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My Fellow Georgians:

I am pleased to present the 1983-84 edition of the Georgia Official and Statistical Register, a biennial publication of the Office of Secretary of State. Under authority of Section 45-13-47 of the Georgia Laws, the Department of Archives and History is to compile every two years an Official and Statistical Register, containing brief sketches of elected and certain appointed State officials and members of Congress from Georgia, rosters of State and county officials, lists of State institutions and official boards, State and county population and election statistics, and "miscellaneous statistics bearing upon related matters of current interest or likely to be of value to the future historian." The Secretary of State is authorized to print the Register and distribute copies to the General Assembly, State departments, Georgia high schools, and units of the University System.

Readers of this edition of the Georgia Official and Statistical Register will note some significant changes in format and content from the 1981-82 edition. Election results, except for special elections, have been reproduced on microfiche and appear as an insert on the back cover. The cost and space savings realized by this use of microfiche have enabled us to include much historical information and, generally, to provide Georgians with a more comprehensive publication about Georgia and its government.

This Register is an essential reference work for anyone interested in the operation of Georgia State government. It is also one of the many ways in which my office fulfills its responsibility of disseminating information concerning our State.

Most sincerely,

Max Cleland
Secretary of State
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Chapter I

CONSTITUTION

1983
CONSTITUTION
OF THE
STATE OF GEORGIA

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NOTE: The State of Georgia has had ten state Constitutions, which took effect in the following years: 1777, 1789, 1798, 1861, 1865, 1868, 1877, 1945, 1976, 1983.

CONSTITUTION OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA

PREAMBLE

To perpetuate the principles of free government, insure justice to all, preserve peace, promote the interest and happiness of the citizen and of the family, and transmit to posterity the enjoyment of liberty, we the people of Georgia, relying upon the protection and guidance of Almighty God, do ordain and establish this Constitution.

ARTICLE I.
BILL OF RIGHTS

SECTION I.
RIGHTS OF PERSONS

Paragraph I. Life, liberty, and property. No person shall be deprived of life, liberty, or property except by due process of law.

Paragraph II. Protection to person and property; equal protection. Protection to person and property is the paramount duty of government and shall be impartial and complete. No person shall be denied the equal protection of the laws.

Paragraph III. Freedom of conscience. Each person has the natural and inalienable right to worship God, each according to the dictates of that person's own conscience; and no human authority should, in any case, control or interfere with such right of conscience.

Paragraph IV. Religious opinions; freedom of religion. No inhabitant of this state shall be molested in person or property or be prohibited from holding any public office or trust on account of religious opinions; but the right of freedom of religion shall not be so construed as to excuse acts of licentiousness or justify practices inconsistent with the peace and safety of the state.

Paragraph V. Freedom of speech and of the press guaranteed. No law shall be passed to curtail or restrain the freedom of speech or of the press. Every person may speak, write, and publish sentiments on all subjects but shall be responsible for the abuse of that liberty.

Paragraph VI. Libel. In all civil or criminal actions for libel, the truth may be given in evidence; and, if it shall appear to the trier of fact that the matter charged as libelous is true, the party shall be discharged.

Paragraph VII. Citizens, protection of. All citizens of the United States, resident in this state, are hereby declared citizens of this state; and it shall be the duty of the General Assembly to enact such laws as will protect them in the full enjoyment of the rights, privileges, and immunities due to such citizenship.

Paragraph VIII. Arms, right to keep and bear. The right of the people to keep and bear arms shall not be infringed, but the General Assembly shall have power to prescribe the manner in which arms may be borne.

Paragraph IX. Right to assemble and petition. The people have the right to assemble peaceably for their common good and to apply by petition or remonstrance to those vested with the powers of government for redress of grievances.

Paragraph X. Bill of attainder; ex post facto laws; and retroactive laws. No bill of attainder, ex post facto law, retroactive
law, or laws impairing the obligation of contract or making irrevocable grant of special privileges or immunities shall be passed.

Paragraph XI. Right to trial by jury; number of jurors; selection and compensation of jurors. (a) The right to trial by jury shall remain inviolate, except that the court shall render judgment without the verdict of a jury in all civil cases where no issue of fact is involved and where a jury is not demanded in writing by either party. In criminal cases, the defendant shall have a public and speedy trial by an impartial jury; and the jury shall be the judges of the law and the facts.

(b) A trial jury shall consist of 12 persons; but the General Assembly may prescribe any number, not less than six, to constitute a trial jury in courts of limited jurisdiction and in superior courts in misdemeanor cases.

(c) The General Assembly shall provide by law for the selection and compensation of persons to serve as grand jurors and trial jurors.

Paragraph XII. Right to the courts. No person shall be deprived of the right to prosecute or defend, either in person or by an attorney, that person's own cause in any of the courts of this state.

Paragraph XIII. Searches, seizures, and warrants. The right of the people to be secure in their persons, houses, papers, and effects against unreasonable searches and seizures shall not be violated; and no warrant shall issue except upon probable cause supported by oath or affirmation particularly describing the place or places to be searched and the persons or things to be seized.

Paragraph XIV. Benefit of counsel; accusation; list of witnesses; compulsory process. Every person charged with an offense against the laws of this state shall have the privilege and benefit of counsel; shall be furnished with a copy of the accusation or indictment and, on demand, with a list of the witnesses on whose testimony such charge is founded; shall have compulsory process to obtain the testimony of that person's own witnesses; and shall be confronted with the witnesses testifying against such person.

Paragraph XV. Habeas corpus. The writ of habeas corpus shall not be suspended unless, in case of rebellion or invasion, the public safety may require it.

Paragraph XVI. Self-incrimination. No person shall be compelled to give testimony tending in any manner to be self-incriminating.

Paragraph XVII. Bail; fines; punishment; arrest, abuse of prisoners. Excessive bail shall not be required, nor excessive fines imposed, nor cruel and unusual punishments inflicted; nor shall any person be abused in being arrested, while under arrest, or in prison.

Paragraph XVIII. Jeopardy of life or liberty more than once forbidden. No person shall be put in jeopardy of life or liberty more than once for the same offense except when a new trial has been granted after conviction or in case of mistrial.

Paragraph XIX. Treason. Treason against the State of Georgia shall consist of insurrection against the state, adhering to the state's enemies, or giving them aid and comfort. No person shall be convicted of treason except on the testimony of two witnesses to the same overt act or confession in open court.

Paragraph XX. Conviction, effect of. No conviction shall work corruption of blood or forfeiture of estate.

Paragraph XXI. Banishment and whipping as punishment for crime. Neither banishment beyond the limits of the state nor whipping shall be allowed as a punishment for crime.

Paragraph XXII. Involuntary servitude. There shall be no involuntary servitude within the State of Georgia except as a punishment for crime after legal conviction thereof or for contempt of court.

Paragraph XXIII. Imprisonment for debt. There shall be no imprisonment for debt.

Paragraph XXIV. Costs. No person shall be compelled to pay costs in any criminal case except after conviction on final trial.

Paragraph XXV. Status of the citizen. The social status of a citizen shall never be the subject of legislation.

Paragraph XXVI. Exemptions from levy and sale. The General Assembly shall protect by law from levy and sale by virtue of any process under the laws of this state a portion of the property of each person in an amount of not less than $1,600.00 and shall have authority to define to whom any such additional exemptions shall be allowed; to specify the amount of such exemptions; to provide for the manner of exempting such property and for the sale, alienation, and encumbrance thereof; and to provide for the waiver of said exemptions by the debtor.

Paragraph XXVII. Spouse's separate property. The separate property of each spouse shall remain the separate property of that spouse except as otherwise provided by law.

Paragraph XXVIII. Enumeration of rights not denial of others. The enumeration of rights herein contained as a part of this Constitution shall not be construed to deny to the people any inherent rights which they may have hitherto enjoyed.

SECTION II.
ORIGIN AND STRUCTURE OF GOVERNMENT

Paragraph I. Origin and foundation of government. All government, of right, originates with the people, is founded upon their will only, and is instituted solely for the good of the whole. Public officers are the trustees and servants of the people and are at all times amenable to them.

Paragraph II. Object of government. The people of this state shall determine the inherent right of regulating their internal government. Government is instituted for the protection, security, and benefit of the people; and at all times they have the right to alter or reform the same whenever the public good may require it.

Paragraph III. Separation of legislative, judicial, and executive powers. The legislative, judicial, and executive powers shall forever remain separate and distinct; and no person discharging the duties of one shall at the same time exercise the functions of either of the others except as herein provided.

Paragraph IV. Contempts. The power of the courts to punish for contempt shall be limited by legislative acts.

Paragraph V. What acts void. Legislative acts in violation of this Constitution or the Constitution of the United States are void, and the judiciary shall so declare them.

Paragraph VI. Superiority of civil authority. The civil authority shall be superior to the military.

Paragraph VII. Separation of church and state. No money shall ever be taken from the public treasury, directly or indirectly, in aid of any church, sect, cult, or religious denomination or of any sectarian institution.

Paragraph VIII. Lotteries. All lotteries, and the sale of lottery tickets, are hereby prohibited; and this prohibition shall be enforced by penal laws, except that the General Assembly may by law provide that the operation of a nonprofit bingo game shall not be a lottery and shall be legal in this state. The General Assembly may by law define a nonprofit bingo game and provide for the regulation of nonprofit bingo games.
Paragraph IX. Sovereign immunity of the state from suit. (a) Sovereign immunity extends to the state and all of its departments and agencies. However, the defense of sovereign immunity is waived as to any action ex contractu for the breach of any written contract now existing or hereafter entered into by the state or its departments and agencies. Also the defense of sovereign immunity is waived as to those actions for the recovery of damages for any claim against the state or any of its departments and agencies for which liability insurance protection for such claims has been provided but only to the extent of any liability insurance provided. Moreover, the sovereign immunity of the state or any of its departments and agencies may hereafter be waived further by Act of the General Assembly which specifically provides that sovereign immunity is hereby waived and the extent of the waiver. No waiver of sovereign immunity shall be construed as a waiver of any immunity provided to the state or its departments and agencies by the United States Constitution. The provisions of this paragraph shall not have the effect of permitting the state or any of its departments or agencies to interpose the defense of sovereign immunity as to any action against the state or any of its departments or agencies filed prior to January 1, 1983, if such defense could not have been interposed on December 31, 1982.

(b) The General Assembly may provide by law for the processing and disposition of claims against the state which do not exceed such maximum amount as provided therein.

SECTION III. GENERAL PROVISIONS

Paragraph I. Eminent domain. (a) Except as otherwise provided in this Paragraph, private property shall not be taken or damaged for public purposes without just and adequate compensation being first paid.

(b) When private property is taken or damaged by the state or the counties or municipalities of the state for public road or street purposes, or for public transportation purposes, or for any other public purposes as determined by the General Assembly, just and adequate compensation therefor need not be paid until the same has been finally fixed and determined as provided by law; but such just and adequate compensation shall then be paid in preference to all other obligations except bonded indebtedness.

(c) The General Assembly may by law require the condemnor to make prepayment against adequate compensation as a condition precedent to the exercise of the right of eminent domain and provide for the disbursement of the same to the end that the rights and equities of the property owner, lien holders, and the state and its subdivisions may be protected.

(d) The General Assembly may provide by law for the payment by the condemnor of reasonable expenses, including attorney’s fees, incurred by the condemnee in determining just and adequate compensation.

(e) Notwithstanding any other provision of the Constitution, the General Assembly may provide by law for relocation assistance and payments to persons displaced through the exercise of the power of eminent domain or because of public projects or programs; and the powers of taxation may be exercised and public funds expended in furtherance thereof.

Paragraph II. Private ways. In case of necessity, private ways may be granted upon just and adequate compensation being first paid by the applicant.

Paragraph III. Tidewater titles confirmed. The Act of the General Assembly approved December 16, 1902, which extends the title of ownership of lands abutting on tidal water to low water mark, is hereby ratified and confirmed.
COMPOSITION OF GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Paragraph I. Senate and House of Representatives. (a) The Senate shall consist of not more than 56 Senators, each of whom shall be elected from single-member districts.

(b) The House of Representatives shall consist of not fewer than 180 Representatives apportioned among representative districts of the state.

Paragraph II. Apportionment of General Assembly. The General Assembly shall apportion the Senate and House districts. Such districts shall be composed of contiguous territory. The apportionment of the Senate and of the House of Representatives shall be changed by the General Assembly as necessary after each United States decennial census.

Paragraph III. Qualifications of members of General Assembly. (a) At the time of their election, the members of the Senate shall be citizens of the United States, shall be at least 25 years of age, shall have been citizens of this state for at least two years, and shall have been legal residents of the territory embraced within the district from which elected for at least one year.

(b) At the time of their election, the members of the House of Representatives shall be citizens of the United States, shall be at least 21 years of age, shall have been citizens of this state for at least two years, and shall have been legal residents of the territory embraced within the district from which elected for at least one year.

Paragraph IV. Disqualifications. (a) No person on active duty with any branch of the armed forces of the United States shall have a seat in either house unless otherwise provided by law.

(b) No person holding any civil appointment or office having any emolument annexed thereto under the United States, this state, or any other state shall have a seat in either house.

(c) No Senator or Representative shall be elected by the General Assembly or appointed by the Governor to any office or appointment having any emolument annexed thereto during the term for which such person shall have been elected unless the Senator or Representative shall first resign the seat to which elected; provided, however, that, during the term for which elected, no Senator or Representative shall be appointed to any civil office which has been created during such term.

Paragraph V. Election and term of members. (a) The members of the General Assembly shall be elected by the qualified electors of their respective districts for a term of two years and shall serve until the time fixed for the convening of the next General Assembly.

(b) The members of the General Assembly in office on June 30, 1983, shall serve out the remainder of the terms to which elected.

(c) The first election for members of the General Assembly under this Constitution shall take place on Tuesday after the first Monday in November, 1984, and subsequent elections biennially on that day until the day of election is changed by law.

SECTION III.
OFFICERS OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Paragraph I. President and President Pro Tempore of the Senate. (a) The presiding officer of the Senate shall be styled the President of the Senate.

(b) A President Pro Tempore shall be elected by the Senate from among its members. The President Pro Tempore shall act as President in case of the temporary disability of the President. In case of the death, resignation, or permanent disability of the President or in the event of the succession of the President to the executive power, the President Pro Tempore shall become President and shall receive the same compensation and allowances as the Speaker of the House of Representatives. The General Assembly shall provide by law for the method of determining disability as provided in this Paragraph.

Paragraph II. Speaker and Speaker Pro Tempore of the House of Representatives. (a) The presiding officer of the House of Representatives shall be styled the Speaker of the House of Representatives and shall be elected by the House of Representatives from among its members.

(b) A Speaker Pro Tempore shall be elected by the House of Representatives from among its members. The Speaker Pro Tempore shall become Speaker in case of the death, resignation, or permanent disability of the Speaker and shall serve until a Speaker is elected. Such election shall be held as provided in the rules of the House. The General Assembly shall provide by law for the method of determining disability as provided in this Paragraph.

Paragraph III. Other officers of the two houses. The other officers of the two houses shall be a Secretary of the Senate and a Clerk of the House of Representatives.

SECTION IV.
ORGANIZATION AND PROCEDURE
OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Paragraph I. Meeting, time limit, and adjournment. (a) The Senate and House of Representatives shall organize each odd-numbered year and shall be a different General Assembly for each two-year period. The General Assembly shall meet in regular session on the second Monday in January of each year, or otherwise as provided by law, and may continue in session for a period of no longer than 40 days in the aggregate each year. By concurrent resolution, the General Assembly may adjourn any regular session to such later date as it may fix for reconvening. Separate periods of adjournment may be fixed by one or more such concurrent resolutions.

(b) Neither house shall adjourn during a regular session for more than three days or meet in any place other than the state capitol without the consent of the other. Following the fifth day of a special session, either house may adjourn not more than twice for a period not to exceed seven days for each such adjournment. In the event either house, after the thirtieth day of any session, adopts a resolution to adjourn for a specified period of time and such resolution and any amendments thereto are not adopted by both houses by the end of the legislative day on which adjournment was called for in such resolution, the Governor may adjourn both houses for a period of time not to exceed ten days.

(c) If an impeachment trial is pending at the end of any session, the House shall adjourn and the Senate shall remain in session until such trial is completed.

Paragraph II. Oath of members. Each Senator and Representative, before taking the seat to which elected, shall take the oath or affirmation prescribed by law.

Paragraph III. Quorum. A majority of the members to which each house is entitled shall constitute a quorum to transact business. A smaller number may adjourn from day to day and compel the presence of its absent members.

Paragraph IV. Rules of procedure; employees; interim committees. Each house shall determine its rules of procedure.
and may provide for its employees. Interim committees may be created by or pursuant to the authority of the General Assembly or of either house.

**Paragraph V. Vacancies.** When a vacancy occurs in the General Assembly, it shall be filled as provided by this Constitution and by law. The seat of a member of either house shall be vacant upon the removal of such member's legal residence from the district from which elected.

**Paragraph VI. Salaries.** The members of the General Assembly shall receive such salary as shall be provided for by law, provided that no increase in salary shall become effective prior to the end of the term during which such change is made.

**Paragraph VII. Election and returns; disorderly conduct.** Each house shall be the judge of the election, returns, and qualifications of its members and shall have power to punish them for disorderly behavior or misconduct by censure, fine, imprisonment, or expulsion; but no member shall be expelled except by a vote of two-thirds of the members of the house to which such member belongs.

**Paragraph VIII. Contempts, how punished.** Each house may punish by imprisonment, not extending beyond the session, any person not a member who shall be guilty of a contempt by any disorderly behavior in its presence or who shall rescue or attempt to rescue any person arrested by order of either house.

**Paragraph IX. Privilege of members.** The members of both houses shall be free from arrest during sessions of the General Assembly, or committee meetings thereof, and in going thereto or returning therefrom, except for treason, felony, or breach of the peace. No member shall be liable to answer in any other place for anything spoken in either house or in any committee meeting of either house.

**Paragraph X. Elections by either house.** All elections by either house of the General Assembly shall be by recorded vote, and the vote shall appear on the respective journal of each house.

**Paragraph XI. Open meetings.** The sessions of the General Assembly and all standing committee meetings thereof shall be open to the public. Either house may by rule provide for exceptions to this requirement.

**SECTION V. ENACTMENT OF LAWS**

**Paragraph I. Journals and laws.** Each house shall keep and publish after its adjourment a journal of its proceedings. The original journals shall be the sole, official records of the proceedings of each house and shall be preserved as provided by law. The General Assembly shall provide for the publication of the laws passed at each session.

**Paragraph II. Bills for revenue.** All bills for raising revenue, or appropriating money, shall originate in the House of Representatives.

**Paragraph III. One subject matter expressed.** No bill shall pass which refers to more than one subject matter or contains matter different from what is expressed in the title thereof.

**Paragraph IV. Statutes and sections of Code, how amended.** No law or section of the Code shall be amended or repealed by mere reference to its title or to the number of the section of the Code; but the amending or repealing Act shall distinctly describe the law or Code section to be amended or repealed as well as the alteration to be made.

**Paragraph V. Majority of members to pass bill.** No bill shall become law unless it shall receive a majority of the votes of all the members to which each house is entitled, and such vote shall so appear on the journal of each house.

**Paragraph VI. When roll-call vote taken.** In either house, when ordered by the presiding officer or at the desire of one-fifth of the members present or a lesser number if so provided by the rules of either house, a roll-call vote on any question shall be taken and shall be entered on the journal. The yeas and nays in each house shall be recorded and entered on the journal upon the passage or rejection of any bill or resolution appropriating money and whenever the Constitution requires a vote of two-thirds of either or both houses for the passage of a bill or resolution.

**Paragraph VII. Reading of general bills.** The title of every general bill and of every resolution intended to have the effect of general law or to amend this Constitution or to propose a new Constitution shall be read three times and on three separate days in each house before such bill or resolution shall be voted upon; and the third reading of such bill and resolution shall be in their entirety when ordered by the presiding officer or by a majority of the members voting on such question in either house.

**Paragraph VIII. Procedure for considering local legislation.** The General Assembly may provide by law for the procedure for considering local legislation. The title of every local bill and every resolution intended to have the effect of local law shall be read at least once before such bill or resolution shall be voted upon; and no such bill or resolution shall be voted upon prior to the second day following the day of introduction.

**Paragraph IX. Advertisement of notice to introduce local legislation.** The General Assembly shall provide by law for the advertisement of notice of intention to introduce local bills.

**Paragraph X. Acts signed.** All Acts shall be signed by the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives.

**Paragraph XI. Signature of Governor.** No provision in this Constitution for a two-thirds' vote of both houses of the General Assembly shall be construed to waive the necessity for the signature of the Governor as in any other case, except in the case of the two-thirds' vote required to override the veto or to submit proposed constitutional amendments or a proposal for a new Constitution.

**Paragraph XII. Rejected bills.** No bill or resolution intended to have the effect of law which shall have been rejected by either house shall again be proposed during the same regular or special session under the same or any other title without the consent of two-thirds of the house by which the same was rejected.

**Paragraph XIII. Approval, veto, and override of veto of bills and resolutions.** (a) All bills and all resolutions which have been passed by the General Assembly intended to have the effect of law shall become law if the Governor approves or fails to veto the same within six days from the date any such bill or resolution is transmitted to the Governor unless the General Assembly adjourns sine die or adjourns for more than 40 days prior to the expiration of said six days. In the case of such adjournment sine die or of such adjournment for more than 40 days, the same shall become law if approved or not vetoed by the Governor within 40 days from the date of any such adjournment.

(b) During sessions of the General Assembly or during any period of adjournment of a session of the General Assembly, no bill or resolution shall be transmitted to the Governor after passage except upon request of the Governor or upon order of two-thirds of the membership of each house. A local bill which is required by the Constitution to have a referendum election
conducted before it shall become effective shall be transmitted immediately to the Governor when ordered by the presiding officer of the house wherein the bill shall have originated or upon order of two-thirds of the membership of such house.

c) The Governor shall have the duty to transmit any vetoed bill or resolution, together with the reasons for such veto, to the presiding officer of the house wherein it originated within three days from the date of veto if the General Assembly is in session on the date of transmission. If the General Assembly adjourns sine die or adjourns for more than 40 days, the Governor shall transmit any vetoed bill or resolution, together with the reasons for such veto, to the presiding officer of the house wherein it originated within 60 days of the date of such adjournment.

d) During sessions of the General Assembly, any vetoed bill or resolution may upon receipt be immediately considered by the house wherein it originated for the purpose of overriding the veto. If two-thirds of the members to which such house is entitled vote to override the veto of the Governor, the same shall be immediately transmitted to the other house where it shall be immediately considered. Upon the vote to override the veto by two-thirds of the members to which such other house is entitled, such bill or resolution shall become law. All bills and resolutions vetoed during the last three days of the session and not considered for the purpose of overriding the veto and all bills and resolutions vetoed after the General Assembly has adjourned sine die may be considered at the next session of the General Assembly for the purpose of overriding the veto in the manner herein provided. If either house shall fail to override the Governor’s veto, neither house shall again consider such bill or resolution for the purpose of overriding such veto.

e) The Governor may approve any appropriation and veto any other appropriation in the same bill, and any appropriation vetoed shall not become law unless such veto is overridden in the manner herein provided.

Paragraph XIV. Jointly sponsored bills and resolutions. The General Assembly may provide by law for the joint sponsorship of bills and resolutions.

SECTION VI.
EXERCISE OF POWERS

Paragraph I. General powers. The General Assembly shall have the power to make all laws not inconsistent with this Constitution, and not repugnant to the Constitution of the United States, which it shall deem necessary and proper for the welfare of the state.

Paragraph II. Specific powers. (a) Without limitation of the powers granted under Paragraph I, the General Assembly shall have the power to provide by law for:

1) Restrictions upon land use in order to protect and preserve the natural resources, environment, and vital areas of this state.

2) A militia and for the trial by courts-martial and nonjudicial punishment of its members, the discipline of whom, when not in federal service, shall be in accordance with law and the directives of the Governor acting as commander in chief.

3) The participation by the state and political subdivisions and instrumentalities of the state in federal programs and the compliance with laws relating thereto, including but not limited to the powers, which may be exercised to the extent and in the manner necessary to effect such participation and compliance, to tax, to expend public money, to condemn property, and to zone property.

4) The continuity of state and local governments in periods of emergency resulting from disasters caused by enemy attack including but not limited to the suspension of all constitutional legislative rules during such emergency.

5) The participation by the state with any county, municipality, nonprofit organization, or any combination thereof in the operation of any of the facilities operated by such agencies for the purpose of encouraging and promoting tourism in this state.

6) The control and regulation of outdoor advertising devices adjacent to federal aid interstate and primary highways and for the acquisition of property or interest therein for such purposes and may exercise the powers of taxation and provide for the expenditure of public funds in connection therewith.

(b) The General Assembly shall have the power to implement the provisions of Article I, Section III, Paragraph II; Article IV, Section XIII, Paragraph I; Article IV, Sections XII, Paragraph III; and Article X, Section II, Paragraph XII of the Constitution of 1976 in force and effect on June 30, 1983; and all laws heretofore adopted thereunder and valid at the time of their enactment shall continue in force and effect until modified or repealed.

Paragraph III. Powers not to be abridged. The General Assembly shall not abridge its powers under this Constitution. No law enacted by the General Assembly shall be construed to limit its powers.

Paragraph IV. Limitations on special legislation. (a) Laws of a general nature shall have uniform operation throughout this state and no local or special law shall be enacted in any case for which provision has been made by an existing general law, except that the General Assembly may by general law authorize local governments by local ordinance or resolution to exercise police powers which do not conflict with general laws.

(b) No population bill, as the General Assembly shall define by general law, shall be passed. No bill using classification by population as a means of determining the applicability of any bill or law to any political subdivision or group of political subdivisions may expressly or impliedly amend, modify, supersede, or repeal the general law defining a population bill.

(c) No special law relating to the rights or status of private persons shall be enacted.

Paragraph V. Specific limitations. (a) The General Assembly shall not have the power to grant incorporation to private persons but shall provide by general law the manner in which private corporate powers and privileges may be granted.

(b) The General Assembly shall not forgive the forfeiture of the charter of any corporation existing on August 13, 1945, nor shall it grant any benefit to or permit any amendment to the charter of any corporation except upon the condition that the acceptance thereof shall operate as a novation of the charter and that such corporation shall thereafter hold its charter subject to the provisions of this Constitution.

(c) The General Assembly shall not have the power to authorize any contract or agreement which may have the effect of or which is intended to have the effect of defeating or lessening competition, or encouraging a monopoly, which are hereby declared to be unlawful and void.

(d) The General Assembly shall not have the power to regulate or fix charges of public utilities owned or operated by any county or municipality of this state, except as authorized by this Constitution.

Paragraph VI. Gratuities. (a) Except as otherwise provided in the Constitution, (1) the General Assembly shall not have the power to grant any donation or gratuity or to forgive any debt or obligation owing to the public, and (2) the General Assembly...
shall not grant or authorize extra compensation to any public
officer, agent, or contractor after the service has been rendered
or the contract entered into.

(b) All laws heretofore adopted under Article III, Section
VIII, Paragraph XII of the Constitution of 1976 in force and
effect on June 30, 1983, shall continue in force and effect and
may be amended if such amendments are consistent with the
authority granted to the General Assembly by such provisions
of said Constitution.

SECTION VII.
IMPEACHMENTS

Paragraph I. Power to impeach. The House of Representa-
tives shall have the sole power to vote impeachment charges
against any executive or judicial officer of this state or any
member of the General Assembly.

Paragraph II. Trial of impeachments. The Senate shall have
the sole power to try impeachments. When sitting for that
purpose, the Senators shall be on oath, or affirmation, and shall
be presided over by the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court.
Should the Chief Justice be disqualified, then the Presiding
Justice shall preside. Should the Presiding Justice be disquali-
fied, then the Senate shall select a Justice of the Supreme Court
to preside. No person shall be convicted without concurrence
of two-thirds of the members to which the Senate is entitled.

Paragraph III. Judgments in impeachment. In cases of
impeachment, judgments shall not extend further than removal
from office and disqualification to hold and enjoy any office of
honor, trust, or profit within this state or to receive a pension
therefrom, but no such judgment shall relieve any party from
any criminal or civil liability.

