McGreevy
2005	NE	Dave Heineman	Succeeded upon resignation of Gov Mike Johanns to become US Ag Secretary
2006	ID	Jim Risch	Succeeded upon resignation of Gov Dirk Kempthorne to become US Interior Secretary (Risch then ran for and won re-election back to the office of lieutenant governor)
2008	NY	David Paterson	Succeeded upon resignation of Gov Eliot Spitzer 3-17-08
2009	AK	Sean Parnell	Succeeded upon resignation of Gov Sarah Palin 7-26-09
2009	AZ	Sec of State Jan Brewer	Succeeded upon resignation of Gov Janet Napolitano 1-21-09
2009	IL	Pat Quinn	Succeeded upon removal of Gov Rod Blagojevich from office 1-29-09
2009	KS	Mark Parkinson	Succeeded upon resignation of Gov Kathleen Sebelius 4-28-09
2009	UT	Gary Herbert	Succeeded upon resignation of Gov Jon Huntsman 8-11-09
2010	ND	Jack Dalrymple	Succeeded upon resignation of Gov John Hoeven.
2010	WV	Sen. Pres. Earl Ray Tomblin	Succeeded upon resignation of Gov Joseph Manchin III
2015	OR	Sec of State Kate Brown	Succeeded upon resignation of John Kitzhaber.
2017	SC	Henry McMaster	Succeeded upon resignation of Nikki Haley who became U.S. Amb to the U.N.
2017	AL	Kay Ivey	Succeeded upon resignation of Robert Bentley.
2017	IA	Kim Reynolds	Succeeded upon resignation of Terry Branstad to become U.S. Amb to China
2018	KS	Jeff Colyer	Succeeded upon resignation of Sam Brownback to become an Ambassador
2018	MO	Mike Parson	Succeeded upon resignation of Eric Greitens