SECTION VIII.
INSURANCE REGULATION

Paragraph I. Regulation of insurance. Provision shall be
made by law for the regulation of insurance.

Paragraph II. Issuance of licenses. Insurance licenses shall
be issued by the Commissioner of Insurance as required by law.

SECTION IX.
APPROPRIATIONS

Paragraph I. Public money, how drawn. No money shall be
drawn from the treasury except by appropriation made by law.

Paragraph II. Preparation, submission, and enactments of
general appropriations bill. (a) The Governor shall submit to
the General Assembly within five days after its convening in
regular session each year a budget message and a budget report,
accompanied by a draft of a general appropriations bill, in such
form and manner as may be prescribed by statute, which shall
provide for the appropriation of the funds necessary to operate
all the various departments and agencies and to meet the
current expenses of the state for the next fiscal year.

(b) The General Assembly shall annually appropriate those
state and federal funds necessary to operate all the various
departments and agencies. To the extent that federal funds
received by the state for any program, project, activity, pur-
pose, or expenditure are changed by federal authority or exceed
the amount or amounts appropriated in the general appropri-
ations Act or supplementary appropriation Act or Acts, or are
not anticipated, such excess, changed or unanticipated federal
funds are hereby continually appropriated for the purposes
authorized and directed by the federal government in making
the grant. In those instances where the conditions under which
the federal funds have been made available do not provide
otherwise, federal funds shall first be used to replace state funds
that were appropriated to supplant federal funds in the same
state fiscal year. The fiscal year of the state shall commence on
the first day of July of each year and terminate on the thirtieth
of June following.

(c) The General Assembly shall by general law provide for
the regulation and management of the finance and fiscal admin-
istration of the state.

Paragraph III. General appropriations bill. The general
appropriations bill shall embrace nothing except appropri-
ations fixed by previous laws; the ordinary expenses of the
executive, legislative, and judicial departments of the govern-
ment; payment of the public debt and interest thereon; and for
support of the public institutions and educational interests of
the state. All other appropriations shall be made by separate
bill, each embracing but one subject.

Paragraph IV. General appropriations Act. (a) Each
general appropriations Act, now of force or hereafter adopted
with such amendments as are adopted from time to time, shall
continue in force and effect for the next fiscal year after adop-
tion and it shall then expire, except for the mandatory appro-
priations required by this Constitution and those required to
meet contractual obligations authorized by this Constitution
and the continued appropriation of federal grants.

(b) The General Assembly shall not appropriate funds for
any given fiscal year which, in aggregate, exceed a sum equal to
the amount of unappropriated surplus expected to have accrued
in the state treasury at the beginning of the fiscal year
thereafter, together with an amount not greater than the total treasury
receipts from existing revenue sources anticipated to be col-
lected in the fiscal year, less refunds, as estimated in the budget
report and amendments thereto. Supplementary appropri-
ations, if any, shall be made in the manner provided in Para-
graph V of this section of the Constitution; but in no event shall
a supplementary appropriations Act continue in force and
effect beyond the expiration of the general appropriations Act
in effect when such supplementary appropriations Act was
adopted and approved.

(c) All appropriated state funds, except for the mandatory
appropriations required by this Constitution, remaining unex-
pended and not contractually obligated at the expiration of
such general appropriations Act shall lapse.

Paragraph V. Other or supplementary appropriations. In
addition to the appropriations made by the general appropri-
ations Act and amendments thereto, the General Assembly may
make additional appropriations by Acts, which shall be known
as supplementary appropriation Acts, provided no such sup-
plementary appropriation shall be available unless there is an
unappropriated surplus in the state treasury or the revenue
necessary to pay such appropriation shall have been provided
by a tax laid for such purpose and collected into the general
funds of the state treasury. Neither house shall pass a supple-
mentary appropriation bill until the general appropriations Act
shall have been finally adopted by both houses and approved
by the Governor.

Paragraph VI. Appropriations to be for specific sums.
(a) Except as hereinafter provided, the appropriation for each
department, officer, bureau, board, commission, agency, or
institution for which appropriation is made shall be for a
specific sum of money; and no appropriation shall allocate to
any object the proceeds of any particular tax or fund or a part
or percentage thereof.

(b) An amount equal to all money derived from motor fuel
taxes received by the state in each of the immediately preceding
fiscal years, less the amount of refunds, rebates, and collection
costs authorized by law, is hereby appropriated for the fiscal year beginning July 1, of each year following, for all activities incident to providing and maintaining an adequate system of public roads and bridges in this state, as authorized by laws enacted by the General Assembly of Georgia, and for grants to counties by law authorizing road construction and maintenance, as provided by law authorizing such grants. Said sum is hereby appropriated for, and shall be available for, the aforesaid purposes regardless of whether the General Assembly enacts a general appropriations Act; and said sum need not be specifically stated in any general appropriations Act passed by the General Assembly in order to be available for such purposes. However, this shall not preclude the General Assembly from appropriating for such purposes an amount greater than the sum specified above for such purposes. The expenditure of such funds shall be subject to all the rules, regulations, and restrictions imposed on the expenditure of appropriations by provisions of the Constitution and laws of this state, unless such provisions are in conflict with the provisions of this paragraph. And provided, however, that the proceeds of the tax hereby appropriated shall not be subject to budgetary reduction. In the event of invasion of this state by land, sea, or air or in case of a major catastrophe as proclaimed by the Governor, said funds may be utilized for defense or relief purposes on the executive order of the Governor.

(c) A trust fund for use in the reimbursement of a portion of an employer’s workers’ compensation expenses resulting to an employee from the combination of a previous disability with subsequent injury incurred in employment may be provided for by law. As authorized by law, revenues raised for purposes of the fund may be paid into and disbursed from the trust without being subject to the limitations of subparagraph (a) of this Paragraph or of Article VII, Section III, Paragraph II.

(d) As provided by law, additional penalties may be assessed in any case in which any court in this state imposes a fine or orders the forfeiture of any bond in the nature of the penalty for all offenses against the criminal and traffic laws of this state or of the political subdivisions of this state. The proceeds derived from such additional penalty assessments may be allocated for the specific purpose of meeting any and all costs, or any portion of the cost, of providing training to law enforcement officers and to prosecuting officials.

(e) The General Assembly may by general law approved by a three-fifths’ vote of both houses designate any part or all of the proceeds of any state tax now or hereafter levied and collected on alcoholic beverages to be used for prevention, education, and treatment relating to alcohol and drug abuse.

Paragraph VII. Appropriations void, when. Any appropriation made in conflict with any of the foregoing provisions shall be void.

SECTION X.
RETIREMENT SYSTEMS

Paragraph I. Expenditure of public funds authorized. Public funds may be expended for the purpose of paying benefits and other costs of retirement and pension systems for public officers and employees and their beneficiaries.

Paragraph II. Increasing benefits authorized. Public funds may be expended for the purpose of increasing benefits being paid pursuant to any retirement or pension system wholly or partially supported from public funds.

Paragraph III. Retirement systems covering employees of county boards of education. Notwithstanding Article IX, Section II, Paragraph III(a)(14), the authority to establish or modify heretofore existing local retirement systems covering employees of county boards of education shall continue to be vested in the General Assembly.

Paragraph IV. Firemen’s Pension System. The powers of taxation may be exercised by the state through the General Assembly and the counties and municipalities for the purpose of paying pensions and other benefits and costs under a firemen’s pension system or systems. The taxes so levied may be collected by such firemen’s pension system or systems and disbursed therefrom by authority of the General Assembly for the purposes therein authorized.

Paragraph V. Funding standards. It shall be the duty of the General Assembly to enact legislation to define funding standards which will assure the actuarial soundness of any retirement or pension system supported wholly or partially from public funds and to control legislative procedures so that no bill or resolution creating or amending any such retirement or pension system shall be passed by the General Assembly without concurrent provisions for funding in accordance with the defined funding standards.

ARTICLE IV.
CONSTITUTIONAL BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

SECTION I.
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Paragraph I. Public Service Commission. (a) There shall be a Public Service Commission for the regulation of utilities which shall consist of five members who shall be elected by the people. The Commissioners in office on June 30, 1983, shall serve until December 31 after the general election at which the successor of each member is elected. Thereafter, all succeeding terms of members shall be for six years. Members shall serve until their successors are elected and qualified. A chairman shall be selected by the members of the commission from its membership.

(b) The commission shall be vested with such jurisdiction, powers, and duties as provided by law.

(c) The filling of vacancies and manner and time of election of members of the commission shall be as provided by law.

SECTION II.
STATE BOARD OF PARDONS AND PAROLES

Paragraph I. State Board of Pardons and Paroles. There shall be a State Board of Pardons and Paroles which shall consist of five members appointed by the Governor, subject to confirmation by the Senate. The members of the board in office on June 30, 1983, shall serve out the remainder of their respective terms, provided that the expiration date of the term of any such member shall be December 31 of the year in which the member’s term expires. As each term of office expires, the Governor shall appoint a successor as herein provided. All such terms of members shall be for seven years. A chairman shall be selected by the members of the board from its membership.

Paragraph II. Powers and authority. (a) Except as otherwise provided in this Paragraph, the State Board of Pardons and Paroles shall be vested with the power of executive clemency, including the powers to grant reprieves, pardons, and paroles; to commute penalties; to remove disabilities imposed by law; and to remit any part of a sentence for any offense against the state after conviction.

(b) When a sentence of death is commuted to life imprisonment, the board shall not have the authority to grant a pardon to the convicted person until such person has served at least 25 years in the penitentiary; and such person shall not become eligible for parole at any time prior to serving at least 25 years in
the penitentiary. When a person is convicted of armed robbery, the board shall not have the authority to consider such person for pardon or parole until such person has served at least five years in the penitentiary.

(c) Notwithstanding the provisions of subparagraph (b) of this Paragraph, the General Assembly, by law, may prohibit the board from commuting any term or condoning the parole of any convicted person for which such person could have been sentenced to life imprisonment; and

(2) Any person who has received consecutive life sentences as the result of offenses occurring during the same series of acts.

(d) The chairman of the board, or any other member designated by the board, may suspend the execution of a sentence of death until the full board shall have an opportunity to hear the application of the convicted person for any relief within the power of the board.

(e) Notwithstanding any other provisions of this Paragraph, the State Board of Pardons and Paroles shall have the authority to pardon any person convicted of a crime who is subsequently determined to be innocent of said crime.

STATE PERSONNEL BOARD

Paragraph I. State Personnel Board. (a) There shall be a State Personnel Board which shall consist of five members appointed by the Governor, subject to confirmation by the Senate. The members of the board in office on June 30, 1983, shall serve out the remainder of their respective terms. As each term of office expires, the Governor shall appoint a successor as herein provided. All such terms of members shall be for five years. Members shall serve until their successors are appointed and qualified. A member of the State Personnel Board may not be employed in any other capacity in state government. A chairman shall be selected by the members of the board from its membership.

(b) The board shall provide policy direction for a State Merit System of Personnel Administration and may be vested with such additional powers and duties as provided by law. State personnel shall be selected on the basis of merit as provided by law.

Paragraph II. Veterans preference. Any veteran who has served as a member of the armed forces of the United States during the period of a war or armed conflict in which any branch of the armed forces of the United States engaged, whether under United States command or otherwise, and was honorably discharged therefrom, shall be given such veterans preference in any civil service program established in state government as may be provided by law. Any such law must provide at least ten points to a veteran having at least a 10 percent service connected disability as rated and certified by the Veterans Administration, and all other such veterans shall be entitled to at least five points.

STATE TRANSPORTATION BOARD

Paragraph I. State Transportation Board; commissioner. (a) There shall be a State Transportation Board composed of as many members as there are congressional districts in the state. The member of the board from each congressional district shall be elected by a majority vote of the members of the House of Representatives and Senate whose respective districts are embraced or partly embraced within such congressional district meeting in caucus. The members of the board in office on June 30, 1983, shall serve out the remainder of their respective terms. The General Assembly shall provide by law the procedure for the election of members and for filling vacancies on the board. Members shall serve for terms of five years and until their successors are elected and qualified.

(b) The State Transportation Board shall select a commissioner of transportation, who shall be the chief executive officer of the Department of Transportation and who shall have such powers and duties as provided by law.

SECTION V.

VETERANS SERVICE BOARD

Paragraph I. Veterans Service Board; commissioner. (a) There shall be a State Department of Veterans Service and Veterans Service Board which shall consist of seven members appointed by the Governor, subject to confirmation by the Senate. The members in office on June 30, 1983, shall serve out the remainder of their respective terms. As each term of office expires, the Governor shall appoint a successor as herein provided. All such terms of members shall be for seven years. Members shall serve until their successors are appointed and qualified.

(b) The board shall appoint a commissioner who shall be the executive officer of the department. All members of the board and the commissioner shall be veterans of some war or armed conflict in which the United States has engaged. The board shall have such control, duties, powers, and jurisdiction of the State Department of Veterans Service as shall be provided by law.

SECTION VI.

BOARD OF NATURAL RESOURCES

Paragraph I. Board of Natural Resources. (a) There shall be a Board of Natural Resources which shall consist of one member from each congressional district in the state and five members from the state at large, one of whom must be from one of the following named counties: Chatham, Bryan, Liberty, McIntosh, Glynn, or Camden. All members shall be appointed by the Governor, subject to confirmation by the Senate. The members of the board in office on June 30, 1983, shall serve out the remainder of their respective terms. As each term of office expires, the Governor shall appoint a successor as herein provided. All such terms of members shall be for seven years. Members shall serve until their successors are appointed and qualified. Insofar as it is practicable, the members of the board shall be representative of all areas and functions encompassed within the Department of Natural Resources.

(b) The board shall have such powers and duties as provided by law.

SECTION VII.

QUALIFICATIONS, COMPENSATION, REMOVAL FROM OFFICE, AND POWERS AND DUTIES OF MEMBERS OF CONSTITUTIONAL BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

Paragraph I. Qualifications, compensation, and removal from office. The qualifications, compensation, and removal from office of members of constitutional boards and commissions provided for in this article shall be as provided by law.

Paragraph II. Powers and duties. The powers and duties of members of constitutional boards and commissions provided for in this article, except the Board of Pardons and Paroles, shall be as provided by law.
ARTICLE V.
EXECUTIVE BRANCH

SECTION I.
ELECTION OF GOVERNOR
AND LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR

Paragraph I. Governor: term of office; compensation and allowances. There shall be a Governor who shall hold office for a term of four years and until a successor shall be chosen and qualified. Persons holding the office of Governor may succeed themselves for one four-year term of office. Persons who have held the office of Governor and have succeeded themselves as hereinbefore provided shall not again be eligible to be elected to that office until after the expiration of four years from the conclusion of their term as Governor. The compensation and allowances of the Governor shall be as provided by law.

Paragraph II. Election for Governor. An election for Governor shall be held on Tuesday after the first Monday in November of 1986, and the Governor-elect shall be installed in office at the next session of the General Assembly. An election for Governor shall take place quadrennially thereafter on said date unless another date be fixed by the General Assembly. Said election shall be held at the places of holding general elections in the several counties of this state, in the manner prescribed for the election of members of the General Assembly, and the electors shall be the same.

Paragraph III. Lieutenant Governor. There shall be a Lieutenant Governor, who shall be elected at the same time, for the same term, and in the same manner as the Governor. The Lieutenant Governor shall be the President of the Senate and shall have such executive duties as prescribed by the Governor and as may be prescribed by law not inconsistent with the powers of the Governor or other provisions of this Constitution. The compensation and allowances of the Lieutenant Governor shall be as provided by law.

Paragraph IV. Qualifications of Governor and Lieutenant Governor. No person shall be eligible for election to the office of Governor or Lieutenant Governor unless such person shall have been a citizen of the United States 15 years and a legal resident of the state six years immediately preceding the election and shall have attained the age of 30 years by the date of assuming office.

Paragraph V. Succession to executive power. (a) In case of the temporary disability of the Governor as determined in the manner provided in Section IV of this article, the Lieutenant Governor shall exercise the powers and duties of the Governor and receive the same compensation as the Governor until such time as the temporary disability of the Governor ends.

(b) In case of the death, resignation, or permanent disability of the Governor or the Governor-elect, the Lieutenant Governor or the Lieutenant Governor-elect, upon becoming the Governor until the election and qualification of a Governor, shall have assumed the powers and duties of the Governor, and the person elected shall serve out the unexpired term.

(c) In case of the death, resignation, or permanent disability of the Governor or the Governor-elect and the Lieutenant Governor or the Lieutenant Governor-elect or in case of the death, resignation, or permanent disability of the Governor and there shall be no Lieutenant Governor, the Speaker of the House of Representatives shall exercise the powers and duties of the Governor until the election and qualification of a Governor at a special election, which shall be held within 90 days from the date on which the Speaker of the House of Representatives shall have assumed the powers and duties of the Governor, and the person elected shall serve out the unexpired term.

Paragraph VI. Oath of office. The Governor and Lieutenant Governor shall, before entering on the duties of office, take such oath or affirmation as prescribed by law.
Paragraph VIII. Filling vacancies. (a) When any public office shall become vacant by death, resignation, or otherwise, the Governor shall promptly fill such vacancy unless otherwise provided by this Constitution or by law; and persons so appointed shall serve for the unexpired term unless otherwise provided by this Constitution or by law.

(b) In case of the death or withdrawal of a person who received a majority of votes cast in an election for the office of Secretary of State, Attorney General, State School Superintendent, Commissioner of Insurance, Commissioner of Agriculture, or Commissioner of Labor, the Governor elected at the same election, upon becoming Governor, shall have the power to fill such office by appointing, subject to the confirmation of the Senate, an individual to serve until the next general election and until a successor for the balance of the unexpired term shall have been elected and qualified.

Paragraph IX. Appointments by Governor. The Governor shall make such appointments as are authorized by this Constitution or by law. If a person whose confirmation is required by the Senate is once rejected by the Senate, that person shall not be renominated by the Governor for appointment to the same office until the expiration of a period of one year from the date of such rejection.

Paragraph X. Information from officers and employees. The Governor may require information in writing from constitutional officers and all other officers and employees of the executive branch on any subject relating to the duties of their respective offices or employment.

SECTION III.
OTHER ELECTED EXECUTIVE OFFICERS

Paragraph I. Other executive officers, how elected. The Secretary of State, Attorney General, State School Superintendent, Commissioner of Insurance, Commissioner of Agriculture, and Commissioner of Labor shall be elected in the manner prescribed for the election of members of the General Assembly and the electors shall be the same. Such executive officers shall be elected at the same time and hold their offices for the same term as the Governor.

Paragraph II. Qualifications. (a) No person shall be eligible to the office of the Secretary of State, Attorney General, State School Superintendent, Commissioner of Insurance, Commissioner of Agriculture, or Commissioner of Labor unless such person shall have been a citizen of the United States for ten years and a legal resident of the state for four years immediately preceding election or appointment and shall have attained the age of 25 years by the date of assuming office. All of said officers shall take such oath and give bond and security, as prescribed by law, for the faithful discharge of their duties.

(b) No person shall be Attorney General unless such person shall have been an active-status member of the State Bar of Georgia for seven years.

Paragraph III. Powers, duties, compensation, and allowances of other executive officers. Except as otherwise provided in this Constitution, the General Assembly shall prescribe the powers, duties, compensation, and allowances of the above executive officers and provide assistance and expenses necessary for the operation of the department of each.

Paragraph IV. Attorney General; duties. The Attorney General shall act as the legal advisor of the executive department, shall represent the state in the Supreme Court in all capital felonies and in all civil and criminal cases in any court when required by the Governor, and shall perform such other duties as shall be required by law.

SECTION IV.
DISABILITY OF EXECUTIVE OFFICERS

Paragraph I. "Elected constitutional executive officer," how defined. As used in this section, the term "elected constitutional executive officer" means the Governor, the Lieutenant Governor, the Secretary of State, the Attorney General, the State School Superintendent, the Commissioner of Insurance, the Commissioner of Agriculture, and the Commissioner of Labor.

Paragraph II. Procedure for determining disability. Upon a petition of any four of the elected constitutional executive officers to the Supreme Court of Georgia that another elected constitutional executive officer is unable to perform the duties of office because of a physical or mental disability, the Supreme Court shall by appropriate rule provide for a speedy and public hearing on such matter, including notice of the nature and cause of the accusation, process for obtaining witnesses, and the assistance of counsel. Evidence at such hearing shall include testimony from not fewer than three qualified physicians in private practice, one of whom must be a psychiatrist.

Paragraph III. Effect of determination of disability. If, after hearing the evidence on disability, the Supreme Court determines that there is a disability and that such disability is permanent, the office shall be declared vacant and the successor to that office shall be chosen as provided in this Constitution or the laws enacted in pursuance thereof. If it is determined that the disability is not permanent, the Supreme Court shall determine when the disability has ended and when the officer shall resume the exercise of the powers of office. During the period of temporary disability, the powers of such office shall be exercised as provided by law.

ARTICLE VI.
JUDICIAL BRANCH

SECTION I.
JUDICIAL POWER

Paragraph I. Judicial power of the state. The judicial power of the state shall be vested exclusively in the following classes of courts: magistrate courts, probate courts, juvenile courts, state courts, superior courts, Court of Appeals, and Supreme Court. Magistrate courts, probate courts, juvenile courts, and state courts shall be courts of limited jurisdiction. In addition, the General Assembly may establish or authorize the establishment of municipal courts and may authorize administrative agencies to exercise quasi-judicial powers. Municipal courts shall have jurisdiction over ordinance violations and such other jurisdiction as provided by law. Except as provided in this paragraph and in Section X, municipal courts, county recorder's courts and civil courts in existence on June 30, 1983, and administrative agencies shall not be subject to the provisions of this article.

Paragraph II. Unified judicial system. All courts of the state shall comprise a unified judicial system.

Paragraph III. Judges; exercise of power outside own court; scope of term "judge." Provided the judge is otherwise qualified, a judge may exercise judicial power in any court upon the request and with the consent of the judges of that court and of the judge's own court under rules prescribed by law. The term "judge," as used in this article, shall include Justices, judges, senior judges, magistrates, and every other such judicial officer of whatever name existing or created.

Paragraph IV. Exercise of judicial power. Each court may exercise such powers as necessary in aid of its jurisdiction or to protect or effectuate its judgments; but only the superior and appellate courts shall have the power to issue process in the nature of mandamus, prohibition, specific performance, quo
warranto, and injunction. Each superior court, state court, and other courts of record may grant new trials on legal grounds.

Paragraph V. Uniformity of jurisdiction, powers, etc. Except as otherwise provided in this Constitution, the courts of each class shall have uniform jurisdiction, powers, rules of practice and procedure, and selection, qualifications, terms, and discipline of judges. The provisions of this Paragraph shall be effected by law within 24 months of the effective date of this Constitution.

Paragraph VI. Judicial circuits; courts in each county; court sessions. The state shall be divided into judicial circuits, each of which shall consist of not less than one county. Each county shall have at least one superior court, magistrate court, a probate court, and, where needed, a state court and a juvenile court. The General Assembly may provide by law that the judge of the probate court may also serve as the judge of the magistrate court. In the absence of a state court or a juvenile court, the superior court shall exercise that jurisdiction. Superior courts shall hold court at least twice each year in each county.

Paragraph VII. Judicial circuits, courts, and judgeships, law changed. The General Assembly may abolish, create, consolidate, or modify judicial circuits and courts and judgeships; but no circuit shall consist of less than one county.

Paragraph VIII. Transfer of cases. Any court shall transfer to the appropriate court in the state any civil case in which it determines that jurisdiction or venue lies elsewhere.

Paragraph IX. Rules of evidence; law prescribed. All rules of evidence shall be as prescribed by law.

SECTION II. VENUE

Paragraph I. Divorce cases. Divorce cases shall be tried in the county where the defendant resides, if a resident of this state; if the defendant is not a resident of this state, then in the county in which the plaintiff resides, provided that any person who has been a resident of any United States army post or military reservation within the State of Georgia for one year next preceding the filing of the petition may bring an action for divorce in any county adjacent to said United States army post or military reservation.

Paragraph II. Land titles. Cases respecting titles to land shall be tried in the county where the land lies, except where a single tract is divided by a county line, in which case the superior court of either county shall have jurisdiction.

Paragraph III. Equity cases. Equity cases shall be tried in the county where a defendant resides against whom substantial relief is prayed.

Paragraph IV. Suits against joint obligors, copartners, etc. Suits against joint obligors, joint tort-feasors, joint promisors, copartners, or joint trespassers residing in different counties may be tried in either county.

Paragraph V. Suits against maker, endorser, etc. Suits against the maker and endorser of promissory notes, or drawer, acceptor, and endorser of foreign or inland bills of exchange, or like instruments, residing in different counties, shall be tried in the county where the maker or acceptor resides.

Paragraph VI. All other cases. All other civil cases, except juvenile court cases as may otherwise be provided by the Juvenile Court Code of Georgia, shall be tried in the county where the defendant resides; venue as to corporations, foreign and domestic, shall be as provided by law; and all criminal cases shall be tried in the county where the crime was committed, except cases in the superior courts where the judge is satisfied that an impartial jury cannot be obtained in such county.

Paragraph VII. Venue in third-party practice. The General Assembly may provide by law that venue is proper in a county other than the county of residence of a person or entity impleaded into a pending civil case by a defending party who contends that such person or entity is or may be liable to said defending party for all or part of the claim against said defending party.

Paragraph VIII. Power to change venue. The power to change the venue in civil and criminal cases shall be vested in the superior courts to be exercised in such manner as has been, or shall be, provided by law.

SECTION III. CLASSES OF COURTS OF LIMITED JURISDICTION

Paragraph I. Jurisdiction of classes of courts of limited jurisdiction. The magistrate, juvenile, and state courts shall have uniform jurisdiction as provided by law. Probate courts shall have such jurisdiction as now or hereafter provided by law, without regard to uniformity.

SECTION IV. SUPERIOR COURTS

Paragraph I. Jurisdiction of superior courts. The superior courts shall have jurisdiction in all cases, except as otherwise provided in this Constitution. They shall have exclusive jurisdiction over trials in felony cases, except in the case of juvenile offenders as provided by law; in cases respecting title to land; in divorce cases; and in equity cases. The superior courts shall have such appellate jurisdiction, either alone or by circuit or district, as may be provided by law.

SECTION V. COURT OF APPEALS

Paragraph I. Composition of Court of Appeals: Chief Judge. The Court of Appeals shall consist of not less than nine Judges who shall elect from among themselves a Chief Judge.

Paragraph II. Panels as prescribed. The Court of Appeals may sit in panels of not less than three Judges as prescribed by law or, if none, by its rules.

Paragraph III. Jurisdiction of Court of Appeals; decisions binding. The Court of Appeals shall be a court of review and shall exercise appellate and certiorari jurisdiction in all cases not reserved to the Supreme Court or conferred on other courts by law. The decisions of the Court of Appeals inssofar as not in conflict with those of the Supreme Court shall bind all courts except the Supreme Court as precedents.

Paragraph IV. Certification of question to Supreme Court. The Court of Appeals may certify a question to the Supreme Court for instruction, to which it shall then be bound.

Paragraph V. Equal division of court. In the event of an equal division of the Judges when sitting as a body, the case shall be immediately transmitted to the Supreme Court.

SECTION VI. SUPREME COURT

Paragraph I. Composition of Supreme Court; Chief Justice; Presiding Justice; quorum; substitute judges. The Supreme Court shall consist of not more than nine Justices who shall elect from among themselves a Chief Justice as the chief presiding and administrative officer of the court and a Presiding
Justice to serve if the Chief Justice is absent or is disqualified. A majority shall be necessary to hear and determine cases. If a Justice is disqualified in any case, a substitute judge may be designated by the remaining Justices to serve.

Paragraph II. Exclusive appellate jurisdiction of Supreme Court. The Supreme Court shall be a court of review and shall exercise exclusive appellate jurisdiction in the following cases:

(1) All cases involving the construction of a treaty or of the Constitution of the State of Georgia or of the United States and all cases in which the constitutionality of a law, ordinance, or constitutional provision has been drawn in question; and

(2) All cases of election contest.

Paragraph III. General appellate jurisdiction of Supreme Court. Unless otherwise provided by law, the Supreme Court shall have appellate jurisdiction of the following classes of cases:

(1) Cases involving title to land;
(2) All equity cases;
(3) All cases involving wills;
(4) All habeas corpus cases;
(5) All cases involving extraordinary remedies;
(6) All divorce and alimony cases;
(7) All cases certified to it by the Court of Appeals; and
(8) All cases in which a sentence of death was imposed or could be imposed.

Review of all cases shall be as provided by law.

Paragraph IV. Jurisdiction over questions of law from state or federal appellate courts. The Supreme Court shall have jurisdiction to answer any question of law from any state or federal appellate court.

Paragraph V. Review of cases in Court of Appeals. The Supreme Court may review by certiorari cases in the Court of Appeals which are of gravity or great public importance.

Paragraph VI. Decisions of Supreme Court binding. The decisions of the Supreme Court shall bind all other courts as precedents.

SECTION VII.
SELECTION, TERM, COMPENSATION, AND DISCIPLINE OF JUDGES

Paragraph I. Election; term of office. All superior court and state court judges shall be elected on a nonpartisan basis for a term of four years. All Justices of the Supreme Court and the Judges of the Court of Appeals shall be elected on a nonpartisan basis for a term of six years. The terms of all judges thus elected shall begin the next January 1 after their election. All other judges shall continue to be selected in the manner and for the term they were selected on June 30, 1983, until otherwise provided by local law.

Paragraph II. Qualifications. (a) Appellate and superior court judges shall have been admitted to practice law for seven years.

(b) State and juvenile court judges shall have been admitted to practice law for five years.

(c) Probate and magistrate judges shall have such qualifications as provided by law.

(d) All judges shall reside in the geographical area in which they are selected to serve.

(e) The General Assembly may provide by law for additional qualifications, including, but not limited to, minimum residency requirements.

Paragraph III. Vacancies. Vacancies shall be filled by appointment of the Governor except as otherwise provided by law in the magistrate, probate, and juvenile courts.

Paragraph IV. Period of service of appointees. An appointee to an elective office shall serve until a successor is duly selected and qualified and until January 1 of the year following the next general election which is more than six months after such person's appointment.

Paragraph V. Compensation and allowances of judges. All judges shall receive compensation and allowances as provided by law; county supplements are hereby continued and may be granted or changed by the General Assembly. County governing authorities which had the authority on June 30, 1983, to make county supplements shall continue to have such authority under this Constitution. An incumbent's salary, allowance, or supplement shall not be decreased during the incumbent's term of office.

Paragraph VI. Judicial Qualifications Commission; power; composition. The power to discipline, remove, and cause involuntary retirement of judges shall be vested in the Judicial Qualifications Commission. It shall consist of seven members, as follows:

(1) Two judges of any court of record, selected by the Supreme Court;

(2) Three members of the State Bar of Georgia who shall have been active status members of the state bar for at least ten years and who shall be elected by the board of governors of the state bar; and

(3) Two citizens, neither of whom shall be a member of the state bar, who shall be appointed by the Governor.

Paragraph VII. Discipline, removal, and involuntary retirement of judges. Any judge may be removed, suspended, or otherwise disciplined for willful misconduct in office, or for willful and persistent failure to perform the duties of office, or for habitual intemperance, or for conviction of a crime involving moral turpitude, or for conduct prejudicial to the administration of justice which brings the judicial office into disrepute. Any judge may be retired for disability which constitutes a serious and likely permanent interference with the performance of the duties of office. The Supreme Court shall adopt rules of implementation.

Paragraph VIII. Due process; review by Supreme Court. No action shall be taken against a judge except after hearing and in accordance with due process of law. No removal or involuntary retirement shall occur except upon order of the Supreme Court after review.

SECTION VIII.
DISTRICT ATTORNEYS

Paragraph I. District attorneys; vacancies; qualifications; compensation; duties; immunity. (a) There shall be a district attorney for each judicial circuit, who shall be elected circuit-wide for a term of four years. The successors of present and subsequent incumbents shall be elected by the electors of their respective circuits at the general election held immediately preceding the expiration of their respective terms. District attorneys shall serve until their successors are duly elected and qualified. Vacancies shall be filled by appointment of the Governor.

(b) No person shall be a district attorney unless such person shall have been an active-status member of the State Bar of Georgia for three years immediately preceding such person's election.
(c) The district attorneys shall receive such compensation and allowances as provided by law and shall be entitled to receive such local supplements to their compensation and allowances as may be provided by law.

(d) It shall be the duty of the district attorney to represent the state in all criminal cases in the superior court of such district attorney’s circuit and in all cases appealed from the superior court and the juvenile courts of that circuit to the Supreme Court and the Court of Appeals and to perform such other duties as shall be required by law.

(e) District attorneys shall enjoy immunity from private suit for actions arising from the performance of their duties.

Paragraph II. Discipline, removal, and involuntary retirement of district attorneys. Any district attorney may be disciplined, removed or involuntarily retired as provided by general law.

SECTION IX.
GENERAL PROVISIONS

Paragraph I. Administration of the judicial system; uniform court rules; advice and consent of councils. The judicial system shall be administered as provided in this Paragraph. Not more than 24 months after the effective date hereof, and from time to time thereafter by amendment, the Supreme Court shall, with the advice and consent of the council of the affected class or classes of trial courts, by order adopt and publish uniform court rules and record-keeping rules which shall provide for the speedy, efficient, and inexpensive resolution of disputes and prosecutions. Each council shall be comprised of all of the judges of the courts of that class.

Paragraph II. Disposition of cases. The Supreme Court and the Court of Appeals shall dispose of every case at the term for which it is entered on the court’s docket for hearing or at the next term.

SECTION X.
TRANSITION

Paragraph I. Effect of ratification. On the effective date of this article:

(1) Superior courts shall continue as superior courts.
(2) State courts shall continue as state courts.
(3) Probate courts shall continue as probate courts.
(4) Juvenile courts shall continue as juvenile courts.
(5) Municipal courts not otherwise named herein, of whatever name, shall continue as and be denominated municipal courts, except that the City Court of Atlanta shall retain its name. Such municipal courts, county recorder’s courts, the Civil Courts of Richmond and Bibb counties, and administrative agencies having quasi-judicial powers shall continue with the same jurisdiction as such courts and agencies have on the effective date of this article until otherwise provided by law.
(6) Justice of the peace courts, small claims courts, and magistrate courts operating on the effective date of this Constitution and the County Court of Echols County shall become and be classified as magistrate courts. The County Court of Baldwin County and the County Court of Putnam County shall become and be classified as state courts, with the same jurisdiction and powers as other state courts.

Paragraph II. Continuation of judges. Each judge holding office on the effective date of this article shall continue in office until the expiration of the term of office, as a judge of the court having the same or similar jurisdiction. Each court not named herein shall cease to exist on such date or at the expiration of the term of the incumbent judge, whichever is later; and its jurisdiction shall automatically pass to the new court of the same or similar jurisdiction, in the absence of which court it shall pass to the superior court.

ARTICLE VII.
TAXATION AND FINANCE

SECTION I.
POWER OF TAXATION

Paragraph I. Taxation; limitations on grants of tax powers. The state may not suspend or irrevocably give, grant, limit, or restrain the right of taxation and all laws, grants, contracts, and other acts to effect any of these purposes are null and void. Except as otherwise provided in this Constitution, the right of taxation shall always be under the complete control of the state.

Paragraph II. Taxing power limited. (a) The annual levy of state ad valorem taxes on tangible property for all purposes, except for defending the state in an emergency, shall not exceed one-fourth mill on each dollar of the assessed value of the property.
(b) So long as the method of taxation in effect on December 31, 1980, for the taxation of shares of stock of banking corporations and other monied capital coming into competition with such banking corporations continues in effect, such shares and other monied capital may be taxed at an annual rate not exceeding five mills on each dollar of the assessed value of the property.

Paragraph III. Uniformity; classification of property; assessment of agricultural land; utilities. (a) All taxes shall be levied and collected under general laws and for public purposes only. Except as otherwise provided in subparagraph (c), all taxation shall be uniform upon the same class of subjects within the territorial limits of the authority levying the tax.
(b) (1) Except as otherwise provided in this subparagraph (b), classes of subjects for taxation of property shall consist of tangible property and one or more classes of intangible personal property including money.
(2) Subject to the conditions and limitations specified by law, each of the following types of property may be classified as a separate class of property for ad valorem property tax purposes and different rates, methods, and assessment dates may be provided for such properties:
(A) Motor vehicles, including trailers.
(B) Mobile homes other than those mobile homes which qualify the owner of the home for a homestead exemption from ad valorem taxation.
(c) Tangible real property, but no more than 2,000 acres of any single property owner, which is devoted to bona fide agricultural purposes shall be assessed for ad valorem taxation purposes at 75 percent of the value which other tangible real property is assessed. No property shall be entitled to receive the preferential assessment provided for in this subparagraph if the property which would otherwise receive such assessment would result in any person who has a beneficial interest in such property, including any interest in the nature of stock ownership, receiving the benefit of such preferential assessment as to more than 2,000 acres. No property shall be entitled to receive the preferential assessment provided for in this subparagraph unless the conditions set out below are met:
(1) The property must be owned by:
(A) One or more natural or naturalized citizens; or

(B) A family-owned farm corporation, the controlling interest of which is owned by individuals related to each other within the fourth degree of civil reckoning, and such corporation derived 80 percent or more of its gross income from bona fide agricultural pursuits within this state within the year immediately preceding the year in which eligibility is sought.

(2) The General Assembly shall provide by law:

(A) For a definition of the term “bona fide agricultural purposes,” but such term shall include timber production;

(B) For additional minimum conditions of eligibility which such properties must meet in order to qualify for the preferential assessment provided for herein, including, but not limited to, the requirement that the owner be required to enter into a covenant with the appropriate taxing authorities to maintain the use of the properties in bona fide agricultural purposes for a period of not less than ten years and for appropriate penalties for the breach of any such covenant.

(3) In addition to the specific conditions set forth in this subparagraph (c), the General Assembly may place further restrictions upon, but may not relax, the conditions of eligibility for the preferential assessment provided for herein.

(d) The General Assembly may provide for a different method and time of returns, assessments, payment, and collection of ad valorem taxes of public utilities, but not on a greater assessed percentage of value or at a higher rate of taxation than other properties, except that property provided for in subparagraph (c).

SECTION II.
EXEMPTIONS FROM AD VALOREM TAXATION

Paragraph I. Unauthorized tax exemptions void. Except as authorized in or pursuant to this Constitution, all laws exempting property from ad valorem taxation are void.

Paragraph II. Exemptions from taxation of property. (a) (1) Except as otherwise provided in this Constitution, no property shall be exempted from ad valorem taxation unless the exemption is approved by two-thirds of the members elected to each branch of the General Assembly in a roll-call vote and by a majority of the qualified electors of the state voting in a referendum thereon.

(2) Homestead exemptions from ad valorem taxation levied by local taxing jurisdictions may be granted by local law conditioned upon approval by a majority of the qualified electors residing within the limits of the local taxing jurisdiction voting in a referendum thereon.

(3) Laws subject to the requirement of a referendum as provided in this subparagraph (a) may originate in either the Senate or the House of Representatives.

(4) The requirements of this subparagraph (a) shall not apply with respect to a law which codifies or recodifies an exemption previously authorized in the Constitution of 1976 or an exemption authorized pursuant to this Constitution. (b) The grant of any exemption from ad valorem taxation shall be subject to the conditions, limitations, and administrative procedures specified by law.

Paragraph III. Exemptions which may be authorized locally. (a) (1) The governing authority of any county or municipality, subject to the approval of a majority of the qualified electors of such political subdivision voting in a referendum thereon, may exempt from ad valorem taxation, including all such taxation levied for educational purposes and for state purposes, inventories of goods in the process of manufacture or production, and inventories of finished goods.

(2) Exemptions granted pursuant to this subparagraph (a) may only be revoked by a referendum election called and conducted as provided by law. The call for such referendum shall not be issued within five years from the date such exemptions were first granted and, if the results of the election are in favor of the revocation of such exemptions, then such revocation shall be effective only at the end of a five-year period from the date of such referendum.

(3) The implementation, administration, and revocation of the exemptions authorized in this subparagraph (a) shall be provided for by law. Until otherwise provided by law, the grant of the exemption shall be subject to the same conditions, limitations, definitions, and procedures provided for the grant of such exemption in the Constitution of 1976 on June 30, 1983.

(b) That portion of Article VII, Section I, Paragraph IV of the Constitution of 1976 which authorized local exemptions for certain property used in solar energy heating or cooling systems and in the manufacture of such systems is adopted by this reference as a part of this Constitution as completely as though incorporated in this Paragraph verbatim. This subparagraph (b) is repealed effective July 1, 1986.

Paragraph IV. Current property tax exemptions preserved. Those types of exemptions from ad valorem taxation provided for by law on June 30, 1983, are hereby continued in effect as statutory law until otherwise provided for by law. Any law which reduces or repeals any homestead exemption in existence on June 30, 1983, or created thereafter must be approved by two-thirds of the members elected to each branch of the General Assembly in a roll-call vote and by a majority of the qualified electors of the state or the affected local taxing jurisdiction voting in a referendum thereon. Any law which reduces or repeals exemptions granted to religious or burial grounds or institutions of purely public charity must be approved by two-thirds of the members elected to each branch of the General Assembly.

SECTION III.
PURPOSES AND METHOD OF STATE TAXATION

Paragraph I. Taxation; purposes for which powers may be exercised. (a) Except as otherwise provided in this Constitution, the power of taxation over the whole state may be exercised for any purpose authorized by law. Any purpose for which such powers may be exercised.

(b) Subject to conditions and limitations as may be provided by law, the power of taxation may be exercised to make grants for tax relief purposes to persons for sales tax paid and not otherwise reimbursed on prescription drugs. Credits or relief provided hereunder may be limited only to such reasonable classifications of taxpayers as may be specified by law.

Paragraph II. Revenue to be paid into general fund. (a) Except as otherwise provided in this Constitution, all revenue collected from taxes, fees, and assessments for state purposes, as authorized by revenue measures enacted by the General Assembly, shall be paid into the general fund of the state treasury.

(b) (1) As authorized by law providing for the promotion of any one or more types of agricultural products, fees, assessments, and other charges collected on the sale or processing of agricultural products need not be paid into the general fund of the state treasury. The uniformity requirement of this article shall be satisfied by the application of the agricultural promotion program upon the affected products.
(2) As used in this subparagraph, "agricultural products" includes, but is not limited to, registered livestock and livestock products, poultry and poultry products, timber and timber products, fish and seafood, and the products of the farms and forests of this state.

Paragraph III. Grants to counties and municipalities. State funds may be granted to counties and municipalities within the state. The grants authorized by this Paragraph shall be made in such manner and form and subject to the procedures and conditions specified by law. The law providing for any such grant may limit the purposes for which the grant funds may be expended.

SECTION IV. STATE DEBT

Paragraph I. Purposes for which debt may be incurred. The state may incur: (a) Public debt without limit to repel invasion, suppress insurrection, and defend the state in time of war.

(b) Public debt to supply a temporary deficit in the state treasury in any fiscal year created by a delay in collecting the taxes of that year. Such debt shall not exceed, in the aggregate, 5 percent of the total revenue receipts, less refunds, of the state treasury in the fiscal year immediately preceding the year in which such debt is incurred. The debt incurred shall be repaid on or before the last day of the fiscal year in which it is incurred out of taxes levied for that fiscal year. No such debt may be incurred in any fiscal year under the provisions of this subparagraph (b) if there is then outstanding unpaid debt from any previous fiscal year which was incurred to supply a temporary deficit in the state treasury.

(c) General obligation debt to acquire, construct, develop, extend, enlarge, or improve land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment, or facilities of the state, its agencies, departments, institutions, and of those state authorities which were created and activated prior to November 8, 1960.

(d) General obligation debt to provide educational facilities for county and independent school systems and, when the construction of such educational facilities has been completed, the title to such facilities shall be vested in the respective local boards of education for which such facilities were constructed.

(e) Guaranteed revenue debt by guaranteeing the payment of revenue obligations issued by an instrumentality of the state if such revenue obligations are issued to finance:

(1) Toll bridges or toll roads.
(2) Land public transportation facilities or systems.
(3) Water facilities or systems.
(4) Sewage facilities or systems.
(5) Loans to, and loan programs for, citizens of the state for educational purposes.

Paragraph II. State general obligation debt and guaranteed revenue debt; limitations. (a) As used in this Paragraph and Paragraph III of this section, "annual debt service requirements" means the total principal and interest coming due in any state fiscal year. With regard to any issue of debt incurred wholly or in part on a term basis, "annual debt service requirements" means an amount equal to the total principal and interest payments required to retire such issue in full divided by the number of years from its issue date to its maturity date.

(b) No debt may be incurred under subparagraphs (c), (d), and (e) of Paragraph I of this section or Paragraph V of this section at any time when the highest aggregate annual debt service requirements for the then current year or any subsequent year for outstanding general obligation debt and guaranteed revenue debt, including the proposed debt, and the highest aggregate annual payments for the then current year or any subsequent fiscal year of the state under all contracts then in force to which the provisions of the second paragraph of Article IX, Section VI, Paragraph I(a) of the Constitution of 1976 are applicable, exceed 10 percent of the total revenue receipts, less refunds of the state treasury in the fiscal year immediately preceding the year in which any such debt is to be incurred.

(c) No debt may be incurred under subparagraphs (c) and (d) of Paragraph I of this section at any time when the term of the debt is in excess of 25 years.

(d) No guaranteed revenue debt may be incurred to finance water or sewage treatment facilities or systems when the highest aggregate annual debt service requirements for the then current year or any subsequent fiscal year of the state for outstanding or proposed guaranteed revenue debt for water facilities or systems or sewage facilities or systems exceed 1 percent of the total revenue receipts less refunds, of the state treasury in the fiscal year immediately preceding the year in which any such debt is to be incurred.

(e) The aggregate amount of guaranteed revenue debt incurred to make loans for educational purposes that may be outstanding at any time shall not exceed $18 million, and the aggregate amount of guaranteed revenue debt incurred to purchase, or to lend or deposit against the security of, loans for educational purposes that may be outstanding at any time shall not exceed $72 million.

Paragraph III. State general obligation debt and guaranteed revenue debt; conditions upon issuance; sinking funds and reserve funds. (a) (1) General obligation debt may not be incurred until legislation is enacted stating the purposes, in general or specific terms, for which such issue of debt is to be incurred, specifying the maximum principal amount of such issue and appropriating an amount at least sufficient to pay the highest annual debt service requirements for such issue. All such appropriations for debt service purposes shall not lapse for any reason and shall continue in effect until the debt for which such appropriation was authorized shall have been incurred, but the General Assembly may repeal any such appropriation at any time prior to the incurring of such debt. The General Assembly shall raise by taxation and appropriate each fiscal year, in addition to the sum necessary to make all payments required under contracts entitled to the protection of the second paragraph of Paragraph I(a), Section VI, Article IX of the Constitution of 1976, such amounts as are necessary to pay debt service requirements in such fiscal year on all general obligation debt.

(2) (A) The General Assembly shall appropriate to a special trust fund to be designated "State of Georgia General Obligation Debt Sinking Fund" such amounts as are necessary to pay annual debt service requirements on all general obligation debt. The sinking fund shall be used solely for the retirement of general obligation debt payable from the fund. If for any reason the monies in the sinking fund are insufficient to make, when due, all payments required with respect to such general obligation debt, the first revenues thereafter received in the general fund of the state shall be set aside by the appropriate state fiscal officer to the extent necessary to cure the deficiency and shall be deposited by the fiscal officer into the sinking fund. The appropriate state fiscal officer may be required to set aside and apply such revenues at the suit of any holder of any general obligation debt incurred under this section.

(B) The obligation to make sinking fund deposits as provided in subparagraph (2)(A) shall be subordinate to the obligation imposed upon the fiscal officers of the state pursuant to the
provisions of the second paragraph of Paragraph I(a) of Section VI of Article IX of the Constitution of 1976.

(b) (1) Guaranteed revenue debt may not be incurred until legislation has been enacted authorizing the guarantee of the specific issue of revenue obligations then proposed, reciting that the General Assembly has determined such obligations will be self-liquidating over the life of the issue (which determination shall be conclusive), specifying the maximum principal amount of such issue and appropriating an amount at least equal to the highest annual debt service requirements for such issue.

(2) (A) Each appropriation made for the purposes of subparagraph (b)(1) shall be paid upon the issuance of said obligations into a special trust fund to be designated "State of Georgia Guaranteed Revenue Debt Common Reserve Fund" to be held together with all other sums similarly appropriated as a common reserve for any payments which may be required by virtue of any guarantee entered into in connection with any issue of guaranteed revenue obligations. No appropriations for the benefit of guaranteed revenue debt shall lapse unless repealed prior to the payment of the appropriation into the common reserve fund.

(B) If any payments are required to be made from the common reserve fund to meet debt service requirements on guaranteed revenue obligations by virtue of an insufficiency of revenues, the amount necessary to cure the deficiency shall be paid from the common reserve fund by the appropriate state fiscal officer. Upon any such payment, the common reserve fund shall be reimbursed from the general funds of the state within ten days following the commencement of any fiscal year of the state for any amounts so paid; provided, however, the obligation to make any such reimbursements shall be subordinate to the obligation imposed upon the fiscal officers of the state pursuant to the second paragraph of Paragraph I(a) of Section VI, Article IX of the Constitution of 1976 and shall also be subordinate to the obligation to make sinking fund deposits for the benefit of general obligation debt. The appropriate state fiscal officer may be required to apply such funds as provided in this subparagraph (b)(2)(B) at the suit of any holder of any such guaranteed revenue obligations.

(C) The amount to the credit of the common reserve fund shall at all times be at least equal to the aggregate highest annual debt service requirements on all outstanding guaranteed revenue obligations entitled to the benefit of the fund. If at the end of any fiscal year of the state the fund is in excess of the required amount, the appropriate state fiscal officer, as designated by law, shall transfer the excess amount to the general funds of the state free of said trust.

(c) The funds in the general obligation debt sinking fund and the guaranteed revenue debt common reserve fund shall be as fully invested as is practicable, consistent with the requirements to make current principal and interest payments. Any such investments shall be restricted to obligations constituting direct and general obligations of the United States government or obligations unconditionally guaranteed as to the payment of principal and interest by the United States government, maturing no longer than 12 months from date of purchase.

Paragraph IV. Certain contracts prohibited. The state, and all state institutions, departments and agencies of the state are prohibited from entering into any contract, except contracts pertaining to guaranteed revenue debt, with any public agency, public corporation, authority, or similar entity if such contract is intended to constitute security for bonds or other obligations issued by any such public agency, public corporation, or authority and, in the event any contract between the state, or any state institution, department or agency of the state and any public agency, public corporation, authority or similar entity, or any revenues from any such contract, is pledged or assigned as security for the repayment of bonds or other obligations, then and in such event, the appropriation or expenditure of any funds of the state for the payment of obligations under such contract shall likewise be prohibited.

Paragraph V. Refunding of debt. The state may incur guaranteed revenue debt or guaranteed revenue debt to fund or refund any such debt or to fund or refund any obligations issued upon the security of contracts to which the provisions of the second paragraph of Paragraph I(a), Section VI, Article IX of the Constitution of 1976 are applicable. The issue of any such debt for the purposes of said funding or refunding shall be subject to the 10 percent limitation in Paragraph II(b) of this section to the same extent as debt incurred under Paragraph I of this section; provided, however, in making such computations the annual debt service requirements and annual contract payments remaining on the debt or obligations being funded or refunded shall not be taken into account. The issuance of such debt may be accomplished by resolution of the Georgia State Financing and Investment Commission without any action on the part of the General Assembly and any appropriation made or required to be made with respect to the debt or obligation being funded or refunded shall immediately attach and inure to the benefit of the obligations to be issued in connection with such funding or refunding. Debt incurred in connection with any such funding or refunding shall be the same as that originally authorized by the General Assembly, except that general obligation debt may be incurred to fund or refund obligations issued upon the security of contracts to which the provisions of the second paragraph of Paragraph I(a), Section VI, Article IX of the Constitution of 1976 are applicable and the continuing appropriations required to be made under this Constitution shall immediately attach and inure to the benefit of the obligations to be issued in connection with such funding or refunding with the same force and effect as though said obligations so funded or refunded had originally been issued as a general obligation debt authorized hereunder. The term of a funding or refunding issue pursuant to this Paragraph shall not exceed the total interest to be paid on such original debt or obligation. The principal amount of any debt issued in connection with such funding or refunding may exceed the principal amount being funded or refunded to the extent necessary to provide for the payment of any premium thereby incurred.

Paragraph VI. Faith and credit of state pledged debt may be validated. The full faith, credit, and taxing power of the state are hereby pledged to the payment of all public debt incurred under this article and all such debt and the interest on the debt shall be exempt from taxation. Such debt may be validated by judicial proceedings in the manner provided by law. Such validation shall be incontestable and conclusive.

Paragraph VII. Georgia State Financing and Investment Commission; duties. There shall be a Georgia State Financing and Investment Commission. The commission shall consist of the Governor, the President of the Senate, the Speaker of the House of Representatives, the State Auditor, the Attorney General, the director, Fiscal Division, Department of Administrative Services, or such other officer as may be designated by law, and the Commissioner of Agriculture. The commission shall be responsible for the issuance of all public debt and for the proper application, as provided by law, of the proceeds of such debt to the purposes for which it is incurred; provided, however, the proceeds from guaranteed revenue obligations shall be paid to the issuer thereof and such proceeds and the application thereof shall be the responsibility of such issuer. Debt to be incurred at the same time for more than one purpose may be combined in one issue without stating the purpose.
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SECTION I.
PUBLIC EDUCATION

Paragraph I. Public education; free public education prior to college or postsecondary level; support by taxation. The provision of an adequate public education for the citizens shall be a primary obligation of the State of Georgia. Public education for the citizens prior to the college or postsecondary level shall be free and shall be provided for by taxation. The expense of other public education shall be provided for in such manner and in such amount as may be provided by law.
of Georgia and all of the institutions in said system shall be vested in the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia.

(c) All appropriations made for the use of any or all institutions in the university system shall be paid to the board of regents in a lump sum, with the power and authority in said board to allocate and distribute the same among the institutions under its control in such way and manner and in such amounts as will further an efficient and economical administration of the university system.

(d) The board of regents may hold, purchase, lease, sell, convey, or otherwise dispose of public property, execute conveyances thereon, and utilize the proceeds arising therefrom; may exercise the power of eminent domain in the manner provided by law; and shall have such other powers and duties as provided by law.

(e) The board of regents may accept bequests, donations, grants, and transfers of land, buildings, and other property for the use of the University System of Georgia.

(f) The qualifications, compensation, and removal from office of the members of the board of regents shall be as provided by law.

**SECTION V. LOCAL SCHOOL SYSTEMS**

Paragraph I. School systems continued; consolidation of school systems authorized; new independent school systems prohibited. Authority is granted to county and area boards of education to establish and maintain public schools within their limits. Existing county and independent school systems shall be continued, except that the General Assembly may provide by law for the consolidation of two or more county school systems, independent school systems, portions thereof, or any combination thereof into a single county or area school system under the control and management of a county or area board of education, under such terms and conditions as the General Assembly may prescribe; but no such consolidation shall become effective until approved by a majority of the qualified voters voting thereon in each separate school system proposed to be consolidated. No independent school system shall hereafter be established.

Paragraph II. Boards of education. Each school system shall be under the management and control of a board of education, the members of which shall be elected or appointed as provided by law. School board members shall reside within the territory embraced by the school system and shall have such compensation and additional qualifications as may be provided by law.

Paragraph III. School superintendents. There shall be a school superintendent of each system who shall be the executive officer of the board of education and shall have such qualifications, powers, and duties as provided by general law.

Paragraph IV. Changes in school boards and superintendents. (a) The composition of school boards, the term of office, and the methods of selecting board members and school superintendents, including whether elections shall be partisan or nonpartisan, shall be as provided by law applicable thereto on June 30, 1983, but may be changed thereafter only by local law, conditioned upon approval by a majority of the qualified voters voting thereon in the system affected. It shall not be necessary for a local law which reapportions election districts from which members of a local board of education are elected to be conditioned on the approval of the voters as herein required.

(b) School systems which are authorized on June 30, 1983, to make the changes listed in subparagraph (a) of this Paragraph shall continue to do so.

Paragraph V. Power of boards to contract with each other. (a) Any two or more boards of education may contract with each other for the care, education, and transportation of pupils and for such other activities as they may be authorized by law to perform.

(b) The General Assembly may provide by law for the sharing of facilities or services by and between local boards of education under such joint administrative authority as may be authorized.

Paragraph VI. Power of boards to accept bequests, donations, grants, and transfers. The board of education of each school system may accept bequests, donations, grants, and transfers of land, buildings, and other property for the use of such system.

Paragraph VII. Special schools. (a) The General Assembly may provide by law for the creation of special schools in such areas as may require them and may provide for the participation of local boards of education in the establishment of such schools under such terms and conditions as it may provide; but no bonded indebtedness may be incurred nor a school tax levied for the support of special schools without the approval of a majority of the qualified voters voting thereon in each of the systems affected. Any special schools shall be operated in conformity with regulations of the State Board of Education pursuant to provisions of law. The state is authorized to expend funds for the support and maintenance of special schools in such amount and manner as may be provided by law.

(b) Nothing contained herein shall be construed to affect the authority of local boards of education or of the state to support and maintain special schools created prior to June 30, 1983.

**SECTION VI. LOCAL TAXATION FOR EDUCATION**

Paragraph I. Local taxation for education. (a) The board of education of each school system shall annually certify to its fiscal authority or authorities a school tax not greater than 20 mills per dollar for the support and maintenance of education. Said fiscal authority or authorities shall annually levy said tax upon the assessed value of all taxable property within the territory served by said school system, provided that the levy made by an area board of education, which levy shall not be greater than 20 mills per dollar, shall be in such amount and within such limits as may be prescribed by local law applicable thereto.

(b) School tax funds shall be expended only for the support and maintenance of public schools, public vocational-technical schools, public education, and activities necessary or incidental thereto, including school lunch purposes.

(c) The 20 mill limitation provided for in subparagraph (a) of this Paragraph shall not apply to those school systems which are authorized on June 30, 1983, to levy a school tax in excess thereof.

(d) The method of certification and levy of the school tax provided for in subparagraph (a) of this Paragraph shall not apply to those systems that are authorized on June 30, 1983, to utilize a different method of certification and levy of such tax; but the General Assembly may by law require that such systems be brought into conformity with the method of certification and levy herein provided.

Paragraph II. Increasing or removing tax rate. The mill limitation in effect on June 30, 1983, for any school system may
be increased or removed by action of the respective boards of education, but only after such action has been approved by a majority of the qualified voters voting thereon in the particular school system to be affected in the manner provided by law.

Paragraph III. School tax collection reimbursement. The General Assembly may by general law require local boards of education to reimburse the appropriate governing authority for the collection of school taxes, provided that any rate established may be reduced by local act.

SECTION VII.
EDUCATIONAL ASSISTANCE

Paragraph I. Educational assistance programs authorized. (a) Pursuant to laws now or hereafter enacted by the General Assembly, public funds may be expended for any of the following purposes:

(1) To provide grants, scholarships, loans, or other assistance to students and to parents of students for educational purposes.

(2) To provide for a program of guaranteed loans to students and to parents of students for educational purposes and to pay interest, interest subsidies, and fees to lenders on such loans. The General Assembly is authorized to provide such tax exemptions to lenders as shall be deemed advisable in connection with such program.

(3) To match funds now or hereafter available for student assistance pursuant to any federal law.

(4) To provide grants, scholarships, loans, or other assistance to public employees for educational purposes.

(5) To provide for the purchase of loans made to students for educational purposes who have completed a program of study in a field in which critical shortages exist and for cancellation of repayment of such loans, interest, and charges thereon.

(b) Contributions made in support of any educational assistance program now or hereafter established under provisions of this section may be deductible for state income tax purposes as now or hereafter provided by law.

Paragraph II. Guaranteed revenue debt. Guaranteed revenue debt may be incurred to provide funds to make loans to students and to parents of students for educational purposes, to purchase loans made to students and to parents of students for educational purposes, or to lend or make deposits of such funds with lenders which shall be secured by loans made to students and to parents of students for educational purposes. Any such debt shall be incurred in accordance with the procedures and requirements of Article VII, Section IV of this Constitution.

Paragraph III. Public authorities. Public authorities or public corporations heretofore or hereafter created for such purposes shall be authorized to administer educational assistance programs and, in connection therewith, may exercise such powers as may now or hereafter be provided by law.

Paragraph IV. Waiver of tuition. The Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia shall be authorized to establish programs allowing attendance at units of the University System of Georgia without payment of tuition or other fees, but the General Assembly may provide by law for the establishment of any such program for the benefit of elderly citizens of the state.
under this section except as authorized under subparagraph (c) hereof.

(b) Except as provided in subparagraph (c), a county may, as an incident of its home rule power, amend or repeal the local acts applicable to its governing authority by following either of the procedures hereinafter set forth:

(1) Such local acts may be amended or repealed by a resolution or ordinance duly adopted at two regular consecutive meetings of the county governing authority not less than seven nor more than 60 days apart. A notice containing a synopsis of the proposed amendment or repeal shall be published in the official county organ once a week for three weeks within a period of 60 days immediately preceding its final adoption. Such notice shall state that a copy of the proposed amendment or repeal is on file in the office of the clerk of the superior court of the county for the purpose of examination and inspection by the public. The clerk of the superior court shall furnish anyone, upon written request, a copy of the proposed amendment or repeal. No amendment or repeal hereunder shall be valid to change or repeal an amendment adopted pursuant to a referendum as provided in (2) of this subparagraph or to change or repeal a local act of the General Assembly ratified in a referendum by the electors of such county unless at least 12 months have elapsed after such referendum. No amendment hereunder shall be valid if inconsistent with any provision of this Constitution or if provision has been made therefor by general law.

(2) Amendments to or repeals of such local acts or ordinances, resolutions, or regulations adopted pursuant to subparagraph (a) hereof may be initiated by a petition filed with the judge of the probate court of the county containing, in cases of counties with a population of 5,000 or less, the signatures of at least 25 percent of the electors registered to vote in the last general election; in cases of counties with a population of more than 5,000 but not more than 50,000, at least 20 percent of the electors registered to vote in the last general election; and, in cases of a county with a population of more than 50,000, at least 10 percent of the electors registered to vote in the last general election, which petition shall specifically set forth the exact details of the amendment or repeal. The judge of the probate court shall determine the validity of such petition within 60 days of its being filed with the judge of the probate court. In the event the judge of the probate court determines that such petition is valid, it shall be his duty to issue the call for an election for the purpose of submitting such amendment or repeal to the registered electors of the county for their approval or rejection. Such call shall be issued not less than ten nor more than 60 days after the date of the filing of the petition. He shall set the date of such election for a day not less than 60 nor more than 90 days after the date of such filing. The judge of the probate court shall cause a notice of the date of said election to be published in the official organ of the county once a week for three weeks immediately preceding such date. Said notice shall also contain a synopsis of the proposed amendment or repeal and shall state that a copy thereof is on file in the office of the judge of the probate court of the county for the purpose of examination and inspection by the public. The judge of the probate court shall furnish anyone, upon written request, a copy of the proposed amendment or repeal. If more than one-half of the votes cast on such question are for approval of the amendment or repeal, it shall become of full force and effect; otherwise, it shall be void and of no force and effect. The expense of such election shall be borne by the county, and it shall be the duty of the judge of the probate court to hold and conduct such election. Such election shall be held under the same laws and rules and regulations as govern special elections, except as otherwise provided herein. It shall be the duty of the judge of the probate court to canvass the returns and declare and certify the result of the election. It shall be his further duty to certify the result thereof to the Secretary of State in accordance with the provisions of subparagraph (g) of this Paragraph. A referendum on any such amendment or repeal shall not be held more often than once each year. No amendment hereunder shall be valid if inconsistent with any provision of this Constitution or if provision has been made therefor by general law.

In the event that the judge of the probate court determines that such petition was not valid, he shall cause to be published in explicit detail the reasons why such petition is not valid; provided, however, that, in any proceeding in which the validity of the petition is at issue, the tribunal considering such issue shall not be limited by the reasons assigned. Such publication shall be in the official organ of the county in the week immediately following the date on which such petition is declared to be not valid.

(c) The power granted to counties in subparagraphs (a) and (b) above shall not be construed to extend to the following matters or any other matters which the General Assembly by general law has preempted or may hereafter preempt, but such matters shall be the subject of general law or the subject of local acts of the General Assembly to the extent that the enactment of such local acts is otherwise permitted under this Constitution:

(1) Action affecting any elective county office, the salaries thereof, or the personnel thereof, except the personnel subject to the jurisdiction of the county governing authority.

(2) Action affecting the composition, form, procedure for election or appointment, compensation, and expenses and allowances in the nature of compensation of the county governing authority.

(3) Action defining any criminal offense or providing for criminal punishment.

(4) Action adopting any form of taxation beyond that authorized by law or by this Constitution.

(5) Action extending the power of regulation over any business activity regulated by the Georgia Public Service Commission beyond that authorized by local or general law or by this Constitution.

(6) Action affecting the exercise of the power of eminent domain.

(7) Action affecting any court or the personnel thereof.

(8) Action affecting any public school system.

(d) The power granted in subparagraphs (a) and (b) of this Paragraph shall not include the power to take any action affecting the private or civil law governing private or civil relationships, except as is incident to the exercise of an independent governmental power.

(e) Nothing in subparagraphs (a), (b), (c), or (d) shall affect the provisions of subparagraph (f) of this Paragraph.

(f) The governing authority of each county is authorized to fix the salary, compensation, and expenses of those employed by such governing authority and to establish and maintain retirement or pension systems, insurance, workers' compensation, and hospitalization benefits for said employees.

(g) No amendment or revision of any local act made pursuant to subparagraph (b) of this section shall become effective until a copy of such amendment or revision, a copy of the required notice of publication, and an affidavit of a duly authorized representative of the newspaper in which such notice was published to the effect that said notice has been published as provided in said subparagraph has been filed with the Secretary of State. The Secretary of State shall provide for the publica-
tion and distribution of all such amendments and revisions at least annually.

Paragraph II. Home rule for municipalities. The General Assembly may provide by law for the self-government of municipalities and to that end is expressly given the authority to delegate its power so that matters pertaining to municipalities may be dealt with without the necessity of action by the General Assembly.

Paragraph III. Supplementary powers. (a) In addition to and supplementary of all powers possessed by or conferred upon any county, municipality, or any combination thereof, any county, municipality, or any combination thereof may exercise the following powers and provide the following services:

(1) Police and fire protection.
(2) Garbage and solid waste collection and disposal.
(3) Public health facilities and services, including hospitals, ambulance and emergency rescue services, and animal control.
(4) Street and road construction and maintenance, including curbs, sidewalks, street lights, and devices to control the flow of traffic on streets and roads constructed by counties and municipalities or any combination thereof.
(5) Parks, recreational areas, programs, and facilities.
(6) Storm water and sewage collection and disposal systems.
(7) Development, storage, treatment, purification, and distribution of water.
(8) Public housing.
(9) Public transportation.
(10) Libraries, transportation, and facilities.
(11) Terminal and dock facilities and parking facilities.
(12) Codes, including building, housing, plumbing, and electrical codes.
(13) Air quality control.
(14) The power to maintain and modify heretofore existing retirement or pension systems, including such systems heretofore created by general laws of local application by population classification, and to continue in effect or modify other benefits heretofore provided as a part of or in addition to such retirement or pension systems and the power to create and maintain retirement or pension systems for any elected or appointed public officers and employees whose compensation is paid in whole or in part from county or municipal funds and for the beneficiaries of such officers and employees.

(b) Unless otherwise provided by law, (1) No county may exercise any of the powers listed in subparagraph (a) of this Paragraph or provide any service listed therein outside the boundaries of any municipality or any other county except by contract with the municipality or county affected; and

(2) No municipality may exercise any of the powers listed in subparagraph (a) of this Paragraph or provide any service listed therein outside its own boundaries except by contract with the county or municipality affected.

(c) Nothing contained within this Paragraph shall operate to prohibit the General Assembly from enacting general laws relative to the subject matters listed in subparagraph (a) of this Paragraph or to prohibit the General Assembly by general law from regulating, restricting, or limiting the exercise of the powers listed therein; but it may not withdraw any such powers.

(d) Except as otherwise provided in subparagraph (b) of this Paragraph, the General Assembly shall act upon the subject matters listed in subparagraph (a) of this Paragraph only by general law.

Paragraph IV. Planning and zoning. The governing authority of each county and of each municipality may adopt plans and may exercise the power of zoning. This authorization shall not prohibit the General Assembly from enacting general laws establishing procedures for the exercise of such power.

Paragraph V. Eminent domain. The governing authority of each county and of each municipality may exercise the power of eminent domain for any public purpose.

Paragraph VI. Special districts. As hereinafter provided in this Paragraph, special districts may be created for the provision of local government services within such districts; and fees, assessments, and taxes may be levied and collected with the districts to pay, wholly or partially, the cost of providing such services therein and to construct and maintain facilities therefor. Such special districts may be created and fees, assessments, or taxes may be levied and collected therein by any one or more of the following methods:

(a) By general law which directly creates the districts.
(b) By general law which requires the creation of districts under conditions specified by such general law.
(c) By municipal or county ordinance or resolution, except that no such ordinance or resolution may supersede a law enacted by the General Assembly pursuant to subparagraphs (a) or (b) of this Paragraph.

Paragraph VII. Community redevelopment. (a) The General Assembly may authorize any county, municipality, or housing authority to undertake and carry out community redevelopment, which may include the sale or other disposition of property acquired by eminent domain to private enterprise for private uses.

(b) In addition to the authority granted by subparagraph (a) of this Paragraph, the General Assembly is authorized to grant to counties or municipalities for redevelopment purposes and in connection with redevelopment programs, as such purposes and programs are defined by general law, the power to issue tax allocation bonds, as defined by such law, and the power to incur other obligations, without either such bonds or obligations constituting debt within the meaning of Section V of this article, and the power to enter into contracts for any period not exceeding 30 years with private persons, firms, corporations, and business entities. Notwithstanding the grant of these powers pursuant to general law, no county or municipality may exercise these powers unless so authorized by local law and unless such powers are exercised in conformity with those terms and conditions for such exercise as established by that local law. The provisions of any such local law shall conform to those requirements established by general law regarding such powers. become effective unless approved in a referendum by a majority of the qualified voters voting thereon in the county or municipality directly affected by that local law.

Paragraph VIII. Limitation on the taxing power and contributions of counties, municipalities, and political subdivisions. The General Assembly shall not authorize any county, municipality, or other political subdivision of this state, through taxation, contribution, or otherwise, to appropriate money for or to lend its credit to any person or to any nonpublic corporation or association except for purely charitable purposes.

Paragraph IX. Immunity of counties, municipalities, and school districts. The General Assembly may waive the immunity of counties, municipalities, and school districts by law.
SECTION III. INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS

Paragraph I. Intergovernmental contracts. (a) The state, or any institution, department, or other agency thereof, and any county, municipality, school district, or other political subdivision of the state may contract for any period not exceeding 50 years with each other or with any other public agency, public corporation, or public authority for joint services, for the provision of services, or for the joint or separate use of facilities or equipment; but such contracts must deal with activities, services, or facilities which the contracting parties are authorized by law to undertake or provide.

(b) Subject to such limitations as may be provided by general law, any county, municipality, or political subdivision thereof may, in connection with any contracts authorized in this Paragraph, convey any existing facilities or equipment to the state or to any public agency, public corporation, or public authority.

(c) Any county, municipality, or any combination thereof, may contract with any public agency, public corporation, or public authority for the care, maintenance, and hospitalization of its indigent sick and may as a part of such contract agree to pay for the cost of acquisition, construction, modernization, or repairs of necessary land, buildings, and facilities by such public agency, public corporation, or public authority and provide for the payment of such services and the cost to such public agency, public corporation, or public authority of acquisition, construction, modernization, or repair of land, buildings, and facilities from revenues realized by such county, municipality, or any combination thereof from any taxes authorized by this Constitution or revenues derived from any other source.

Paragraph II. Local government reorganization. (a) The General Assembly may provide by law for any matters necessary or convenient to authorize the consolidation of the governmental and corporate powers and functions vested in municipalities with the governmental and corporate powers and functions vested in a county or in counties in which such municipalities are located; provided, however, that no such consolidation shall become effective unless separately approved by a majority of the qualified voters of the county or of each of the counties and of the municipality or each of the municipalities located within such county or counties containing at least 10 percent of the population of the county in which located voting thereon in such manner as may be prescribed in such law. Such law may provide procedures and requirements for the establishment of charter commissions to draft proposed charters for the consolidated government, and the General Assembly is expressly authorized to delegate its powers to such charter commissions for such purposes so that the governmental consolidation proposed by a charter commission may become effective without the necessity of further action by the General Assembly; or such law may require that the recommendation of any such charter commission be implemented by a subsequent local law.

(b) The General Assembly may provide by general law for alternatives other than governmental consolidation as authorized in subparagraph (a) above for the reorganization of county and municipal governments, including, but not limited to, procedures to establish a single governing body as the governing authority of a county and a municipality or municipalities located within such county or for the redistribution of powers between a county and a municipality or municipalities located within the county. Such law may require the form of governmental reorganization authorized by such law to be approved by the qualified voters directly affected thereby voting in such manner as may be required in such law.

(c) Nothing in this Paragraph shall be construed to limit the authority of the General Assembly to repeal municipal charters without a referendum.

SECTION IV. TAXATION POWER OF COUNTY AND MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENTS

Paragraph I. Power of taxation. (a) Except as otherwise provided in this Paragraph, the governing authority of any county, municipality, or combination thereof may exercise the power of taxation as authorized by this Constitution or by general law.

(b) In the absence of a general law:

(1) County governing authorities may be authorized by local law to levy and collect business and occupational license taxes and license fees only in the unincorporated areas of the counties. The General Assembly may provide that the revenues raised by such tax or fee be spent for the provision of services only in the unincorporated areas of the county.

(2) Municipal governing authorities may be authorized by local law to levy and collect taxes and fees in the corporate limits of the municipalities.

(c) The General Assembly may provide by law for the taxation of insurance companies on the basis of gross direct premiums received from insurance policies within the unincorporated areas of counties. The tax authorized herein may be imposed by the state or by counties or by the state for county purposes as may be provided by law. The General Assembly may further provide by law for the reduction, only upon taxable property within the unincorporated areas of counties, of the ad valorem tax millage rate for county or county school district purposes or for the reduction of such ad valorem tax millage rate for both such purposes in connection with imposing or authorizing the imposition of the tax authorized herein or in connection with providing for the distribution of the proceeds derived from the tax authorized herein.

Paragraph II. Power of expenditure. The governing authority of any county, municipality, or combination thereof may expend public funds to perform any public service or public function as authorized by this Constitution or by law to perform any other service or function as authorized by this Constitution or by general law.

Paragraph III. Purposes of taxation; allocation of taxes. No levy need state the particular purposes for which the same was made nor shall any taxes collected be allocated for any particular purpose, unless otherwise provided by this Constitution or by law.

SECTION V. LIMITATION ON LOCAL DEBT

Paragraph I. Debt limitations of counties, municipalities, and other political subdivisions. (a) The debt incurred by any county, municipality, or other political subdivision of this state, including debt incurred on behalf of any special district, shall never exceed 10 percent of the assessed value of all taxable property within such county, municipality, or political subdivision; and no such county, municipality, or other political subdivision shall incur any new debt without the assent of a majority of the qualified voters of such county, municipality, or political subdivision voting in an election held for that purpose as provided by law.

(b) Notwithstanding subparagraph (a) of this Paragraph, all local school systems which are authorized by law on June 30, 1983, to incur debt in excess of 10 percent of the assessed value of all taxable property therein shall continue to be authorized to incur such debt.
Paragraph II. Special district debt. Any unincorporated, unincorporated political subdivision of this state may incur debt on behalf of any special district created pursuant to Paragraph VI of Section II of this article. Such debt may be incurred on behalf of such special district where the county, municipality, or other political subdivision shall have, at or before the time of incurring such debt, provided for the assessment and collection of an annual tax within the special district sufficient in amount to pay the principal of and interest on such debt within 30 years from the date of issuance thereof, and such county, municipality, or other political subdivision shall incur any debt on behalf of such special district without the assent of a majority of the qualified voters of such special district voting in an election held for that purpose as provided by law. No such county, municipality, or other political subdivision shall incur any debt on behalf of such special district in an amount which, when taken together with all other debt outstanding incurred by such county, municipality, or other political subdivision and on behalf of any such special district, exceeds 10 percent of the assessed value of all taxable property within such county, municipality, or political subdivision. The proceeds of the tax collected as provided herein shall be placed in a sinking fund to be held on behalf of such special district and used exclusively to pay off the principal of and interest on such debt thereafter maturing. Such moneys shall be held and kept separate and apart from all other revenues collected and may be invested and reinvested as provided by law.

Paragraph III. Refunding of outstanding indebtedness. The governing authority of any county, municipality, or other political subdivision of this state may provide for the refunding of outstanding bonded indebtedness without the necessity of a referendum being held therefor, provided that neither the term of the original bond is extended nor the interest rate of the original bond is increased. The principal amount of any debt issued in connection with such refunding may exceed the principal amount being refunded in order to reduce the total principal and interest payment requirements over the remaining term of the original issue. The proceeds of the refunding issue shall be used solely to retire the original debt. The original debt refunded shall not constitute debt within the meaning of Paragraph I of this section; but the refunding issue shall constitute a debt such as will count against the limitation on debt measured by 10 percent of assessed value of taxable property as expressed in Paragraph I of this section.

Paragraph IV. Exceptions to debt limitations. Notwithstanding the debt limitations provided in Paragraph I of this section and without the necessity for a referendum being held therefor, the governing authority of any county, municipality, or other political subdivision of this state may, subject to the conditions and limitations as may be provided by general law:

(1) Accept and use funds granted by and obtain loans from the federal government or any agency thereof pursuant to conditions imposed by federal law.

(2) Incur debt, by way of borrowing from any person, corporation, or association as well as from the state, to pay in whole or in part the cost of property valuation and equalization programs for ad valorem tax purposes.

Paragraph V. Temporary loans authorized. The governing authority of any county, municipality, or other political subdivision of this state may incur debt by obtaining temporary loans in each year to pay expenses. The aggregate amount of all such loans shall not exceed 75 percent of the total gross income from taxes collected in the last preceding year. Such loans shall be payable on or before December 31 of the calendar year in which such loan is made. No such loan may be obtained when there is a loan then unpaid obtained in any prior year. No such county, municipality, or other political subdivision of this state shall incur in any one calendar year an aggregate of such temporary loans or other contracts, notes, warrants, or obligations for current expenses in excess of the total anticipated revenue for such calendar year.

Paragraph VI. Levy of taxes to pay bonds; sinking fund required. Any county, municipality, or other political subdivision of this state shall at or before the time of incurring bonded indebtedness provide for the assessment and collection of an annual tax sufficient in amount to pay the principal and interest of said debt within 30 years from the incurring of such bonded indebtedness. The proceeds of this tax, together with any other moneys collected for this purpose, shall be placed in a sinking fund to be used exclusively for paying the principal of and interest on such bonded debt. Such moneys shall be held and kept separate and apart from all other revenues collected and may be invested and reinvested as provided by law.

Paragraph VII. Validity of prior bond issues. Any and all bond issues validated and issued prior to June 30, 1983, shall continue to be valid.

SECTION VI. REVENUE BONDS

Paragraph I. Revenue bonds; general limitations. Any county, municipality, or other political subdivision of this state may issue revenue bonds as provided by general law. The obligation represented by revenue bonds shall be repayable only out of the revenue derived from the project and shall not be deemed to be a debt of the issuing political subdivision. No such issuing political subdivision shall exercise the power of taxation for the purpose of paying any part of the principal or interest of any such revenue bonds.

Paragraph II. Revenue bonds; special limitations. Where revenue bonds are issued by any county, municipality, or other political subdivision of this state in order to buy, construct, extend, operate, or maintain gas or electric generating or distribution systems and necessary appurtenances thereof and the gas or electric generating or distribution system extends beyond the limits of the county in which the municipality or other political subdivision is located, then its services rendered and property located outside said county shall be subject to taxation and regulation in the same manner as are privately owned and operated utilities.

Paragraph III. Development authorities. The development of trade, commerce, industry, and employment opportunities being a public purpose vital to the welfare of the people of this state, the General Assembly may create development authorities to promote and further such purposes or may authorize the creation of such an authority by any county or municipality or combination thereof under such uniform terms and conditions as it may deem necessary. The General Assembly may exempt from taxation development authority obligations, properties, activities, or income and may authorize the issuance of revenue bonds by such authorities which shall not constitute an indebtedness of the state within the meaning of Section V of this article.

Paragraph IV. Validation. The General Assembly shall provide for the validation of any revenue bonds authorized and shall provide that such validation shall thereafter be incontestable and conclusive.

Paragraph V. Validity of prior revenue bond issues. All revenue bonds issued and validated prior to June 30, 1983, shall continue to be valid.
ARTICLE X.
AMENDMENTS TO THE CONSTITUTION

SECTION I.
CONSTITUTION, HOW AMENDED

Paragraph I. Proposals to amend the Constitution; new Constitution. Amendments to this Constitution or a new Constitution may be proposed by the General Assembly or by a constitutional convention, as provided in this article. Only amendments which are of general and uniform applicability throughout the state shall be proposed, passed, or submitted to the people.

Paragraph II. Proposals by the General Assembly; submission to the people. A proposal by the General Assembly to amend this Constitution or to provide for a new Constitution shall originate as a resolution in either the Senate or the House of Representatives and, if approved by two-thirds of the members to which each house is entitled in a roll-call vote entered on their respective journals, shall be submitted to the electors of the entire state at the next general election which is held in the even-numbered years. A summary of such proposal shall be prepared by the Attorney General, the Legislative Counsel, and the Secretary of State and shall be published in the official organ of each county and, if deemed advisable by the “Constitutional Amendments Publication Board,” in not more than 20 other newspapers in the state designated by such board which meet the qualifications for being selected as the official organ of a county. Said board shall be composed of the Governor, the Lieutenant Governor, and the Speaker of the House of Representatives. Such summary shall be published once each week for three consecutive weeks immediately preceding the day of the general election at which such proposal is to be submitted. The language to be used in submitting a proposed amendment or a new Constitution shall be in such words as the General Assembly may provide in the resolution or, in the absence thereof, in such language as the Governor may prescribe. A copy of the entire proposed amendment or of a new Constitution shall be filed in the office of the judge of the probate court of each county and shall be available for public inspection; and the summary of the proposal shall so indicate. The General Assembly is hereby authorized to provide by law for additional matters relative to the publication and distribution of proposed amendments and summaries not in conflict with the provisions of this Paragraph. If such proposal is ratified by a majority of the electors qualified to vote for members of the General Assembly voting thereon in such general election, such proposal shall become a part of this Constitution or shall become a new Constitution, as the case may be. Any proposal so approved shall take effect as provided in Paragraph VI of this article. When more than one amendment is submitted at the same time, they shall be so submitted as to enable the electors to vote on each amendment separately, provided that one or more new articles or related changes in one or more articles may be submitted as a single amendment.

Paragraph III. Repeal or amendment of proposal. Any proposal by the General Assembly to amend this Constitution or for a new Constitution may be amended or repealed by the same General Assembly which adopted such proposal by the affirmative vote of two-thirds of the members to which each house is entitled in a roll-call vote entered on their respective journals, if such action is taken at least two months prior to the date of the election at which such proposal is to be submitted to the people.

Paragraph IV. Constitutional convention; how called. No convention of the people shall be called by the General Assembly to amend this Constitution or to propose a new Constitution, unless by the concurrence of two-thirds of the members to which each house of the General Assembly is entitled. The representation in said convention shall be based on population as near as practicable. A proposal by the convention to amend this Constitution or for a new Constitution shall be advertised, submitted to, and ratified by the people in the same manner provided for advertisement, submission, and ratification of proposals to amend the Constitution by the General Assembly. The General Assembly is hereby authorized to provide the procedure by which a convention is to be called and under which such convention shall operate and for other matters relative to such constitutional convention.

Paragraph V. Veto not permitted. The Governor shall not have the right to veto any proposal by the General Assembly or by a convention to amend this Constitution or to provide a new Constitution.

Paragraph VI. Effective date of amendments or of a new Constitution. Unless the amendment or the new Constitution itself or the resolution proposing the amendment or the new Constitution shall provide otherwise, an amendment to this Constitution or a new Constitution shall become effective on the first day of January following its ratification.

ARTICLE XI.
MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS

SECTION I.
MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS

Paragraph I. Continuation of officers, boards, commissions, and authorities. (a) Except as otherwise provided in this Constitution, the officers of the state and all political subdivisions thereof in office on June 30, 1983, shall continue in the exercise of their functions and duties, subject to the provisions of laws applicable thereto and subject to the provisions of this Constitution.

(b) All boards, commissions, and authorities specifically named in the Constitution of 1976 which are not specifically named in this Constitution shall remain as statutory boards, commissions, and authorities; and all constitutional and statutory provisions relating thereto in force and effect on June 30, 1983, shall remain in force and effect as statutory law unless and until changed by the General Assembly.

Paragraph II. Preservation of existing laws; judicial review. All laws in force and effect on June 30, 1983, not inconsistent with this Constitution shall remain in force and effect; but such laws may be amended or repealed and shall be subject to judicial decision as to their validity when passed and to any limitations imposed by their own terms.

Paragraph III. Proceedings of courts and administrative tribunals confirmed. All judgments, decrees, orders, and other proceedings of the several courts and administrative tribunals of this state, heretofore made within the limits of their several jurisdictions, are hereby ratified and affirmed, subject only to reversal or modification in the manner provided by law.

Paragraph IV. Continuation of certain constitutional amendments for a period of four years. (a) The following amendments to the Constitutions of 1877, 1945, and 1976 shall continue in force and effect as part of this Constitution until July 1, 1987, at which time said amendments shall be repealed and shall be deleted as a part of this Constitution unless any such amendment shall be specifically continued in force and effect without amendment either by a local law enacted prior to July 1, 1987, with or without a referendum as provided by law, or by an ordinance or resolution duly adopted prior to July 1, 1987, by the local governing authority in the manner provided for the adoption of home rule amendments to its charter or local act: (1) amendments to the Constitution of 1877 and the Con-
stitution of 1945 which were continued in force and effect as a part of the Constitution of 1976 pursuant to the provisions of Article XIII, Section I, Paragraph II of the Constitution of 1976 which are in force and effect on the effective date of this Constitution; (2) amendments to the Constitution of 1976 which were ratified as general amendments but which by their terms applied principally to a particular political subdivision or subdivisions which are in force and effect on the effective date of this Constitution; (3) amendments to the Constitution of 1976 which were ratified not as general amendments which are in force and effect on the effective date of this Constitution; and (4) amendments to the Constitution of 1976 of the type provided for in the immediately preceding two subparagraphs (2) and (3) of this Paragraph which were ratified at the same time this Constitution was ratified.

(b) Any amendment which is continued in force and effect after July 1, 1987, pursuant to the provisions of subparagraph (a) of this Paragraph shall be continued in force and effect as a part of this Constitution, except that such amendment may thereafter be repealed but may not be amended.

(c) All laws enacted pursuant to those amendments to the Constitution which are not continued in force and effect pursuant to subparagraph (a) of this Paragraph shall be repealed on July 1, 1987. All laws validly enacted on, before, or after July 1, 1987, and pursuant to the specific authorization of an amendment continued in force and effect pursuant to the provisions of subparagraph (a) of this Paragraph shall be legal, valid, and constitutional under this Constitution. Nothing in this subparagraph (c) shall be construed to revive any law not in force and effect on June 30, 1987.

(d) Notwithstanding the provisions of subparagraphs (a) and (b), the following amendments to the Constitutions of 1877 and 1945 shall be continued in force as a part of this Constitution: amendments to the Constitution of 1877 and the Constitution of 1945 which created or authorized the creation of metropolitan rapid transit authorities, port authorities, and industrial areas and which were continued in force as a part of the Constitution of 1976 pursuant to the provisions of Article XIII, Section I, Paragraph II of the Constitution of 1976 and which are in force on the effective date of this Constitution.

Paragraph V. Special commission created. Amendments to the Constitution of 1976 which were determined to be general and which were submitted to and ratified by the people of the entire state at the same time this Constitution was ratified shall be incorporated and made a part of this Constitution as provided in this Paragraph. There is hereby created a commission to be composed of the Governor, the President of the Senate, the Speaker of the House of Representatives, the Attorney General, and the Legislative Counsel, which is hereby authorized and directed to incorporate such amendments into this Constitution at the places deemed most appropriate to the commission. The commission shall make only such changes in the language of this Constitution and of such amendments as are necessary to incorporate properly such amendments into this Constitution and shall complete its duties prior to July 1, 1983. The commission shall deliver to the Secretary of State this Constitution with those amendments incorporated therein, and such document shall be the Constitution of the State of Georgia. In order that the commission may perform its duties, this Paragraph shall become effective as soon as it has been officially determined that this Constitution has been ratified. The commission shall stand abolished upon the completion of its duties.

Paragraph VI. Effective date. Except as provided in Paragraph V of this section, this Constitution shall become effective on July 1, 1983; and, except as otherwise provided in this Constitution, all previous Constitutions and all amendments thereto shall thereupon stand repealed.
Chapter II

STATE ELECTED OFFICES

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

THE GOVERNOR

The Governor of the State of Georgia is a constitutional officer, recognized as such in all of the State Constitutions from the first of 1777 through the tenth of 1983. As the head of the Executive Branch he is vested with many powers and charged with duties too numerous to be listed here. He is the commander-in-chief of the National Guard and is the chief law enforcement official of the State. By law he is ex-officio a member of many boards, bureaus, commissions and committees. The Governor has the power of veto over enactments of the General Assembly with the exception of Constitutional Amendments. The General Assembly does have the authority to override a Governor's veto. The Governor has five days, excluding Sundays, in which to approve bills received by him from the General Assembly while it is in Session. After the General Assembly adjourns, he has thirty days, excluding Sundays, from the date of adjournment in which to approve or veto bills. If the Governor fails to approve or veto a bill within the required time, the bill automatically becomes law without his signature. The Governor makes appointments between sessions of the General Assembly to fill most appointive offices in government, but all original appointments made by him must be confirmed by the Senate. He likewise appoints to fill unexpired terms in most elective offices until the next regular or special election.

The Governor is elected at a general election held on Tuesday, after the first Monday in November, in each fourth year after 1946. The Governor serves a four-year term and may seek re-election for one additional succeeding term. The term commences with the Governor's inauguration which occurs during the first week of the General Assembly session which immediately follows the general election.

Minimum eligibility requirements for the Office of Governor are U.S. citizenship for fifteen years, legal residency of the State for six years immediately preceding the election and at least thirty years of age.

Authority and responsibilities of this Department are enumerated in OCGA, Title 45-12 and the State Constitution. In the absence of a Governor, the Lieutenant Governor becomes Governor.

HISTORY. The Office of Governor traces its origins to colonial times. Although Oglethorpe, the first executive officer of the colony, had no official title, he is referred to as "Resident Trustee". Those succeeding Oglethorpe during the Trustee period were titled Presidents of the Colony of Georgia. The title of Governor was first used during the Royal period. During the Revolutionary War, a provincial government came into power and gubernatorial responsibilities shifted to the President of the Council of Safety. However, the Royal Governor and his council remained in office until 1776 when the Council of Safety placed the Royal Governor (James Wright) under house arrest. Wright fled from Georgia but returned in 1779 and continued as Governor of the British held portion of Georgia until 1782. The Constitution of 1777 provided for a governor to be elected by the legislature, but greatly limited his authority. The Constitution of 1789 provided the Governor with veto power over legislation. An 1824 amendment to the 1798 Constitution provided for the popular election of the Governor. In the case of death, resignation or disability of the Governor, all constitutions since 1789 provided for executive power to pass to the President of the Senate (the 1777 Constitution provided for executive power to pass to the President of the Executive Council). The Lieutenant Governor was designated as President of the Senate in the 1945 Constitution.

Governor's Staff

The Governor's staff is responsible for providing a broad variety of services to the executive branch of state government, the General Assembly, and the general public.

Staff functions are varied and diverse and include policy analysis, scheduling the Governor's appointments, answering his correspondence, writing speeches and press releases, representing the Governor at functions when he is unable to attend, preparing executive orders and executive minutes and other executive documents, processing criminal extraditions, processing resignations and other vacancies and appointments of judicial officials and executive officials, monitoring legislation and monitoring state programs for effectiveness and efficiency. The Governor's staff also handles special projects and research for the Governor and must also maintain records on state licensing and examining boards, regulatory commissions, and on other executive boards and commissions. In addition to handling the day-to-day crisis concerning budget matters, agency problems, and human needs, the Governor's staff provides information to the news media on the Governor's activities and provides liaison with state agency heads, members of the General Assembly, local governments, Georgia's Congressional and Senatorial offices, Executive Departments of other states, governments of other nations, and the general public.


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The Office of Planning and Budget (OPB) was created through Reorganization in 1972 to provide professional staff services to the Governor. It was one of the nation's pioneer state agencies in combining into one operation the important functions of budget analysis and policy planning.

In the area of budget analysis, OPB has three major responsibilities—fiscal policy development, development of the annual state budget, and management of the budget and fiscal affairs for the Executive Branch.

OPB's role in policy planning involves efforts to ensure the orderly and balanced development of Georgia's human, economic and physical resources. This process includes a comprehensive assessment of the needs of the state and, working with budget analysis, an assessment of how the state can best allocate its resources to meet these needs.

In addition to policy planning, OPB's policy analysts also are responsible for guiding and coordinating the functional planning efforts of state agencies.

Other specialized activities of OPB are described in the following descriptions of the responsibilities of each of the divisions within OPB.

Office of Planning and Budget

The Office of Planning and Budget traces its origins to the Budget Bureau which was established in 1931 in the Office of the Governor (Ga. L. 1931 Ex. Session, p. 94). This forerunner of OPB was charged with promoting economy and efficiency in the management of the State's finances. The enacting legislation for the Budget Bureau repealed the Acts of 1918 and 1922 which established the Examining Commission and State Investigating and Budget Commission respectively.

The operations of the Budget Bureau were amended in 1943 with the establishment of the Finance Commission charged with acting on any budget appeals filed by State agencies (Ga. L. 1943, p. 298). All acts relating to the Budget Bureau were superseded by a 1962 Act (Ga. L. 1962, p. 17).

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The Office of Planning and Budget is headed by a Director appointed by the Governor. Authority and responsibilities of this Department are enumerated in OCGA Title 45-12.

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Educational Development Division — This Division performs all functions relating to budget analysis and policy planning for the agencies of State Government responsible for administering State laws relating to public schools, higher education, and scholarships.

Human Development Division — This Division performs all functions relating to budget analysis and policy planning for the agencies of State Government responsible for delivering social, health and other human services to the citizens of Georgia.

General Government Division — This Division performs all functions relating to budget analysis and policy planning for the agencies of State Government responsible for administering State laws relating to the protection of persons and property and for delivering services relating to general government activities.

Physical and Economic Development Division — This Division performs all functions relating to budget analysis and policy planning for the agencies of State Government responsible for program development involving the Appalachian and Coastal Plains Regional Commissions and for Economic Development Planning and Planned Growth activities.
Management Review Division — This Division is responsible for providing a program of management review services. The Division provides technical and managerial assistance to the Governor and to state agencies for the identification and solution of specific problems and the improvement of overall operations; provides coordination and direction of special economy and efficiency studies; assists in the study, installation, and utilization of data processing systems; and assists in the implementations of recommended improvements as requested or directed. This Division also supervises the State Clearinghouse and State Data Center. The Clearinghouse serves as the liaison between the Federal Government and the State and local governments regarding a wide range of federal funding projects and other programs. The Data Center prepares, maintains, and furnishes demographic data for the state and coordinates and standardizes statistical information.

Facilities Management Division — This Division, consisting of an architect and an engineer, provides technical and engineering advice to the Governor and state agencies on matters relating to facilities management, design and maintenance, space allocation, and acquisition of major capital outlay.

Georgia Council for the Arts and Humanities — The Council, a budget unit within the Office of Planning and Budget, is responsible for promoting the arts in Georgia through a program of grants and through technical assistance with a goal of building and strengthening the creative resources of the state. The Council is a 24-member group appointed by the Governor. The day-to-day activities of the Council are handled by a full-time Director appointed by the OPB Director based on the Council’s recommendations.

Internal Operations Division — This Division is responsible for providing support services to all Divisions and personnel within the Office of Planning and Budget, and the Governor’s Office. These services include preparation of the budget, maintenance of agency fiscal records, supervision of purchases, supplies and inventory control, preparations of all graphic materials, and performance of all personnel services. This Division also provides these same services to the Office of Consumer Affairs, the Consumers’ Utility Counsel, and the Governor’s Committee on Postsecondary Education under the “administrative purposes only” provision of Reorganization.

**LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR**

The Lieutenant Governor is President of the Senate and has such executive duties as prescribed by the Governor and as may be prescribed by law not inconsistent with the powers of the Governor or other provisions of the Constitution (1983 Consti., Art. V, Sec. 1, Par. VIII). The Lieutenant Governor serves on numerous boards, authorities, and commissions. The office is budgeted through the Legislative branch of government.

In the case of death, resignation or disability of the Governor, the Lieutenant Governor assumes the office of Governor until the next general election, at which time a successor to the Governor shall be elected for the unexpired term. If the Lieutenant Governor shall become a candidate for the unexpired term, he shall thereby resign his office as Lieutenant Governor, effective upon the qualification of the Governor-elected for the unexpired term, and his successor for the unexpired term shall be elected at such election.

The Office of Lieutenant Governor of the State was created by the Constitution of 1945 (Art. V, Sec. I, Par. VII). Although listed as a part of the executive branch, its duties are both legislative and executive. The Lieutenant Governor is elected for a term of four years at the general election in which the Governor and other constitutional officers are elected. To be eligible for election, the candidate must have been a citizen of the United States for fifteen years and a legal resident of the state for six years immediately preceding the election and shall have attained the age of thirty years by the date of assuming office.


Marti Pingree, *Administrative Assistant* to Lt. Governor

Martha Gillian, *Personal Secretary* to Lt. Governor

Sarah Eby-Ebersole, *Press Secretary* to Lt. Governor

Mary Beasley, *Scheduling Assistant* to Lt. Governor

**OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE**

The Secretary of State is the major keeper of records for, and issues a wide range of licenses and certificates on behalf of, state government. The Secretary administers the State’s election laws and serves as ex-officio commissioner of corporations and securities. He also maintains a central record of notaries public, registers governmental lobbyists, keeps the state registry of trademarks and servicemarks, and administers the licensing of specified professions. He manages the official records of state government, including those designated for permanent preservation. He is keeper of the official state flag and the Great Seal of Georgia, provides state liaison with foreign consuls in Georgia, and supplies information on Georgia and state government to the public and the media.

The Secretary of State is elected at the same general election in which the Governor is elected. Each term of office is four years. Minimum qualifications for the office are citizenship for ten years, residence in Georgia for six years, and age of twenty-five years.

The office is authorized by the Constitution of Georgia. Statutory authorization is listed under the Divisions of this Office.

**HISTORY.** The Office of Secretary of State is one of the oldest in Georgia’s executive branch. The Constitution of 1777 mentioned “the secretary” of “the governor and the executive council” (Art. XXX, Marbury and Crawford, p. 10) and the
Act of September 16, 1977 required certain documents relating to land grants to be filed with “the surveyor general’s office” and “the secretary’s office” (Marbury and Crawford, p. 318). The Constitution of 1789 declared, “The great seal of the state, shall be deposited in the office of the secretary . . .” (Art. II, Par. 11, Marbury and Crawford, p. 17), but made no other reference to the office. It was the Constitution of 1798 that formally established “a secretary of state” and “a surveyor general” (Art. II, Par. 12, Marbury and Crawford, p. 27), who were both, like the governor, elected by the General Assembly for a two-year term. The Constitution of 1877 continued only the office of the Secretary of State, who assumed the duties of the Surveyor General.

The Constitution of 1877 (Art. III, Sec. VII) also empowered the Secretary of State to incorporate banking, insurance, railroad, canal, navigation, express and telegraph companies. Other businesses and organizations were incorporated by the state’s superior courts. Beginning in 1938, copies of applications for incorporation and orders of the superior court judge thereon were required to be filed with the Secretary of State’s office, which then issued certificates of incorporation (Ga. L. 1938, p. 218). In 1976, the legislature directed that all articles of incorporation should be filed directly with the Secretary’s office (Ga. L. 1976, p. 1102).

The Secretary of State first became involved in the management of elections by the Act of February 18, 1873 (Ga. L. 1873, p. 26). The legislature transferred the duties of consolidating and proclaiming election results from the Governor to the Secretary of State in 1921 (Ga. L. 1921, p. 91).

The Secretary’s duties relating to professional certification began with two laws of 1908 which created the State Board of Examiners of Public Accountants (Ga. L. 1908, p. 86) and the State Board of Veterinary Examiners (Ga. L. 1908, p. 88).

The legislature first required dealers in securities to register with the Secretary in 1913 with passage of the “Georgia Blue Sky Law” (Ga. L. 1913, p. 117), then seven years later created a Securities Commission consisting of the Attorney General, the Commissioner of Commerce and Labor, and the Secretary of State as chairman.

The Department of Archives and History was established as a separate state agency in 1918 (Ga. L. 1918, p. 137), operating under direction of a State Historical Commission.

The State Government Reorganization Act of 1931 (Ga. L. 1931, p. 7) enhanced the Secretary’s powers by abolishing the Securities Commission and the State Historical Commission, thereby transferring regulation of securities and control of the Department of Archives and History to the Secretary of State, and consolidating the examining boards under his administration.


Family details: Joseph Maxwell (Max) Cleland is the son of Joseph Hugh Cleland and Juanita (Kesler) Cleland and the grandson of Young L. Cleland and Maud (Cooper) Cleland and of Bob Doc Kesler and Lula (Averty) Kesler.

Curtis L. Atkinson, Assistant Secretary of State

Administration Division — Gary O. Childers, Director. Provides administrative support to all divisions in accounting, budgeting, personnel and purchasing. Coordinates grants and contracts. Processes mail, maintains a warehouse and inventory of supplies and equipment. Under the Administrative Procedures Act, compiles all rules and regulations adopted by state agencies and produces a publication of those agency directives (OCSA 45-13-81). Maintains central record of notaries commissioned by Clerks of Superior Courts (OCSA 45-17-4). Receives fees, issues identification and certificates. Performs administrative duties for the Claims Advisory Board (OCSA 28-5).

Department of Archives and History — Edward Weldon, Director. Administers and provides an archival depository to preserve and make available the official archives and vital records of the State. Develops and administers a state records program, directed by the State Records Committee, to insure the retention and availability of government records with administrative, legal, fiscal, and historical value to the State and its citizens. Administers a research library program to provide information about the State and its citizens to government agencies and the public. Administers and provides a state records center in which to assemble and manage records and information of value to the State for varying periods of time. Directs the office of Surveyor General, the compilation of the Georgia Official and Statistical Register, and program activities of the Georgia Historical Society in Savannah. Manages the State’s interest in Rhodes Memorial Hall. Provides administrative direction to the State’s Native American Employment and Training Program. Operates under the authority of OCSA 36-3 and 45-13.

Corporations Division — Robert K. Hooks, Director. Responsible for the general administration of the Georgia Corporation Code, which includes the filing and certification of all documents of incorporation, amendment, merger, dissolution, and resolution; providing information to the general public and legal community about corporations; and the maintenance of current register of service of process agents on all domestic and foreign corporations. Investigates corporations as necessary. Handles charters, amendments, mergers, and dissolutions of state banks, trust companies, credit unions, insurance companies, savings and loan associations, railroads, steamship, express and telegraph companies and issues Certificates of Grant for corporate powers to those corporations. Administers the Real Property Law as it relates to filing of deeds and related documents for state-owned property. Registers and renews trademarks and servicemarks. Administers the service of process filings of the Real Estate Investment Trust instruments, multi-level distribution companies and banks acting in a fiduciary capacity. Administers the filing requirements of an insurance policy or bond for outdoor amusement shows. Administers the filing of bonds under the Georgia Proprietary School Act (OCSA 20-4). Accepts the filings for charitable organizations and professional fund raisers and solicitors. Administers the filing of hospital authorities and professional associations. Certifies copies of corporate documents on request. Provides assistance to the legal community as to procedural law in document filing. Authorized primarily by OCSA 14.


Securities Division — H. Wayne Howell, Director. Administers the Georgia Securities Act (OCGA 10-5), the Corporate Take-over Act (OCGA 14-6), the Georgia Land Sales Act (OCGA 44-3-1 through 44-3-27), the Out-of-State Land Sales Act (OCGA 44-3-340 through 44-3-54) and the laws regulating perpetual care cemeteries (OCGA 44-3-130 through 44-3-142). Registers, licenses, audits, and analyzes regulated entities and investigates violators of these laws.

State Examining Boards — William G. Miller, Jr., Joint Secretary. Provides professional and clerical support to the state licensing and examining boards for financial matters, rule making, examination development and test administration. Investigates violations of rules and laws under the jurisdiction of the boards. Authorized by OCGA 43. Supports the following boards (members listed as of October 1, 1984):

Accountancy, State Board Of
Judy N. Tabb, Chairperson .................. Atlanta
Alan Burnham ............................. Atlanta
Dr. James D. Edwards ....................... Athens
Marshall L. Mitchell ........................ Atlanta
Wilbert H. Schiwetzter .......................... Atlanta
Nancy L. Frenkel ............................. Roswell
Richard M. Stewart .......................... Valdosta

Architects, State Board For The Examination, Qualification & Registration Of
Oscar L. Harris, President .................. Atlanta
Walter T. Carry ............................. Atlanta
N.A. Jacobs, Jr. ............................. Atlanta
Mary N. Long ............................... Atlanta
Merrill Elam ............................... Atlanta
R. Stanford Woodhurst, Jr. .................. Augusta

Athletic Trainers, Georgia Board Of
Warren Morris, President .................. Athens
William B. Mulherin, M.D. .................. Athens
William H. McDonald ........................ Atlanta
Jane M. Thomas ............................. Chamblee

Auctioneers Commission, Georgia
Ben G. Hudson, Jr., Chairman ............... Macon
Gerald A. Bowie ............................. West Point
R. Curtis Brannen, Sr. ........................ Sylvania
John L. Gross ............................... Rome
Roy H. Holland ............................. Dexter

Barbers, Georgia State Board Of
Donald A. Wade, Chairman .................. Alma
Arvis E. Shread, Sr. ........................ Austell
Bishop J.D. Husband ........................ Atlanta
Melvin A. Clay ................................ Rome
T.G. Rogers ................................. Smyrna

Winston Strickland .......................... Cartersville

Chiropractic Examiners, Georgia Board Of
Stanley H. Merica, D.C., President ........ Milledgeville
Dr. Eugene E. Sparlin ........................ Atlanta
Dr. Deane Mink ............................. Valdosta
Dr. Robert Ressmeyer ........................ Columbus
Dr. Hewett M. Alden ........................ Clarkston
Barbara B. Green ............................ Fairburn

Construction Industry Licensing Board
J.C. Bray, Chairman ......................... Columbus
Brice W. Bishop ............................. Athens
Walter L. Hibble ............................. Atlanta
William P. McCuen .......................... Savannah
Riley T. Stephens ............................ Chamblee
P.J. Wise .......................... Plains
Paul T. Addis ............................... Forest Park
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State Campaign & Financial Disclosure Commission
(Attached to the Office of Secretary of State for Administrative purposes.)
(See Chapter IV for listing of members.)

COMPTROLLER GENERAL
(Commissioner of Insurance)*

The Comptroller General is charged with the duties of keeping complete books (balanced every ten days) on all taxes, fees and other funds which the Department of Revenue and all other Departments and Offices pay to and deposit with the General Fund of the State, and the signing of all warrants issued to each Department, Board or Commission, with complete books thereon. The Act of August 19, 1912, (Ga. L. 1912, p. 119) created the Insurance Department under the Comptroller General, naming him Insurance Commissioner and authorizing him to appoint a Deputy Insurance Commissioner and all necessary personnel (OCSA Title 33). The Act of February 24, 1949 (Ga. L. 1949, p. 1057) named the Insurance Commissioner as Safety Fire Commissioner with authority to appoint a State Fire Marshal who in turn appoints his Deputy and other necessary personnel, all to serve during the pleasure of the Safety Fire Commissioner. The Act of February 25, 1949 known as the Liquified Petroleum Safety Act gave the Insurance Commissioner the power to enforce that Act (OCSA 10-1-260). Another Act of March 4, 1955 (Ga. L. 1955, p. 431) made the Comptroller General the Georgia Industrial Loan Commissioner (OCSA 7-3-7).

The term of office of the Comptroller General is four years to run concurrent with the terms of the Governor and other Executive Officers. The minimum qualifications for the office are citizenship for ten years, residence in Georgia for six years and age of twenty-five years.

Authority and responsibilities of this Department are enumerated in OCSA Title 33.

HISTORY. The Comptroller General was not designated as a public officer in the first three State Constitutions. The office was created by the Constitution of 1861 (Art. III, Sec. 2, Par. VIII). However, by the Act of December 5, 1799 (Marbury & Crawford, p. 184) the General Assembly had provided for a

*The 1983 State Constitution (effective July 1, 1983) changes the title of this constitutional office from Comptroller General to Commissioner of Insurance, with no change in duties or responsibilities. In November 1986, the new Constitution requires the people of Georgia to elect a Commissioner of Insurance.


Jennings B. Garbade, Deputy Comptroller General

Insurance Department — Ralph Terry, Chief Deputy. Examines companies and agents, collects premium taxes, examines policy forms and policy rates and administers insurance related laws. The Department investigates consumer complaints regarding insurance companies.

Safety Fire Division — Tom Eberhart, Fire Marshal. Responsible for the licensed use of hazardous substances, the inspections of buildings and blueprints for fire hazards and the supervision of domestic and foreign manufacturers of mobile homes sold in Georgia. The Division also provides instruction in fire safety.

Industrial Loan Department — Jim Young, Deputy Industrial Loan Commissioner. Supervises loan companies making loans of $3,000 or less, examines interest rates, transactions and advertisements. The Department licenses loan companies and collects taxes on loans.

Administrative Division — Furnishes accounting, personnel, reporting, research, and other support services for the Department.

THE DEPARTMENT OF LAW

The Department of Law with the Attorney General at the head thereof, is vested with complete and exclusive authority and jurisdiction in all matters of law relating to the executive branch of government and every department, office, institution, commission, committee, board, and other agency thereof. Although the Attorney General performs a multitude of duties specified in the Constitution and statutes of Georgia, it may be stated, generally that he acts as a lawyer for the State of Georgia as his client.

The Law Department consists of eleven major divisions plus the State Library.

The office of Attorney General is an elective one with a term of four years. The Attorney General is elected by the voters at the same general election at which the Governor and other executive officers are elected. Minimum requirements for the office are U.S. citizenship for ten years, legal resident of the state for four years immediately preceding election or appointment, and shall have attained the age of twenty-five years by the
date of assuming office. No person shall be Attorney General unless such person shall have been an active-status member of the State Bar of Georgia for seven years.

Authority and responsibilities of the Department of Law and the Attorney General are enumerated in OCGA Title 45-15 and the Constitution of 1983, Art. V.

**HISTORY.** Georgia has had an Attorney General since early colonial times. In fact, the first lawyer authorized to practice in Georgia was her first Attorney General, William Clifton, whose service to the colony began in 1754. The Judiciary Act of 1797 provided for an Attorney General and two Solicitors General whose sole duties were to prosecute criminals. When named a constitutional officer in 1868, the Attorney General became the legal advisor of the Governor and other state government departments.

**Division I** — This Division represents the Department of Human Resources; the Department of Medical Assistance; the Department of Administrative Services; the State Health Planning and Development Agency; the Department of Community Affairs; and the State Indemnification Commission.

**Division II** — This Division represents the Department of Natural Resources; the Department of Agriculture; the Department of Industry and Trade; the State Forestry Commission; the Soil and Water Conservation Committee; the Office of Energy Resources; the Council for Energy Resources; the State Department of Veterans Service; the State Department of Defense; and the Area Planning and Development Advisory Committee.

**Division III** — This Division is responsible for representing the interests of the State in capital felony appeals, the defense of collateral attacks on criminal convictions where the prisoner involved is in the custody of a state-employed warden and the representation of the interests of the requesting state is in extradition matters before the Governor.

**Division IV** — This Division has as its major responsibility the handling of all legal affairs for the Department of Transportation. The division is also legal counsel to all state departments and authorities on matters related to construction activities, including the preparation and examination of contracts for architectural and engineering services and the negotiation or litigation of disputes arising out of construction contracts.

**Division V** — This Division represents the Department of Revenue; the Georgia State Financing and Investment Commission; the Department of Banking and Finance; Office of Planning and Budget; State Auditor; and the Fiscal Division of the Department of Administrative Services. The division is also responsible for legal services which are related to investments made by the Teachers’ and Employees’ Retirement Systems of Georgia.

**Division VI** — This Division represents the State of Georgia and all of its agencies, authorities, boards, commissions, departments, and retirement systems in all licenses, leases, rental agreements and loan instruments. The Division also provides general legal services and representation to the State Properties Commission and to most of the State authorities.

**Division VII** — This Division represents the Department of Labor; the Board of Workers’ Compensation; the Workers’ Compensation Trust Fund (DOAS); the Subsequent Injury Trust Fund; the State Personnel Board; State Merit System (including the State Employees’ Health Insurance Plan); the Georgia Office of Fair Employment Practices; the Employees’ Retirement System; the Teachers’ Retirement System; various other State retirement systems; and the Campaign and Financial Disclosure Commission. Division VII further provides legal assistance and representation to all State agencies in resolving matters involving employment discrimination.

**Division VIII** — This Division represents the Board of Regents; the Comptroller General; the Department of Education; the Elections Division of the Secretary of State; the Public Service Commission; and several other smaller State government entities.

**Division IX** — This Division represents the Office of the Secretary of State and all of its departments, except elections; the Office of Consumer Affairs; and the Office of Bar Admissions.

**Division X** — This Division represents the Department of Offender Rehabilitation; the State Board of Pardons and Paroles; the Department of Public Safety; and the Georgia Bureau of Investigation.

**Division XI** — This Division represents the State in the prosecution of organized criminal activity involving statewide or multi-jurisdictional operation, with particular emphasis on drug trafficking; public corruption involving state interests; and other matters as directed by the Governor or by the Attorney General as authorized by Georgia law.

**Computer Services** — This Division has the responsibility to manage all automated services for the Law Department, including word processing.

**State Library** — The State Library is designated as an official depository for State and selected federal publications. The library is maintained for use not only by the bench, bar, and those in government, but also for use by the public generally.


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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

The Board of Education

The State School Superintendent

The State Board of Education directs and supervises the public school system. It establishes and enforces minimum standards for operations of all phases of public school education, assures equal educational opportunities for all students, and promotes efficient administration of public schools. The Board defines and regulates curriculum. It administers all state funds for the maintenance and operation of the public schools, including transportation. It provides for special education services, including kindergarten, adult, career, occupational, and vocational education programs.

The Board has general supervision of the State Department of Education and hears appeals of decisions made by the State School Superintendent.

The Board is composed of one member from each congressional district in the State. The Governor appoints Board members with advice and consent of the Senate. Board members have staggered terms of seven years.

The State School Superintendent is the executive officer of the State Board of Education and the administrative office of the Department of Education, charged with enforcing the Board's rules and regulations and recommending to the Board means of improving the school system. He is required to com-
pile an annual report for the General Assembly, concerning all phases of the activities of the Board of Education and of his administrative office.

The State School Superintendent is a Constitutional officer of the State and is elected at the same time and in the same manner and for the same term as that of the Governor. The Superintendent must be at least thirty years old, hold a five-year degree from an accredited college or university and have had at least three years’ teaching experience.

Authority and responsibilities of the State Board of Education and the State School Superintendent are enumerated in OCGA Title 20.

HISTORY. The Constitution of 1868, Article VI, authorized a general education system to be free to all children of the State and provided for a State School Commissioner to be appointed by the Governor. The Act of October 13, 1870 (Ga. L. 1870, p. 49) established a Georgia State Board of Education consisting of the Governor, Attorney General, Secretary of State, Comptroller General, and State School Commissioner, the latter being appointed by the Governor and confirmed by the Senate. The Act of December 18, 1894 (Ga. L. 1894, p. 34) changed selection of State School Commissioner from appointment by the Governor to election by the people. The Act of August 21, 1911 (Ga. L. 1911, p. 94) changed the name to State Superintendent of Schools and reconstituted the State Board of Education to include the Governor, the Superintendent, and four persons appointed by the Governor. The Act of February 10, 1937 (Ga. L. 1937, p. 864) changed the State Board of Education to consist of the Governor and one appointed member from each of Georgia’s ten congressional districts. The Act of January 25, 1943 (Ga. L. 1943, p. 636) removed the Governor from the State Board of Education. The State Board of Education’s authority was significantly extended by the Minimum Foundation Program for Education Act of 1949 (Ga. L. 1949, p. 1406), the Minimum Foundation Program for Education Act of 1964 (Ga. L. 1964, p. 3), the Cooperative Educational Services Agencies Act of 1972 (Ga. L. 1972, p. 550), and the Adequate Program for Education in Georgia Act of 1974 (Ga. L. 1974, p. 1045).


State Board of Education

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Office of Administrative Services — H.F. Johnson, Associate State Superintendent of Schools. Administers fiscal services to local school systems and State Education Department, regional education services, school facilities and pupil transportation programs, school food and nutrition programs, child care food program, the textbook program, and public information and publications services.

Office of Instructional Services — Lucille Jordan, Associate State Superintendent of Schools. Responsible for development and implementation of curriculum for Georgia schools from kindergarten through twelfth grade. The Office also administers compensatory education programs, instructional media services, special education, and migrant and bilingual education.

Office of Planning and Development — Werner Rogers, Associate State Superintendent of Schools. Manages the competency-based graduation program, pupil personnel services, standards for Georgia schools, student assessment, teacher education and certification, staff development, educational improvement, research and evaluation.

Office of State Schools and Special Services — Peyton Williams, Jr., Associate State Superintendent of Schools. Supervises the operation and services of schools for the State Board of Education: The Atlanta Area School for the Deaf, the Georgia School for the Deaf, the Georgia Academy for the Blind and the North Georgia and South Georgia Vocational-Technical Schools. The Office also administers programs under Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972.

The Office of Vocational Education — William P. Johnson, Associate State Superintendent of Schools. Administers vocational educational programs at the postsecondary school levels, administers vocational program development including planning and evaluation, manages Quick Start Training Program and programs under the Job Training Partnership Act, coordinates comprehensive high school programs and vocational youth organizations.

Office of State Schools and Special Services

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

The Georgia Department of Agriculture is responsible for promoting and protecting the agricultural interests of the State. Management and control of the Department and its myriad functions is vested with the Commissioner of Agriculture. The Commissioner, as chief administrative officer, is responsible for examining and investigating any matter relating to or affecting the welfare of farmers and consumers in the state; and for gathering, formulating, and disseminating information which may benefit Georgia farmers and consumers. In order to advance the agricultural industry in this State and to make the public aware of the services offered by the Department, the Commissioner may participate in any shows, fairs, or exhibits. The Commissioner is also responsible for securing the cooperation and assistance of various governmental agencies or organi-
organizations; and for participating as a member of, or in an advisory capacity to, any organizations or associations which are of benefit to the agricultural community or consumers of the State. The Commissioner promulgates rules and regulations concerning the operations of the Department, including such rules and regulations as may be necessary to carry out and enforce the legally mandated duties and responsibilities. The Department is organized along functional lines, with nine assistant commissioners charged with planning and supervising the operations of the Department.

The 1945 Constitution (Art. V) named the Commissioner of Agriculture an Executive Officer. The Commissioner is elected for a four year term at the same time as the Governor, and must have had experience as a farmer.

The Commissioner and the Department's responsibilities are enumerated in OCGA Title 2.

**HISTORY.** Georgia's concern for agricultural development may be traced to the Colonial period. A 1739 letter from Oglethorpe to the Trustees refers to "... pushing on the Improvements of Silk and Wine, and other Agriculture. . . ." In 1755, ten acres of land were laid out for the Trustees Garden. In 1810, the State legislature passed an Act to Incorporate the Agricultural Society of Georgia and authorized the Society to establish a lottery for the purpose of raising not more than $10,000 (Ga. L. 1810, p. 3). An 1837 Act incorporated the Board of Agriculture and Rural Economy of the State of Georgia.

The State Department of Agriculture was established by an 1874 Act of the Georgia legislature (Ga. L. 1874, p. 6). Many Acts have been passed since which have enlarged on the duties of this Department.


*A.T. Bray, Assistant to Commissioner.* Serves as legislative liaison for Department of Agriculture, and works closely with administrative division of the Department.

**Administration and Consumer Services — Deborah A. Pullin, Assistant Commissioner.** Responsible for accounting, budgeting, statistical reporting, personnel, special services, information and education, training, computer services, purchasing safety, civil defense, records management, and property control. Administers the Georgia Grade A Milk laws. Effective September 1, 1984, assumed responsibilities of Consumer Services Division.

**Animal Industry and State Veterinarian — Dr. John A. Cobb, Assistant Commissioner.** Responsibilities include enforcing all laws and regulations pertaining to livestock and poultry disease control and eradication, and to meat slaughter processing. The state veterinarian and seven assistant veterinarians supervise animal health, and meat inspection operations; collect and disseminate information from the poultry industry used in establishing markets; grade livestock and collect information for the State-Federal Market News Report; cooperate with all equine breeders in promoting horse shows and encouraging 4-H members participation in the equine program; assist 4-H milk by operating with owners and operators of problem herds; and administer two veterinary diagnostic laboratories in Tifton and Athens; and seven poultry and diagnostic laboratories located in Oakwood, Dalton, Canton, Royston, Douglas, Tifton, and Statesboro.

**Consumer Services — Henrietta M. Canty, Assistant Commissioner.** Responsible for educating Georgia producers, processors, retailers, and consumers concerning Georgia laws enforced by the Department of Agriculture. Handles all consumer complaints and questions. Disseminates information and literature on Georgia consumer protection programs such as food, meat, grocery stores, pest control, fuel and weights and measures, plant identification, and disease control. Operates Speakers Bureau. (Responsibilities assumed by Administration Division, September 1, 1984.)

**Consumer Protection Field Forces — George E. Seaton, Assistant Commissioner.** Responsible for enforcing the Georgia Food Act, Georgia Bottling Act, Wholesale Fish Dealer's Act, and Georgia Egg Law. Supervises inspection of retail and wholesale food stores, food processing plants, food warehouses, bakeries, confectioners, soft drink bottlers, and seafood processing plants. Reviews all food labels. Enforces bedding regulations. Supervises field operations through five district offices.

**Entomology and Pesticides — J. Ron Conley, Assistant Commissioner.** Responsible for enforcing Georgia laws requiring the registration and labeling of pesticides, licensing private and commercial pesticide applicators, restricted use pesticide dealers, plant nurseries and nursery dealers, and treated timber processors and dealers. Inspects honeybees to insure their freedom from disease; and all irrigation systems to insure that they have appropriate devices to prevent groundwater contamination from fertilizers and pesticides. Inspects and certifies tomato, pepper, and cabbage transplants for interstate shipment; conducts pest surveys including imported fire ant and gypsy moth; promulgates and enforces quarantines as appropriate. Administers licensing, inspection, and enforcement of the rules for regulation of the pest control industry. Cooperates with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency in the enforcement of the Federal Insecticide Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act within Georgia.

**Fuel and Measures — Olin D. Mullinax, Assistant Commissioner.** Maintains a weights and measures laboratory and supervises a field force of weights and measures inspectors engaged in heavy scale, light scale, liquid petroleum (LA) gas meter, and milk tank calibration inspection programs. Operates a state oil laboratory and manages a field force of fuel oil inspectors. Duties involve calibration and enforcement of large tanks and trucks, quality and anti-freeze sold are in compliance with state and federal specifications, and also enforces correct advertising of gasoline prices.

**General Field Inspection Forces — Jack A. Leard, Sr., Assistant Commissioner.** Supervises five district supervisors and ten assistant supervisors who inspect approximately eight weekly livestock auction markets and tag all eligible animals that are sold to slaughter; assist in disease control of animals and poultry; audit and enforce bonding and licensing of all livestock auction markets; issue licenses and enforce bird laws; and pull fertilizer and feed samples during peak season.
Marketing — Jimmy C. Bridges, Assistant Commissioner. Responsible for establishing and maintaining State Farmers' Markets; promoting the state's major crops and developing programs to improve marketing, handling and storage of agricultural products through commodities promotion; administering warehouse inspection to control the storage of grain, cotton, tobacco, and other commodities; and for promoting and developing export markets in foreign countries through international trade.

Plant Industry — E. Elmo Winstead, Assistant Commissioner. (Effective September 1, 1984 responsibilities of entomology and pesticides were established under a separate division.) Enforces Georgia Seed Law, to insure purity, germination and correct labeling; in coordination with experiment stations, develops and produces high quality seed for Georgia farmers; furnishes official grain grading service to farmers and to the feed and grain industry; registers each brand of feed, fertilizer and pesticide sold in the State; works to eradicate and control agricultural pests and protect consumers from purchasing diseased plants; conducts tests of food, feed, fertilizer, seed, pesticides, lime, and other agricultural products to determine that they meet State standards; provides agricultural advice to state-owned institutions; supervises field force of inspectors who pull samples of seed, feed, fertilizer, pesticides, lime, and grain.

Dr. James Quigley ...................... Associate State Veterinarian Sharon Abercrombie ........................ Director Fuel and Measures Division Curtis Williams ............................. State Oil Chemist Eugene Daily .............................. Director, Dairy Division Charles Mann .............................. Director, Markets Division Mike Bonner .............................. Director Atlanta State Farmer's Market Robert L. Williams ........................ Director International Trade Division Richey Seaton .............................. Director Commodities Protection Division William Truby .............................. Director, Warehouse Division J. Ron Conley .............................. Director Entomology/Pesticides Division Cecil Spooner .............................. Director Plant Food, Feed and Grain Division Dr. Wayne R. Guerke .................. Director, Seed Division Dr. Earl Elsner .............................. Director Georgia Seed Development Commission Dr. John F. Williams ...................... State Chemist

DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

The Department of Labor enforces all laws pertaining to labor except those concerning workers' compensation. It regulates hours of labor in factories, labor organizations and labor relations, and private employment agencies. The Department enforces laws prohibiting sex discrimination and discrimination against the handicapped. It also administers employment security (unemployment compensation) and programs required by Federal labor laws and regulations.

Authority and responsibilities of the Department of Labor are enumerated in OCGA Title 34.

The Commissioner of Labor

The Commissioner of Labor directs and supervises the Department of Labor, administers and enforces its laws, rules and regulations, and directs its inspections and investigations. He is charged with reporting on the conditions of labor gener-ally in the State, promulgating rules to prevent occupational accidents and diseases, and with promoting the voluntary conciliation of labor disputes. The Commissioner is empowered to appoint the heads of all divisions and bureaus in the Department of Labor, except those under the Board of Workers' Compensation. The Commissioner is the custodian and administrator of the "unemployment compensation fund", which is a special fund, separate from all public monies or funds of the State.

The Commissioner of Labor is elected at the same general election in which the Governor and other Constitutional Officers are elected. Each term of office is four years. Minimum qualifications for the office are citizenship for ten years, residence in Georgia for six years, and age of twenty-five years, as provided for by the 1945 Constitution (Art. V).

HISTORY. The Department of Labor, with a Commissioner of Labor as its Executive Officer, was created by the Act of March 25, 1937 (Ga. L. 1937, p. 230). It succeeded the Department of Industrial Relations and the earlier Department of Commerce and Labor, created by Act of August 21, 1911 (Ga. L. 1911, p. 133).

The Unemployment Compensation Act of March 29, 1937 (Ga. L. 1937, p. 806) authorized the Commissioner of Labor to set up, in the Department, a Bureau of Unemployment Compensation. The Act of March 8, 1945 (Ga. L. 1945, p. 331) changed the name of the Bureau to the Employment Security Agency.

The Act of March 25, 1937, placed within the Department of Labor, but outside the jurisdiction of the Commissioner of Labor, an Industrial Board to administer the Workmen's Compensation Act of August 17, 1920 (Ga. L. 1920, p. 167). The Industrial Board evolved into the current Board of Workers' Compensation.


Grady L. Cornish, Executive Assistant to the Commissioner

James A. Lowe, Deputy Commissioner

Field Services Division
Buck C. Ethridge .......................... Director Program Services Division
Don R. Bryant .............................. Director International Operations
Lanis A. Forney .............................. Director

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

The Public Service Commission, a Constitutional commission, supervises and regulates all intrastate common carriers, express companies, railroad or street railroad companies, dock or wharfage companies, terminal or terminal station compan-
ies, telephone and telegraph companies, and gas, electric light and power companies. The Commission is vested with the authority to prescribe rules and regulations for the safe installation and operation of all natural gas transmission and distribution facilities within this State, and to require either by general rules or special orders, all companies under its supervision to establish and maintain reasonable and just public services facilities. The Commission must approve any changes in rate, charge, classification, or service; and issuance of stocks and bonds that are payable more than twelve months after the issuance date.

The Public Service Commission consists of five members who are elected at the general election next preceding the expiration of the terms of office of the respective incumbents. Their terms of office shall be six years each. The minimum requirements for the position of Commissioner are that the member be at least thirty years of age, qualified to vote as an elector, and have neither direct nor indirect interest of any kind in any company or business supervised by the Commission. Vacancies on the Commission are filled by Executive appointment extending until the next general election. The five Commissioners select one of their own to serve as Chairman, a position which is held for a two year term.

Authority and responsibilities of the Public Service Commission are enumerated in OCGA 46-2. Administrative Rules and Regulations of the Commission are published in the Official Compilation of Rules and Regulations of the State of Georgia beginning with Chapter 515-1-1.

HISTORY. The Georgia Public Service Commission traces its origins to an Act of October 14, 1879 (Ga. L. 1878-79, p. 125) which established the Railroad Commission. This forerunner of the Public Service Commission, one of the oldest regulatory commissions in the United States, preceded by eight years the Interstate Commerce Commission. Through various Acts of the General Assembly the railroad regulatory responsibilities of the Commission gradually increased. In 1907 the Commission's jurisdiction was extended far beyond the railroads to include all classes of public utilities and transportation. However, it was another fifteen years before the name was changed to the Georgia Public Service Commission. The 1945 Constitution (Art. IV, Sec. 4, Par. III) made the Public Service Commission a Constitutional Commission.


Horace F. Hartley. Executive Secretary

Philip E. McMullan. Administrative Services Manager

L. Thomas Doyal. Director, Transportation Certification, Enforcement and Safety

Robert Ginn. Director, Consumer Affairs, Rail Service and Tariffs

B.B. Knowles. Director, Utilities Division

Jonathan Grant, Public Information Officer
Chapter III
STATE AGENCIES

DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

The Department of Administrative Services provides administrative services to all State Departments. These services include fiscal affairs, purchasing, printing, electronic data processing, communications, motor pools, and other general services as listed below under each Division.

The Commissioner of the Department is appointed by and serves at the pleasure of the Governor, with confirmation by the Senate.

The Department is authorized by OCGA Title 50, Chapter 5.

HISTORY. The Department of Administrative Services was created by the Executive Reorganization Act of 1972 (Ga. L. 1972, p. 1125), which transferred to the department most functions previously performed by the State Purchasing Department, the State Treasurer, the State Communications Committee and the Advisory Council on Georgia Government Documents. The Department also assumed the functions of the Secretary of State relating to the inventory of real property. Thereafter, the Department's authority was expanded by the Telecommunications Consolidation Act of 1973 (Ga. L. 1973, p. 1261), the Small Business Assistance Act of 1975 (Ga. L. 1975, p. 1619), the State Space Management Act of 1976 (Ga. L. 1976, p. 252), and the Disposition of State Owned Surplus Property Act of 1979 (Ga. L. 1979, p. 1071).


The Commissioner's Office

Office of Internal Administration — Robert L. Mathis, Director. The Internal Administration Division provides centralized administrative support services for the Department. These services include accounting, payroll, budgeting, procurement, operations analysis and contracts administration. Also, this office provides accounting, budgeting and payroll services for the Superior Courts of Georgia.

Office of Personnel Services — Martha Drum Hazelton, Director. This office administers the comprehensive personnel program for the employees of the Department of Administrative Services. The program includes selection procedures, compensation, career development, promotions, transfers, performance appraisal, employee relations activities, Merit System liaison and Equal Employment Opportunity and Affirmative Action.

Other responsibilities of the Commissioner's Office include the coordination of the Small and Minority Business Program, the Department's Legal Unit, Public Relations and Management Analysis Functions.

Fiscal Division — Claude L. Vickers, Director. Fiscal Division responsibilities include accounting for the receipt and disbursement of public funds, investment of State funds, administration of the workmen's compensation program and the State's self-insurance program, administration of the retirement program and investment of State employee insurance funds. The Fiscal Division is also responsible for the maintenance and development of all Statewide accounting and accounting related systems.

General Services Division — Richard J. Weiskittel, C.P.M., Director. This Division is a cluster of four support services necessary for the routine operation of the agencies of State government.

Printing Services provides general printing, binding, graphic design and typesetting, and quick turnaround rapid copy services.

Motor Vehicle Services operates a vehicle rental service for state agencies, a motor vehicle repair facility for state vehicles, and provides gasoline and oil services to state vehicles. They also develop policies for motor vehicle management and provide technical assistance concerning motor vehicle specifications and maintenance.

Mail and Courier Services provides for the delivery of interoffice mail to agencies in the Capitol Hill area. Delivery services by courier are provided to agencies in the metro Atlanta area by contractual arrangement.

Central Supply purchases centrally, office, EDP, and paper supplies and sells them to State agencies, local governments, and local school systems at a cost savings.

Information and Computer Services Division — Robert L. Allen, Deputy Commissioner and Director. The responsibility for utilization of electronic data processing was assigned to the Department of Administrative Services. The Division was organized with the transfer of 570 personnel positions and all State-owned computer hardware except that owned by the Department of Labor and the University System. This Division performs services related to application systems design and development, computer operations and the EDP Equipment acquisition.

Purchasing and Surplus Property Division — Thomas M. Bostick, Director. The Division assumed all the duties and responsibilities of the Department of Purchasing and Supply. The Division directs and manages the State procurement program, an activity with an annual purchasing volume of goods and services exceeding three hundred million dollars. This Division is also responsible for the collection and disposal of all state-owned surplus property and distribution of federal surplus items to eligible State and Local Government units, private non-profit health and educational agencies.

Space Management Division — William D. Proctor, Director. This Division was established to manage the assignment, design and utilization of administrative space used by State agencies and to acquire such space through a lease arrangement on an as-needed basis.
The Governor appoints a successor who serves until the next election and that the Commissioner be at least thirty-five years of age. The Commissioner and to employ examiners and other necessary personnel as he may need to discharge the duties imposed on him by law.

Georgia law requires the State Auditor have a minimum of five years experience as an accountant in the Department, or similar government agency, or as a certified public accountant. The General Assembly is responsible for electing the State Auditor, who serves until a successor is chosen. If the position becomes vacant while the General Assembly is not in session, the Governor appoints a successor who serves until the next session. Various Acts of the General Assembly provide for the Auditor's membership on a number of boards, commissions, and authorities.

The Department of Audits and Accounts examines and audits, at least once a year, the books and accounts of every State officer, department, agency, authority, board, commission and institution, and every local school system and official, and to that end he is given the power to conduct investigations and subpoena witnesses. He not only examines the cash accounts of those receiving money from the State, but also protects all physical properties purchased with State money. His audits and examination, together with opinions and recommendations, are reported annually to the General Assembly and the Governor, as is also a detailed and comprehensive report of the salaries paid to and expenses incurred by every person on the payroll of the State.

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The Department of Audits and Accounts operates under the legal mandate prescribed in OCGA 50-6.

HISTORY. The Department of Audits and Accounts was established by the Act of December 6, 1923 (Ga. L. 1923, Ex. Sess., p. 7). Although the basic responsibilities of the Department concerning units of state government have remained basically the same, it was not until 1931 that the powers, duties and functions previously vested in the state school auditor were transferred to the Department of Audits and Accounts (Ga. L. 1931, p. 7. 9. 40). A 1943 Act provided for the election of the State Auditor by the General Assembly (Ga. L. 1943, p. 361).


Robert M. Moler, Deputy Commissioner

Reece V. Morris, Deputy Commissioner, Administration

John B. Kline, Deputy Commissioner, Bank Supervision

Charles W. Burge, Deputy Commissioner, Thrift Institutions
The Department of Community Affairs serves as the Governor's representative to local governments in matters affecting social, economic, human, or intergovernmental relations by providing mediation, consultation and fact-finding services. In this capacity, the Department encourages coordinated planning activities among various planning and development districts, provides information and advice on federal programs and funding opportunities to the districts and to units of local governments. The Department provides program planning and other technical assistance to local governments in order to assist cities and counties in anticipating physical and economic growth and development. The Department also administers, on behalf of the State, several federal programs of primary benefit to local governments better enabling the Department to provide a complete assistance program.

The Board of Community Affairs establishes policy and direction concerning the activities of the Department. The Board consists of fifteen members appointed by the Governor for five year terms.

**Board Members**

- Stewart Bloodworth .......................... Perry
- Frank Moore ........................................... Cartersville
- Myrtle Davis ................................... Atlanta
- Lawrence Bennett ............................. Hawkinsville
- Floy Farr .................................................. Peachtree City
- James Folk ................................................. Augusta
- Lace Futch ............................................... Willacoochee
- Elijah Hill ............................................. Thomasville
- J.B. Jones .................................................. Dacula
- Martha Kennedy ........................................ Rome
- Benny Parker ............................................. Columbus
- Larry Parrish ....................................... Swainsboro
- Clinton Shugart ................................... Unadilla
- Jean Williams ........................................ Dunwoody
- Mike Wolfe ................................................ Dublin

The Commissioner serves as the executive officer and administrative head of the Department. He is appointed by and serves at the pleasure of the Board. The Commissioner assists the Board in the performance of its duties, powers, authority and jurisdiction, as the Board provides.

Authority and responsibilities of the Department of Community Affairs are enumerated in OCGA 50-8.

**HISTORY.** The Department of Community Affairs was created by Ga. L. 1977, p. 381. The Department is the successor agency to the Bureau of Community Affairs in the Department of Community Development.

**DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE**

The Georgia Department of Defense is responsible for maintaining national and state security and responding to declared national or state emergencies or disasters. The Adjutant General administers the Department which is comprised of the Georgia Army and Air National Guard, the Georgia Emergency Management Agency and Georgia Selective Service. To assist the Adjutant General in carrying out his duties, the Governor is authorized to appoint an Assistant Adjutant General for the Army and Assistant Adjutant General for the Air National Guard. Also, the Governor is authorized to appoint a deputy director of the Georgia Emergency Management Agency.

The Georgia Emergency Management Agency of the Department is legally mandated with preparation for and carrying out of various emergency functions not delegated to military forces or other federal agencies. These functions relate to civilian protection and are intended primarily to prevent, minimize, and repair injury and damage resulting from a wide variety of manmade or natural disasters, or imminent threats of such disasters. The enacting legislation also provides for these functions to be coordinated with comparable functions of the federal government.

The Adjutant General is Chief of Staff. The Adjutant General is appointed by the Governor and must be between the age of thirty and sixty-five years, and must have attained at least field grade or equivalent in the National Guard of the State or in the Armed Forces of the United States or a Reserve component thereof and have served not less than five years in one or more services.

The Department operates under legal mandate prescribed in OCGA Title 38.

**HISTORY.** Since colonial days, Georgia has maintained a militia. The 1777 Constitution provided for the Governor to assume the duties of Captain-General and Commander-in-Chief over all militia, military and naval forces belonging to the State. A 1778 Act (CRG, v. 19, pt. II, p. 103) provided for the better ordering and regulating of the militia. By an Act of 1792 (Marbury & Crawford, p. 356) the General Assembly was given authority to elect an Adjutant General, but the position was abolished in 1840 (Ga. L. 1840, p. 128) with the duties and responsibilities transferred to the Division Inspectors. Acts were also passed by the General Assembly in 1860, 1866 and 1879 effecting the position of Adjutant General. The military forces of the State were reorganized by an Act of 1916 (Ga. L. 1916, p. 158) which was repealed by the 1951 Military Forces Reorganization Act (Ga. L. 1951, p. 311). The Military Forces Reorganization Act of 1955 (Ga. L. 1955, p. 23) established the
Department of Defense, and the Adjutant General was designated as executive head of the Department and the Governor as Commander-in-Chief.

The Civil Defense Division was established by an Act of 1951 (Ga. L. 1951, p. 224) which designated it as a Division of the Department of Public Defense with its Director being the Adjutant General. The primary purpose of the Civil Defense Division was to respond to the "existing and increasing possibility of the occurrence of disasters or emergencies of unprecedented size." In 1981 (Ga. L. 1981, p. 389) the name of the Division was changed to the Emergency Management Agency. Similarly, many county civil defense offices changed their names to fall in line with the state agency. Today 93 cities or counties have Emergency Management or Civil Defense Offices.


Billy J. Clack. Deputy Director, Georgia Emergency Management Agency.

EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM

The Employees' Retirement System of Georgia is under the management of a board of trustees for the purpose of providing retirement allowances and other benefits for employees of the State and political subdivisions thereof.

The Board of Trustees of the Retirement System shall consist of seven trustees as follows: the State Auditor; the Insurance Commissioner; the Commissioner of Personnel Administration; one member appointed by the Governor; two members who have had at least five years creditable service with an agency included in this retirement system; and a member who has had at least ten years of experience in the investment of moneys.

Board of Trustees

Langdon C. Sheffield ................. Americus
W. E. Strickland ..................... Atlanta
William B. Stark .................. Atlanta
Joe Edwards, Ph.D. ................. Gainesville

Ex-Officio Members

William M. Nixon, Jr. ............... State Auditor
Johnnie L. Caldwell ................ Comptroller General
Charles E. Storm .................. Commissioner State Merit System of Personnel Administration

The Board of Trustees has authority to employ a Director and to engage such actuarial and other services as shall be required to transact the business of the Retirement System.

Authority and responsibilities of the Employees' Retirement System are enumerated in OCGA Title 47.

HISTORY. The Employees' Retirement System was established by an Act of February 3, 1949 (Ga. L. 1949, p. 138).

In 1953, the System was designated to administer the Social Security Program extending to employees of the State and its political subdivisions the basic protection accorded by the Old Age and Survivors Insurance System embodied in the Federal Social Security Act (Ga. L. 1953, Nov.-Dec. Sess., p. 294).

The System began administering the Group Term Life Insurance to its members through a contract with State Employees Assurance Department in 1953 (Ga. L. 1953, Jan.-Feb. Sess., p. 323).

Ga. L. 1967, p. 259; Ga. L. 1971, p. 107; Ga. L. 1980, p. 611, designate the Board of Trustees of the Employees' Retirement System as the Board of Trustees of the Legislative Retirement System. The Board also serves as the Board of Trustees for the Trial Judges and Solicitors Retirement Fund, as well as Board of Trustees of the Public School Employees' Retirement System (Ga. L. 1968, p. 259).


James C. Larche, II, Deputy Director

STATE FORESTRY COMMISSION

The general powers and duties of the Forestry Commission are: (1) To take all action appropriate to foster, improve, and encourage reforestation; (2) To engage in research and other projects for the ascertainment and promulgation of better forestry practices; (3) To offer aid, assistance, and technical advice to landowners relative to the preservation and culture of forests; (4) To receive gifts or donations and to expend the same under the terms of such gifts or donations; (5) To conduct and direct fire prevention work and maintain equipment, personnel, and installations for the detection, prevention, and combating thereof; (6) To publish and distribute the results of its research and investigations; and (7) To cooperate and contract with other agencies and instrumentalities of government, either county, municipal, state or national, and with private persons or concerns for the advancement of the forests of this state.

The Commission is composed of five members, three being owners, or representatives of owners, of forest land and two being connected with the lumber industry, all appointed by the Governor and confirmed by the Senate.

Commission Members

Jim L. Gillis, Jr., Chairman ......... Soperton
Thomas Felton Denny .............. Carrollton
Eley C. Frazer, III ............... Albany
Robert Simpson, III ............. Lakeland
Patricia B. Robinson ............. Atlanta
The Commission appoints, by and with the advice and consent of the Governor, a Director as its executive secretary and administrative officer. The Director has all of the powers of the Commission when the latter is not in session, and administers its policies as well as makes rules and regulations to enforce the same. He has authority to appoint assistants, foresters, and other necessary personnel, subject to the approval of the Commission.

Authority and responsibilities of the State Forestry Commission are enumerated in OCGA Title 12-6.

**HISTORY.** The Georgia Forestry Commission, established in 1949 (Ga. L. 1949, p. 1079), traces its origins to the Georgia State Board of Forestry, an investigative committee created in 1921 (Ga. L. 1921, p. 392). In 1925, the position of State Forester was established (Ga. L. 1925, p. 199). The Governor, upon the recommendations of the Board, was authorized to acquire, either by purchase or gift, forest land. The Board was given power to take action to prevent and suppress forest fires.

As part of the Executive Reorganization Act of 1931 (Ga. L. 1931, p. 12), the State Board of Forestry was abolished. Its functions were transferred to the newly established Department of Forestry and Geological Development. A 1937 Act (Ga. L. 1937, p. 264) abolished the Department of Forestry and Geological Development, and transferred all of its functions to the newly established Division of Forestry within the Department of Natural Resources. The Department of Natural Resources was abolished in 1943 (Ga. L. 1943, p. 180) and replaced with a Division of Conservation. Within the Division of Conservation was placed the Department of Forestry. Six years later (Ga. L. 1949, p. 1079) the Department of Forestry was abolished and the State Forestry Commission, as we know it today, was established.

In addition to its other responsibilities a 1949 Act (Ga. L. 1949, p. 937) charged the Commission with enforcing the Forest Fire Protection Act. In 1953 (Ga. L. 1953, p. 45), the Georgia Forest Research Council was established under the supervision of a Board of Commissioners, one of whom was Director of the Georgia Forestry Commission. A 1955 Act (Ga. L. 1955, p. 309) provided for a comprehensive revision and reenactment of forestry laws. In addition to broadening the responsibilities of the Commission, this legislation enumerates all Acts not repealed or modified which relate to forestry.

A 1978 Amendment to the 1972 Executive Reorganization Act transferred the functions of the Georgia Forest Research Council to the State Forestry Commission and provided for the continuation of the Council in an advisory capacity to the Commission. In order to foster, improve and encourage reforestation, the Commission was authorized in 1980 (Ga. L. 1980, p. 560) to contract for the purchase of seedlings for resale to Georgia forest owners.

**Field Services Division** — This Division provides those services necessary to encourage the establishment, growth, harvest and preparation of the State's forest resources.

Region I ............ Henry Swindell, Chief Forester, Macon Region II ............ H.L. Neal, Chief Forester, Macon

**Dixon Memorial State Forest.** Waycross — William Cliff Hargrove, Forest Supervisor. This Division manages about 35,000 acres of forest land in order to demonstrate the best methods of growing a continuous crop of forest products.

Wesley Wells, Chief, Forest Protection

Lynn Hooven, Chief, Forest Management

Garland Nelson, Chief, Forest Administration

Howard Bennett, Chief, Forest Education

Johnny Branam, Chief, Reforestation

Julian D. Reeves, Personnel Officer

Fred Allen, Chief, Forest Research

**GEORGIA BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION**

The Georgia Bureau of Investigation (G.B.I.) is comprised of three divisions: Investigations, Forensic Sciences and the Georgia Crime Information Center (G.C.I.C.)

Chief Administrative officer of the Bureau is the Director of Investigations. Although a separate agency of state government, general policy making decisions that govern the Bureau are vested with the Board of Public Safety. Responsibility for appointing and removing the Director rests with the Board of Public Safety, and requires the approval of the Governor.

Members of the Bureau are vested with the same authority, powers and duties as are possessed by members of the Uniform Division of the Department of Public Safety.

Authority and responsibilities of the Georgia Bureau of Investigation are enumerated in OCGA 35-3.

**HISTORY.** The Georgia Bureau of Investigation traces its beginnings to a 1937 Act (Ga. L. 1937, p. 40), which established a Division of Criminal Identification, Detection, Prevention and Investigation within the newly created Department of Public Safety. The name of the Division was formally changed to the Bureau of Investigation by an Act of March 27, 1941. The 1972 Reorganization Act (Ga. L. 1972, p. 1060) changed the name of the Bureau to the Division of Investigation, still within the Department of Public Safety. In 1974 the G.B.I. was established as a separate agency (Ga. L. 1974, p. 110).

**Georgia Bureau of Investigation**


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**HISTORY.** The Georgia Bureau of Investigation traces its beginnings to a 1937 Act (Ga. L. 1937, p. 40), which established a Division of Criminal Identification, Detection, Prevention and Investigation within the newly created Department of Public Safety. The name of the Division was formally changed to the Bureau of Investigation by an Act of March 27, 1941. The 1972 Reorganization Act (Ga. L. 1972, p. 1060) changed the name of the Bureau to the Division of Investigation, still within the Department of Public Safety. In 1974 the G.B.I. was established as a separate agency (Ga. L. 1974, p. 110).

**Georgia Bureau of Investigation**


**Georgia Bureau of Investigation**


Investigative Division — J.R. Hamrick, Director. The Investigative Division of the Bureau provides special criminal investigative support services to local law enforcement agencies throughout the State. With thirteen regional offices located strategically throughout Georgia and special state squads headquartered in Atlanta, the Division responds to requests from sheriffs, municipal law enforcement agencies and judicial officials. Among the special support services provided are: fingerprint examiners, services, identikit operator services, criminal intelligence services, crime prevention staff services, liaison with law enforcement agencies outside the State, police training, and coordination of criminal investigations of particular interest to local law enforcement agencies when those investigations transcend county lines.

Georgia Crime Information Center (G.C.I.C.) — Thomas J. McGreevy, Director. The Georgia Crime Information Center is a statewide technical and information service to Georgia's criminal justice community. As such, it collects, stores, and disseminates computerized information about crime and criminals. G.C.I.C. is the central state repository for fingerprint processing, computerized criminal history, uniform crime reports, and case disposition reports. Additionally, G.C.I.C. provides the services of its data communications system to over three hundred Georgia Criminal Justice agencies through computer terminals, thereby providing these agencies with access to the National Crime Information Center (N.C.I.C.), other states, and G.C.I.C.'s files on stolen vehicles, articles, guns, wanted and missing persons, and to the state vehicle registration files. With assistance and guidance from the Georgia Crime Information Council, the Director of the Center is responsible for its development, maintenance and operation.

Forensic Sciences Division — Larimore B. Howard, Director and Bryan Dawson, Assistant Director. The Forensic Sciences Division, formerly known as the Georgia Crime Laboratory, is the second oldest such facility in the nation. The Division provides investigatory information in all areas of forensic science to the Criminal Justice System, and operates facilities in Atlanta, Augusta, Columbus, Moultrie and Savannah. The Director of the Division is also the Chief Medical Examiner of the State.

DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES

The Georgia Department of Human Resources is the agency of state government which has primary responsibility for the delivery of health and social services. The Department annually serves more than one million people through direct service and financial assistance programs.

The mission of the Department of Human Resources is to assist Georgians in achieving their highest levels of health, development, independence and self-sufficiency. The Department's goals and strategies to achieve that mission are: a healthier generation of Georgians; economic self-sufficiency; independence among older Georgians; increased productivity and opportunity for the Department's employees; involvement of community resources in support of priority services; decen tralized program management structure; elimination or reduction of unnecessary regulatory activity; and planning at all organizational levels which focus on outcomes which are consistent with the Department's strategic plan.

The Department's six divisions include Public Health, Mental Health and Mental Retardation, Rehabilitation Services, Family and Children Services, Youth Services and Administrative Services. An Office of Aging and an Office of Children and Youth coordinate departmental planning and service delivery to children and elderly people. With more than 28,000 state and county employees in 100 human services programs, in 1,500 locations and in all 159 counties, the Department is the largest and most complex department in Georgia's state government.

The Department recognizes the complexity of its services and the need to provide opportunities for citizens to advise and participate in planning and service delivery. Its citizen advisory councils relate to aging services, developmental disabilities, family planning, maternal and infant health, child care development, and mental health and mental retardation.

DHR is responsible for setting standards of quality in the services which it delivers directly and for those of private health and social services agencies. The Department has licensing and regulatory responsibility for child caring centers and institutions, hospitals, nursing homes, home health agencies, ambulatory surgical centers, eye banks, renal dialysis clinics, rural health clinics, rehabilitation centers, laboratories and blood banks.

The Department's chief executive officer, the Commissioner of Human Resources, is appointed by and accountable to the State Board of Human Resources. This fifteen member board is appointed by the Governor to provide general oversight of the agency's activities through the establishment of policy, approval of agency goals and objectives, and other appropriate activities.

The Department, Board and Commissioner are authorized by OCGA Titles 19, 31, and 49.

HISTORY. A Board of Public Welfare was created in 1919 (Ga. L. 1919, p. 222), which was replaced by Department of Public Welfare in 1937 (Ga. L. 1937, p. 355). A Board of Social Security replaced the Department in 1943 (Ga. L. 1943, p. 202). The Board's functions were transferred in 1960 to a new Department of Public Welfare (Ga. L. 1960, p. 85), which was renamed the Department of Family and Children Services in 1963 (Ga. L. 1963, p. 218).

The Department of Human Resources was created by the Georgia General Assembly in the Governmental Reorganization Act of 1972 (Ga. L. 1972, p. 1015). The Act consolidated the Departments of Public Health and Family and Children Services and the Department of Education's Division of Vocational Rehabilitation and other state human services programs.

Board of Human Resources

Benjamin B. Okel, M.D., Chairman.............. Atlanta
Helen G. Byars, Vice-Chairman............. Stone Mountain
Benjamin S. Anderson, M.D., Secretary....... Cedartown
Lamar Akins.................................... Barnesville
Dewitt C. Alfred, Jr., M.D. ....................... Atlanta
William B. Dunaway.......................... Marietta
Clayton J. Edwards............................ Fort Valley
H. Gordon Davis, M.D. ......................... Sylvester
Larry Mathison .................................. Waycross
Beverly Long................................... Stone Mountain
Bernese C. Meyer.............................. Atlanta
Wells Riley, M.D.............................. Jonesboro
Mary M. Ryman............................... Dalton
Laura S. Vann................................ Camilla
Emory Bohler, M.D.......................... Brooklet

Janet Bittner, Deputy Commissioner

Andy H. Carden, Director, Division of Administrative Services

Shirley A. Tate, Director, Division of Family and Children Services

John Gates, Ph.D., Director, Division of Mental Health and Mental Retardation

James W. Alley, M.D., Director, Division of Public Health

Thomas R. Gaines, Director, Division of Rehabilitation Services

Marjorie Young, Director, Division of Youth Services

DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRY AND TRADE

The Department of Industry and Trade is the State economic development agency responsible for the development of new and expanded industry; the promotion of international trade and the sale of Georgia products overseas; and the administration of Georgia's tourism advertising and development program. The Department operates twelve Georgia Welcome Centers which promote Georgia's tourist attractions to travelers. In addition, the Department promotes Georgia as a location for film making and television productions.

The Department is administered by a Board of Industry and Trade which is the policy determining body and has such duties, powers, and authority and jurisdiction as provided by law. The Board appoints the Commissioner who serves as the executive officer and administrative head of the Department.

Authorities and responsibilities of the Department of Industry and Trade are enumerated in OCGA Title 50-7.

HISTORY. The Department of Industry and Trade is the successor to the Department of Commerce. It was changed in 1972 to a Bureau within the Department of Community Development, then back to a separate Department in 1976.

Georgia Board of Industry and Trade

Alex Grindler .................. First Congressional District
W. Lamar Davis ............... Second Congressional District
George C. Woodruff, Jr. ....... Third Congressional District
Mrs. Deen Day Smith .......... Fourth Congressional District
Tom Cordy ..................... Fifth Congressional District
William Yancey Barton ....... Sixth Congressional District
C. Max Toles .................. Seventh Congressional District
Edward J. (Jerry) Harrell .... Eighth Congressional District

Robert W. Kinard ............ Ninth Congressional District
William B. Kuhike, Jr. ....... Tenth Congressional District

Members-At-Large

William J. Gaston, Jr.
Donald L. Kunian
George W. Mathews, Jr.
Harold L. Smith
J.E. (Gene) Sutherland


Stephen C. Reick, Deputy Commissioner

James O. Bohanan, Deputy Commissioner, Administration

James A. Steed, Director, International Division

George D. Rogers, Director, Industry Division

F. Douglas Weaver, Director, Research Division

Hanna M. Ledford, Director, Tourist Division

DEPARTMENT OF MEDICAL ASSISTANCE

The Department of Medical Assistance is authorized to adopt and administer a State Plan for Medical Assistance in accordance with Title XIX of the Federal Social Security Act of 1935, as amended (Act of July 30, 1965, Pub. Law 89-97, 79 Stat. 343), provided such State Plan is administered within the appropriations made available to the Department. The Department is authorized to establish the amount, duration, scope, and terms and conditions of eligibility for and receipt of such medical assistance.

The Board of Medical Assistance establishes the general policy of the Department of Medical Assistance and is authorized to issue rules and regulations governing the administration of the medical assistance program. The Board is appointed by the Governor with Senate confirmation. Comprised of five members, the Board serves a four-year staggered term.

Board of Medical Assistance

William Pitts Carr, Chairman ............ Atlanta
Ronald Tigner .......................... Atlanta
Anne McKee Parker ..................... Atlanta
Beauty P. Baldwin ..................... Lawrenceville
Joseph H. Patterson, M.D. ............. Atlanta
The Commissioner of Medical Assistance is the chief executive officer of the Department of Medical Assistance. He is appointed by and serves at the pleasure of the Governor. Subject to the general policy established by the Board, the Commissioner directs, accounts for, organizes, plans, administers, and executes the functions vested in the Department. All legal responsibility for the Title XIX Program rests with the Commissioner, as well as administrative support for the Board.

Authority and responsibilities of the Department of Medical Assistance are enumerated in OCGA Title 49-4.

HISTORY. An Act of 1957 established a hospital care program for the indigent, administered by the State Board of Health and a Hospital Care Council. By an Act of 1960 a Hospital Advisory Council for Construction, Licensure and Indigent Care succeeded the Hospital Care Council (Ga. L. 1960, p. 884). The Medical Assistance for the Aged Act of 1961 was established under the Department of Public Welfare (Ga. L. 1961, p. 170).

The Georgia Public Assistance Act of 1965 (Ga. L. 1965, p. 385) authorized the Department of Family and Children Services to establish, among other categories of public assistance, provision for medical assistance to the aged.

The Executive Reorganization Act of 1972 (Ga. L. 1972, p. 1015) transferred the functions of the Department of Family and Children Services to the Department of Human Resources. In the reorganization of the Department of Human Resources (Ga. L. 1975, p. 1211; Ga. L. 1976, p. 685) the Bureau of Medical Assistance was created within the Department of Human Resources with responsibility for the management and administration of the Medicaid program. The Georgia Medical Assistance Act of 1977 (Ga. L. 1977, p. 384), created a separate Department of Medical Assistance.


Division of Administration — The Division of Administration includes those functions necessary to support the day-to-day operation of the Department such as, accounting, budget, personnel, and benefits recovery.

Division of Program Management — The Division of Program Management develops reimbursement, coverage and other policies and conducts training for providers in more than twenty service program areas. Policies are developed, implemented and interpreted based on federal regulations, state laws, and directives of the Board of Medical Assistance.

Division of Program Integrity — The Division of Program Integrity is primarily responsible for ensuring compliance with state and federal regulations. Division staff conduct on-site field reviews and investigations of providers and recipients, identify program overpayments and conduct evaluative studies of service program areas.

Systems Management Division — The Systems Management Division coordinates all data processing services for the Department and manages the fiscal agent contract for claims payment. This unit also receives provider inquiries regarding the status of submitted claims.

MERIT SYSTEM OF PERSONNEL ADMINISTRATION

State Merit System of Personnel Administration

The State Personnel Board prescribes the general policies for administering the state merit system. Through the Commissioner of Personnel Administration and by adoption of merit system rules and regulations, it governs all phases of personnel administration including recruitment, appointments, promotions, demotions, transfers, separations, job classifications, salary and wage administration, leave of absence, training prohibition of political activity, employee appeals, affirmation action and job counseling. Further, the Board, through the Commissioner, administers a state employees' health insurance plan covering essentially all state employees, members of the General Assembly, employees of county boards of health and county departments of family and children services, and public school employees.

The five member State Personnel Board is appointed by the Governor for a five-year term subject to Senate confirmation (Constitution of 1983, Art. IV, Sec. 3, Par I). The Board selects a chairman from among its members and holds regular meetings at least once a month.

Members

Leonard Morris ............................... Tifton
Isabel Webster ............................... Atlanta
Bill Bohn ................................. Atlanta
Pamela Pryor Fuller ............................. Atlanta
Richard K. Babush ............................. Atlanta
Reese Theus, Chief Hearing Officer, State Personnel Board

The Commissioner of Personnel Administration, consistent with Board policy, serves as the chief executive of the state personnel administration program and administers the operations of the state merit system. The Commissioner provides the Board with professional, technical and other assistance as may be required in the performance of its duties. The Commissioner establishes the State Merit System of Personnel Administration's annual budget, including that of the State Personnel Board, and appoints and prescribes the duties of the state merit system staff.

The Commissioner of Personnel Administration, appointed by the Governor after consultation with the State Personnel Board and confirmed by the Senate, serves at the Governor's pleasure.

Authority and responsibilities of the Commissioner of Personnel Administration are enumerated in OCGA 45-20.

HISTORY. An Act of 1943 created the State Merit System of Personnel Administration under a three member Merit System Council appointed by the Governor for five year terms (Ga. L. 1943, p. 171). The Council established a system of personnel administration which embraced employees of state and county departments of labor, public welfare and health and appointed a Merit System director. Under the provisions of the 1945 Constitution, a State Personnel Board, comprised of three members appointed by the Governor and confirmed by the Senate for seven-year terms, succeeded the Council. Legislative acts of 1949, 1950, and 1951, extended coverage to employees of many other state departments. An Act of 1952 provided the means by which employees of departments outside the merit system might be brought under its provisions (Ga. L. 1952, p. 221). An Act of 1960 broadened the authority of the State Personnel Board and provided for the hiring of a hearing officer (Ga. L. 1960, p. 1162). An Act of 1971 com-
The Department of Natural Resources was created by the Executive Reorganization Act of 1972. The Act consolidated 33 separate agencies into one department with four major divisions. The divisions exercise stewardship over the State's natural resources, with their major functions, briefly stated, being to protect and guide the development of the State's natural, historic and recreational resources.

The Board of Natural Resources is charged with all policymaking functions which were previously granted by law to those agencies whose functions were transferred to the Department of Natural Resources.

Board Members

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The Commissioner of the Department of Natural Resources is appointed and removed by the Board of Natural Resources, subject to the approval of the Governor. The Commissioner administers the many and varied activities of the Department and carries out Departmental policies established by the Board of Natural Resources.

The Directors of the Division and Offices are appointed and removed by the Commissioner of the Department, with the exception of the Director of Environmental Protection Division, who is appointed and removed by the Board, with the approval of the Governor. The Directors are immediately responsible to the Commissioner for the activities and functions of their Divisions.

Authority and responsibilities of the Department of Natural Resources are enumerated in OCGA Title 12.

HISTORY. Georgia's legislative concern for its natural resources dates back at least as early as 1763, when the Assembly passed "an act to prevent persons throwing ballast or rubbish, or falling trees into the rivers and navigable creeks within this province" (Marbury & Crawford, p. 364).

In the decades following the Civil War, when many of Georgia's leaders spoke of creating a commercial and industrial New South, the General Assembly passed many laws promoting the use and development of natural resources.

By the early 1970's, the various aspects of managing Georgia's material resources—from controlling pollution to administering state parks and historic places—were thus regulated by myriad agencies, departments, boards and authorities. Many of these were consolidated by Ga. L. 1972, p. 1015 into the Department of Natural Resources, substantially forming the agency as it exists today. Changes since then have generally refined and extended the Department's powers to administer, regulate and promote the state's natural resources, recreational areas and historic sites.

THE DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

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J. Leonard Ledbetter, Commissioner, Dept. of Natural Resources, apptd. May 1984-date.

Joseph D. Tanner, Commissioner, Dept. of Natural Resources, April 1972-May 1984, resigned.

Environmental Protection Division — The Environmental Protection Division is a regulatory agency responsible for maintaining and improving environmental quality as it pertains to air, land and water quality standards.

Game and Fish Division — This Division is charged with the maintenance and protection of the State's wildlife resources through the application of sound wildlife management principles.

Parks, Recreation, and Historic Sites Division — The Parks, Recreation, and Historic Sites Division of the Department preserves and protects natural areas of unique or exceptional scenic value, protects and maintains historic sites of Statewide significance and operates the state parks to provide recreational use.

Coastal Resources Division — This Division is responsible for managing the State's renewable and non-renewable resources on the seacoast, such as marine and estuarine fisheries and shore, beach, and tidal wetlands protection.

Peter McDuffie, Deputy Commissioner for Administration

Lonice Barrett, Executive Assistant

Susan Solomon, Communications Director

Rick Cothran, Interim Coordinator, Parks, Recreation, and Historic Sites Division

Harold Reheis, Assistant Director, Environmental Protection Division

Leon Kirkland, Director, Game and Fish Division

Duane Harris, Director, Coastal Resources Division

The Department of Offender Rehabilitation is responsible for securely housing the incarcerated male and female offender committed to the Board of Offender Rehabilitation and the provision of effective rehabilitation programs designed to prepare offenders for eventual release to free society. The Department is also charged with providing supervision and rehabilitation services to state probationers and oversees the development and management of a network of diversion and transitional centers within the community for both male and female offenders.


Diane Harper, Executive Liaison to the Board

Executive Operations Division — Bobby Whitworth, Deputy Commissioner. This Division is responsible for the coordination of public affairs and media information, legislative services, medical and mental health services, court services and fleet/risk management.

Facilities Division — Walter Zant, Deputy Commissioner. This Division is responsible for the direct operation of all state correctional institutions, transitional centers and supervision of county correction institutions to assure compliance with the
rules and regulations of the Board of Offender Rehabilitation. The Division is also responsible for women’s services, inmate affairs and offender administration supervision. The Offender Administration Section is responsible for diagnostic coordination, youthful offender programming, offender control, classification and assignment, reception and release, interstate compacts, records, computations and probation/parole data collection.

**General Services & Support — Winfred Ladd. Deputy Commissioner.** This Division is responsible for office services, personnel administration and affirmative action, accounting and payroll services, procurement and property control, training, recruitment and staff assignment, grants administration and planning and budget functions.

**Internal Affairs & Assessment — William Baughman, Deputy Commissioner.** This Division is responsible for ensuring the integrity of the Department’s administration management, operations and fiscal and program components. Each of the sections — Internal Investigations, Fiscal Audits, Fire Marshal, Inspections, Systems and Statistics. Evaluations and Operations — has the responsibility to identify problematic or deficient administrative or operational areas.

**Probation — Vince Fallin, Deputy Commissioner.** This Division is responsible for probation services to the courts, statewide delivery of probation diagnostic services, the community services program, and the supervision and operation of residential probation diversion centers.

**Technical Services — Robert Francis, Deputy Commissioner.** The Technical Services Division includes the following sections — Facilities Development, Food and Farm Services and Programs. The Programs Section includes chaplaincy, counseling, education and recreation.

**Georgia Correctional Industries Administration — Jerry Busbee. Director.** Georgia Correctional Industries Administration functions as an integral part of the Department of Offender Rehabilitation, although it exists legally as a separate entity. Operating industrial facilities at state correctional institutions, it provides jobs and employment opportunities for the pre-release training of offenders under the custody of DOR. Each industry within an institution is similar to a private enterprise, allowing inmates the opportunity to develop good work habits and marketable job skills.

**STATE BOARD OF PARDONS AND PAROLES**

The State Board of Pardons and Paroles, established in 1943, is composed of five members appointed by the Governor for seven-year terms, subject to confirmation by the State Senate. Board members must devote full time to the duties of their office.

The Board has Constitutional authority to grant paroles, pardons, and reprieves, to commute and remit sentences, and to remove disabilities imposed by law. It has authority and staff to investigate cases and to supervise persons granted conditional clemency.

Authority and responsibilities of the Board of Pardons and Paroles are enumerated in the 1983 Constitution, Art. IV, Sec. 2, and in OCGA 42-9.

**Board Members**


GEORGIA PORTS AUTHORITY

The primary purposes for which the Georgia Ports Authority was created are the development and expansion of shipping and commerce through the harbors and seaports of the State. Thus, it has power to acquire, build and operate wharves, docks, warehouses, ships, elevators and all other types of plants needed to round out its program; and it may sell or rent any of such projects when it is advantageous to do so. To finance any or all of its projects, it can raise its capital subject to the approval of the Georgia State Financing & Investment Commission, and, in general, function just as does any private corporation.

The Georgia Ports Authority operates deepwater facilities at ports of Savannah and Brunswick and inland barge terminals at Augusta, Bainbridge and Columbus, with solicitation offices in Atlanta, New York, Chicago, Tokyo, Japan, Athens, Greece, and Hong Kong.

The Authority consists of seven non-salary members, all appointed by the Governor for four-year terms, which are staggered. The members perform the functions of officers of a private corporation, and any five can constitute a quorum for doing business. They elect their own chairman and they employ and regulate the salaries and pay of all employees.

Members

Robert D. Miles, Chairman .................. Brunswick
Jack P. Turner, Jr., Vice-Chairman ............. Dalton
P.E. Clifton, Sr., Secty-Treas. .................. Savannah
Winston B. Brock .............................. Bainbridge
William O. Faulkner, Jr. ....................... Macon
H. Baxter Harcourt ....................... Columbus
Terry Johnson ................................. Augusta
George H. Chamlee, Attorney .................. Savannah

The Executive Director of the Georgia Ports Authority is appointed by the Authority, and serves at its pleasure.

Authority and responsibilities of the Georgia Ports Authority are enumerated in OCGA 52-2.

HISTORY. Savannah and Brunswick have served as important Georgia seaports for more than two hundred years. Private companies, local governments or special authorities operated the port facilities until 1945. The Georgia Ports Authority was created as a public corporation with perpetual existence, by the Act of March 9, 1945 (Ga. L. 1945, p. 464), as amended by the Act of Feb. 1, 1955 (Ga. L. 1955, p. 120).


EXECUTIVE STAFF OF GEORGIA PORTS AUTHORITY

Robert W. Goethe ............ Assistant Executive Director
Wesley Allen, Jr. ............ Director, Engineering, Construction & Maintenance
Jim Bisson .................. Director, Public Affairs
B. Richard Field ............ Director, Trade Development
Charles D. Parkinson ........ Director, Finance
J.B. Rollison ................ Director, Operations
Charles E. Steed ............ Director, Administration
John J. Donohue .. New York, Director, Port Development
Charles K. Baxter ............. Chicago, Western Regional Manager
John C. Deveraux ... Atlanta, Southern Regional Manager
Isao Togioka ................ Tokyo, Far Eastern Director
Basil G. Grekousis ............ Athens, Mediterranean, Middle East & Africa Director
Charles P. K. Leon .......... Hong Kong, Asia Director

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY

The Department of Public Safety has primary responsibility for the patrol of all public roads and highways in Georgia to enforce the traffic laws of the State and to prevent, detect, and investigate criminal acts performed on these highways or on state-owned property, including the arrest of those charged with committing such criminal acts. Additionally, the Department is empowered to enforce statutory laws of the State as to length, size, weight of motor vehicles and trailers on public highways.

The Department of Public Safety includes the following Divisions: Fiscal; Driver Support; Personnel and Training; and Georgia State Patrol, the members of which are uniformed and designated by grade and rank similar to the military.

The Department is also responsible for administering the Motor Vehicle Safety Responsibility Law and the No Fault Insurance Law.

In accordance with guidelines set forth by law, the Board of Public Safety formulates rules and regulations, which are administered by the Department of Public Safety, concerning the issuance, suspension, revocation or cancellation of drivers licenses.

All persons, firms, and companies engaged in the sale of pistols, revolvers or short barreled firearms must be licensed by the Department.

A 24 hour communication network providing both statewide and nationwide communications between law enforcement agencies is maintained by the Department.

The Board of Public Safety shall establish the general policy to be followed by the Department of Public Safety. The Governor, the Attorney General, and the Commissioner of Offender Rehabilitation serve as ex-officio members. Other members include representatives of the Georgia Sheriff’s Association, the Georgia Association of Chiefs of Police and the District Attorneys’ Association of Georgia, plus three members from the state-at-large.

Board of Public Safety

Joe Frank Harris ............ Governor, Chairman, ex-officio
J. Lane Johnston ............ District Attorney, Vice-Chairman
Franklin Thornton ............ Sheriff of Walton County, Secretary
Michael Bowers ............... Attorney General, ex-officio
David C. Evans ............... Commissioner, Dept. of Offender Rehabilitation, ex-officio
H.P. Craft, Jr. ................ Retired Chief of Police, Marietta
Tommy O. Morgan ............ Chief, Rockdale County Fire Dept.
Wayne Abernathy ............ Member-at-Large
Mrs. Luck Gambrell ............. Member-at-Large

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The chief administrative officer of the Department is the Commissioner of Public Safety, who holds the rank of Colonel in the Uniform Division. The Commissioner supervises, directs, accounts for, organizes, plans, administers and executes the legally mandated activities of the Department. With approval of the Governor, the Commissioner of Public Safety is appointed by and removed by the Board of Public Safety. Authority and responsibilities of the Department of Public Safety and of the Board of Public Safety are enumerated in OCGA 35.

HISTORY. The Department of Public Safety has its origins in a 1937 Act (Ga. L. 1937, p. 322), which established the Department as part of the Executive Branch of the State of Georgia and designated the Governor as Chairman of the Department. Other members of the Department were: Chairman of the Revenue Commission, Chairman of the Highway Board, the Comptroller General and a member of the Georgia Peace Officers Association. The Department was charged with the responsibility of appointing the Commissioner of Public Safety. This initial Act provided for the Uniform Division known as the Georgia State Patrol. In spite of numerous amending acts related to the Department, the primary responsibility of the State Patrol remains unchanged. In their 1937 Fords with bullet proof glass, the first state troopers patrolled the rural and public roads and highways of the State to "prevent, detect and investigate criminal offenses appertaining thereto, and to safeguard the lives and property of the public" (Ga. L. 1937, p. 337). The enacting legislation of the Department also provided for the establishment of a Division of Criminal Identification, Detection, Prevention, Investigation, which became known as the Georgia Bureau of Investigation and was established as a separate state agency in 1974. An amending Act of 1943 (Ga. L. 1943, p. 197), changed the composition of the Department and changed the name of the administrative officer to Director of Public Safety. The Executive Reorganization Act of 1972 established the Board of Public Safety, mandating it with policy making functions over the Department of Public Safety. The responsibilities of the Department of Public Safety were retained under the Reorganization Act, however, the name of the chief administrative officer was changed to Commissioner.

In 1973 (Ga. L. 1973, p. 1301) the Georgia Crime Information Center was established as a division of the Department. The functions of the G.C.I.C. were transferred to the G.B.I. when it was established as a separate state agency. Although the G.B.I. and the Department of Public Safety are separate agencies, both are subject to the policies approved by the Board of Public Safety, and they may enter into agreements subject to the Board's approval, for providing or combining resources as may be deemed useful in the performance of the official duties of either agency.


DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE

The Department of Revenue is the tax-collecting agency for the State and among the principal taxes collected are those on sales, motor fuel, income, alcoholic beverages, cigars and cigarettes, property, motor vehicle licenses and estates. It is the Commissioner's duty to administer all tax laws and he is empowered to make all rules and regulations necessary to the enforcement of those laws, including inspections and investigations when he deems them to be in the interest of the State. He also has authority to employ all personnel necessary for the functioning of the Department. He also is empowered and it is made his duty to enforce all laws and regulations pertaining to the control of alcoholic beverages within the State. In addition to other duties assigned to the Commissioner, it is specifically provided that he shall direct that appropriate legal action be taken to enforce the revenue laws of Georgia; shall request the Attorney General to command the services of county attorney or solicitor general or to supply legal assistance from the Department of Law; shall supervise all administration throughout the State, subject, however, to the sovereign rights of the counties to regulate their own affairs; shall make thorough study of taxation in Georgia and elsewhere with a view to improvement of administration and legislation affecting the people of Georgia; shall make an annual report to the Governor and biennial report to each regular session of the General Assembly; shall publish such regulations, statistics and other reports as he may deem wise within the limitations of his appropriation; shall assist local tax officials in every feasible manner when so requested by such official; and shall, as responsible revenue official of the State, advise the Governor on all matters relating to revenue.

Tax Settlement and Compromise Board — The purpose of the Board is to settle and compromise State tax assessments where there is doubt as to liability or collectibility and the settlement or compromise is in the best interest of the State. Members are the Attorney General, the State Auditor, and the State Revenue Commissioner.

State Board of Equalization — The purpose of the Board is to approve property tax assessments for taxpayers who return property to the State Revenue Commissioner, and to hear all appeals by those taxpayers from said assessments. Members include the State Auditor, the Executive Director of the State Properties Commission, and the State Revenue Commissioner.

The Revenue Commissioner is appointed by the Governor with the consent of the Senate and serves at the pleasure of the Governor. The Commissioner may appoint a Deputy Revenue Commissioner to whom he may delegate such duties and powers as he sees fit.

The Revenue Commissioner is an ex-officio member of the State Depository Board and is chairman and administrative officer of the State Tax Settlement and Compromise Board and of the State Board of Equalization. He also serves as an ex-officio member of the Board of Directors of the Metropolitan Atlanta Rapid Transit Authority.

Authority and responsibilities of the Department of Revenue are enumerated in OCGA 48.

HISTORY. The Tax Act of 1852 (Ga. L. 1851/1852, p. 288) provided for the Comptroller General to examine county tax digests and determine the amount of money owed to the state for real and personal estate taxes. An Act of 1913 (Ga. L. 1913, p. 123) established the office of State Tax Commissioner to act as assistant to the Comptroller General. The intent of this 1913 Act was to bring about equalization, as far as practical, of tax
rates throughout the State. A 1923 Act (Ga. L. 1923, p. 39) levied a cigarette and cigar tax and charged the Comptroller General with administering the Act.

The Department of Revenue, headed by a Commissioner of Revenue, was established in 1923 (Ga. L. 1923 Ex. Session, p. 13) to investigate and collect delinquent taxes of every kind. The Income Tax Act of 1931 (Ga. L. 1931 Ex. Session, p. 24), provided for the State Tax Commissioner to enforce the provisions of the Act. Later that year, during the regular session of the General Assembly, the offices of State Tax Commissioner and Commissioner of Revenue were abolished, with all of their powers and duties transferred to the newly formed State Revenue Commission (Ga. L. 1931, p. 31). Additional responsibilities assigned to the Commission included those previously vested with the Secretary of State in relation to motor vehicles, motorcycles, and chauffeurs. The Comptroller General was relieved of all duties relating to matters of taxation. The State Revenue Commission consisted of the Comptroller General and two Commissioners appointed by the Governor with advice and consent of the Senate (Ga. L. 1931, p. 31). A 1938 Act (Ga. L. 1937/1938, Ex. Session, p. 77) abolished the Revenue Commission and transferred all its functions to a new Department of Revenue, headed by a State Revenue Commissioner. The Department was authorized to perform all duties relating to taxation and licensing (except professional and occupational licensing) previously vested in any state or administrative office. In 1972 the Executive Reorganization Act transferred motor fuel testing and pump calibration functions as well as the State Oil chemist and functions to the Department of Agriculture; motor vehicle tag inspection and motor carrier permit inspections were transferred to the Department of Transportation. Another 1972 Act (Ga. L. 1972, p. 1120) designated the Board established by Act 223 in 1953 as the State Board of Equalization; and for administrative purposes attached it to the Department of Revenue.


Jack W. Morton, Deputy Commissioner

T. Terry Jackson, Deputy Commissioner, Tax Policy and Legal Affairs

Administrative Division — H. Randall Jones, Deputy Commissioner. Provides support services, such as special investigations, accounting services, personnel and training, fiscal operations, research and planning, public information, internal audit and management review for the Department.

Internal Administration — Robert L. Wilkes, Director. Provides support services, such as centralized processing, cashiering and accounting, procurement, records management, supplies, and mail sorting and distribution of all Divisions of the Department.

Central Audit — Ben McLaughlin, Director. With its staff of professional tax specialists, conducts statewide and nationwide income, sales, motor fuel and alcohol tax audits.

Field Services — John S. Smith, Director. Provides information and assistance to taxpayers; examines taxpayer registrations, ensures compliance with filing deadlines, and collects all delinquent accounts. The Alcohol and Tobacco Tax Unit of the Division enforces all laws and regulations pertaining to the manufacture, procession, transportation and sale of alcoholic beverages within the State. Additionally, the Unit issues licenses for the sale of distilled spirits, malt beverage, wine, cigars, and cigarettes. The Unit has the responsibility of enforcing the Motor Fuel Tax Laws.

Income Tax Division — John Carter, Director. Administers the Income Tax laws, maintains liaison with the legislative branch of State government, issues regulations pertaining to Income Tax and manages all taxpayer protests and hearings.

Motor Vehicle Division — Clint Moye, Director. Issues license tags and certificates of title; records liens and security information on all vehicles registered in the State; and provides information on all vehicles to local and state enforcement agencies.

Property Tax — C. Hart Pearson, Director. Administers all laws and regulations pertaining to property tax. The Division is charged with the overall supervision of the ad valorem tax, including approval of all county tax digests; assessment of all public utility property; and preparation of the assessment manual for motor vehicle property. Administration of county property revaluation programs, the Unclaimed Property Act, and the Intangible Tax and Real Estate Transfer Tax are among its responsibilities.

Sales and Use Tax — Chandler Hewell, Director. Separately accounts for the three percent sales and use tax on motor fuel purchases; and administers and collects the local option sales tax for participating counties and cities, and the rapid transit sales tax for DeKalb and Fulton Counties. The Sales and Use Tax Division also includes the Motor Fuel Tax Unit which administers all laws pertaining to motor fuel tax, motor carrier fuel tax and highway use tax. The Division also licenses motor fuel distributors and issues permits to motor carriers. Additionally, the Unit issues regulations and administers protests and hearings relating to motor fuel tax laws.

GEORGIA STUDENT FINANCE COMMISSION

The Georgia Student Finance Commission is the successor to the State Scholarship Commission. The Commission is the state budget unit for two agencies, the Georgia Higher Education Assistance Corporation (created by an Act approved March 12, 1965, Ga. L. 1965, p. 217) and the Georgia Student Finance Authority (Ga. L. 1969, p. 683). The Corporation and the Authority are public non-profit corporations created to administer programs of student financial assistance for Georgia residents who are pursuing education beyond the high school level.

Student assistance programs administered by the Georgia Student Finance authority include:
Student assistance programs administered by the Georgia Higher Education Assistance Corporation include:

- **The Student Incentive Grant Program** — This program is provided for residents of the state who demonstrate substantial financial need. Full-time undergraduate students are eligible to apply for this assistance.

- **The Tuition Equalization Grant Program** — This program is for Georgia residents attending Georgia private colleges and universities. Residents of the state enrolled as full-time undergraduate students at accredited private colleges and universities in Georgia are eligible to apply for grant assistance under this program.

- **The Law Enforcement Personnel Dependents Care Program** — Dependents of killed or permanently disabled policemen, firemen, prison guards and other law enforcement personnel are eligible to apply for grant assistance under this program.

- **The North Georgia ROTC Grant Program** — Full-time undergraduate students at North Georgia College in the Army Reserve Officers Training Corps are eligible to apply for grant assistance under this program.

- **The North Georgia College Military Scholarship Program** — Full-time undergraduate students exhibiting high academic merit, good character and leadership abilities are eligible to be recommended for award of this competitive scholarship (loan) by members of the Georgia General Assembly. Under certain limited circumstances, such a scholarship may have to be repaid as if it were a loan.

- **The State Direct Loan Program** — Undergraduate and graduate students are eligible to apply for a loan under this program to attend postsecondary schools located within or outside the state. Recipients of direct loans through the Georgia Student Finance Authority may repay their loans in service if they complete an educational program in an occupational area designated by the Commission as critically short of manpower. Other recipients repay their loans in cash at the applicable rate of interest.

- **The Osteopathic Medical Loan Program** — Residents of Georgia who elect to attend an eligible college or university of Osteopathic Medicine may be eligible for a loan from the Authority. Awards are based on financial need. Funds are repayable by practicing primary care Osteopathic Medicine in a medically underserved area in Georgia, or otherwise in cash plus interest.

The Commission consists of fifteen members, one for each congressional district and two from the state-at-large, appointed by the Governor, and the following three statutory members: the state budget officer, the state superintendent of schools and the chancellor of the University System of Georgia. Appointed members of the Commission serve six-year terms. Members of the Commission also serve as members of the Board of Directors of the Georgia Student Finance Authority and the Georgia Higher Education Assistance Corporation.

**Board of Directors**

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The Executive Director serves at the pleasure of the Board of Directors of the Commission, the Authority and the Corporation.

Authority and responsibilities of the Georgia Student Finance Commission are enumerated in OCGA 20-3.

**HISTORY.** The State Scholarship Commission was created by an Act approved March 12, 1965 (Ga. L. 1965, p. 210) and was designated a state department of government by the Reorganization Act of 1972. The name was changed from State Scholarship Commission to Georgia Student Finance Commission by Ga. L. 1980, p. 835.


**Eugene W. Owen**, Deputy Director

**Dot S. Burvee**, Admin. Asst. to the Executive Director

**Ralph D. Roberts**, Division Director, Administrative Services
Ronald Lauver, Division Director, Computer Services

Ms. W. Lee Sanford, Public Information Officer

Robert G. McCants, Division Director, State Loans and Grants

William H. Simmons, Division Director, Guaranteed Loans

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

The Department of Transportation (DOT), which consists of the State Transportation Board, the Commissioner of Transportation, the Deputy Commissioner of Transportation, the State Highway Engineer, the Treasurer and the Assistant Treasurer of Transportation, and such subordinate employees as the Commissioner deems necessary, is responsible for planning, designing, managing, constructing and maintaining a state highway system. Further, the DOT has jurisdiction over the construction and maintenance of all roads and bridges on the state highway system, though its responsibility is limited for those portions lying within the corporate limits of municipalities. The Department is responsible for planning, and in many cases constructing, air, water and rail transportation systems in a manner that assures their complementing each other. The DOT has jurisdiction over all state and federal funds appropriated for highway purposes except those state funds rebated directly to counties from the state motor fuel tax. General funds are granted directly to cities through the DOT budget.

Members of the State Transportation Board, comprising of one representative from each congressional district of the State, are elected by the General Assembly for five year terms in the manner prescribed by the OCGA 32-2-20(b). The Board elects a chairman and a vice-chairman from among its members. The Board similarly elects a secretary, who need not be a member of the Board. All Board officers serve at the Board’s pleasure. The Board meets in regular session at least one day of each month and at special meetings which may be called by the Commissioner, the chairman, or a majority of the Board members.

The Board is charged with the general control and supervision of the Department. Its duties, powers and authority, enumerated in OCGA 32-2-21, include designating public roads on the state highway system; approving negotiated construction contracts, authority-lease agreements or the advertising of nonnegotiated construction contracts; and approving all of the Department’s long-range plans and programs.

Board Members

J. O. Bacon .......... 1st District .... Pembroke
Hugh D. Broome ...... 2nd District .... Donalsonville
Frank Morast, Jr. ... 3rd District .... Columbus
Bill Evans ........... 4th District .... Stone Mountain
Brad Hubbert ......... 5th District .... Atlanta
Young H. Longino ... 6th District .... Fairburn
Thomas M. Mitchell ... 7th District .... Dalton
James L. Conner ...... 8th District .... HAZLEhurst
Doug Whitmire ...... 9th District .... Gainesville
Tom Carr ............. 10th District .... Sandersville

The Commissioner serves as the Department of Transportation’s chief executive officer with direct and full control of the Department. The Commissioner holds, exercises, and performs all duties, powers, and authority vested in the Department by law, except those expressly reserved to the Board. The Commissioner also serves as a member of the Georgia Highway Authority (OCGA 32-10-3); the State Tollway Authority (OCGA 32-10-61); and of the MARTA Board (Ga. L. 1976, p. 217). Effective March 9, 1983, the Commissioner is selected by a vote of the majority of the total number of members of the Board, and serves either at the pleasure of the Board or for a fixed term of up to four years, stipulated by the Board at the time of election (OCGA 32-2-40).

The Department of Transportation’s mandated activities and authority are enumerated in OCGA 32.

HISTORY. A 1916 Act of the General Assembly created the first State Highway Department (Ga. L. 1916, p. 125). The Act provided for a six member Highway Commission which was superceded by a State Highway Board in 1919 (Ga. L. 1919, p. 242). In 1943 a twelve member Commission, consisting of representatives from each congressional district and two at-large members appointed by the Governor for four-year terms, replaced the Board. A 1950 Act abolished the Commission and restored a Board of three members, one from each of three state highway districts, elected by the General Assembly (Ga. L. 1950, p. 62). The Board gained Constitutional status through a 1964 Constitutional amendment. The Executive Reorganization Act of 1972 created the present-day State Department of Transportation (Ga. L. 1972, p. 1015).

Thomas M. Mitchell ..... 7th District........... Dalton
James L. Conner ........ 8th District....... Hazlehurst


Officials

Hal Rives ............... State Highway Engineer
James D. McGee ........ Director, Planning & Programming
John Hassell .......... State Transportation Planning Engineer
Drew A. Brown .......... State Transportation Programming Engineer
Jim Stanley ......... Chief, Bureau of Public Transportation
Luke Cousins .......... Chief, Bureau of Aeronautics
Nancy Rosser .......... Chief, Office of State Aid
Alton L. Dowd, Jr. .... Director, Preconstruction
Floyd Hardy .......... State Road & Airport Design Engineer
William D. McCoy .... State Urban & Multi-Modal Design Engineer
Wendell B. Lawing ...... State Bridge & Structural Design Engineer
Robert L. Alston ........ State Location Engineer
Rodney Tarrer .......... State Right-of-Way Engineer
Alva R. Byrom ....... Director, Construction & State Construction Engineer
W.T. Stapler .......... State Materials & Research Engineer
Ronald S. Edmondson .... State Transportation Office Engineer
Allan Childers .......... Director, Operations
Stanley Lord .......... State Maintenance Engineer
Dewey Jones ............ State Utilities Engineer
Archie C. Burnham ...... State Traffic & Safety Engineer
Ken Copeland ......... Chief, Office of Permits & Enforcement
H.E. Hudgins, Jr. ... Equipment Management Administrator
Reginald L. Hunt .... Personnel Administrator
Jose’ Nieves ........ Systems Development Administrator
Dewey Woldof .......... Project Review Engineer
The University System of Georgia

and

BOARD OF REGENTS

The Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia governs, controls, and manages the University System and all of its institutions (1983 Constitution, Art. VIII, Sec. 4, Par. I and OCGA 20-3).

The University System of Georgia consists of eighteen universities and senior colleges and fifteen junior colleges. These institutions offer comprehensive programs of instruction, research and public service, and are located throughout the State so that approximately ninety-six percent of the population live within thirty-five miles of at least one of the institutions.

The fifteen member Board of Regents includes one member from each of the ten congressional districts and five members from the state-at-large. The members, who serve seven-year staggered terms, are appointed by the Governor, subject to confirmation by the State Senate.

Board Members

1st District
Arthur M. Gignilliat, Vice-Chairman ........ Savannah
William T. Divine, Jr. .................... Albany
John H. Robinson III ..................... Americus
Jackie M. Ward ............................ Atlanta
Elridge W. McMillan ....................... Atlanta

2nd District
Lloyd L. Summer, Jr. ...................... Rome

3rd District
Thomas H. Frier, Sr. ...................... Douglas
Sidney O. Smith, Jr., Chairman .......... Atlanta
Julius F. Bishop ............................ Athens
Member-at-Large
Marie W. Dodd .............................. Atlanta

Member-at-Large
John Henry Anderson ....................... Hawkinsville
Member-at-Large
Joseph D. Greene .......................... Thomson
Member-at-Large
Jesse Hill, Jr. .............................. Atlanta
Member-at-Large
John E. Skandalakis ....................... Atlanta

The Chancellor of the University System is appointed by and serves at the pleasure of the Board of Regents. As chief executive officer of the Board, the Chancellor is responsible for performing any duties directed by the Board. He also serves as the chief administrative officer of the University System, and generally, supervises all institutions.

Authority and responsibilities of the Board of Regents and the University System are enumerated in OCGA 20-3.

HISTORY. State supported higher education in Georgia traces to an act passed by the General Assembly in February 1784, setting aside 40,000 acres to endow a college or seminary of learning. That year, Abraham Baldwin drafted a charter for such an institution to be named Franklin College in honor of Benjamin Franklin. In January 1785, the legislature adopted the charter, making Franklin College (which became the University of Georgia in 1859) the oldest state-chartered university in the nation. Baldwin was named college president by its first board of trustees, although it was 1801 before Franklin College actually began operation. The same act also created a Senatus Academicus of the University of Georgia, comprised of the Board of Visitors and the Board of Trustees. The Board of Visitors, charged with "the general superintendence and regulation" of the University was comprised of the Governor and Council, the Speaker of the House of Assembly, and the Chief Justice of the State. The Senatus Academicus, a forerunner of the Board of Regents, was specifically charged with responsibility for governing the University, managing its property, and appointing its president, nominated by the Board of Trustees. The Board of Trustees had power to fill vacancies on the Board, to appoint professors and other university officers, set salaries, and prescribe the course of studies (Marbury & Crawford, p. 560). At various intervals, the General Assembly established additional state colleges and placed them under the control of individual boards of trustees. The passage of the Morrill Act in 1862 stimulated the expansion of state schools by providing federal land grants to support colleges which would emphasize academic programs related to agriculture and mechanical arts. An 1890 amendment to the Morrill Act provided annual cash grants to the land-grant colleges.

The Reorganization Act of 1931 abolished the individual trustee boards and placed all state supported colleges and the University of Georgia under a newly created Board of Regents of the University System. The General Assembly substantially increased the Board's powers in 1933. Among other provisions, rather than making separate appropriations to individual units, the General Assembly began appropriating a lump sum to the Board and authorized the Board to allocate these funds to the respective institutions as it deemed appropriate (Ga. L. 1933, p. 61).

The Board was also given broad powers to consolidate, suspend, or discontinue any institution, department, or course of study within the system. As a consequence, the number of system schools was reduced from twenty-five to eighteen; curriculum and admission standards were revised, new teacher training and graduate degree programs were inaugurated (Ga. L. 1933, p. 62). A building construction program, financed by a loan from the federal Public Works Administration, assisted the modern development of the University System.

An Act of 1937 increased the Board by four at-large members (Ga. L. 1937, p. 526). The Board was reorganized by a 1943 Act which provided for a new fifteen member Board; removed the Governor from its members; and made it a constitutional body (Ga. L. 1943, p. 670). These provisions were retained in the 1945 Constitution.

The Executive Reorganization Act of 1972 transferred the Ocean Science Center of the Atlantic Commission to the Board, and attached the State Medical Education Board admin-
remained unchanged by the Act (Ga. L. 1972, p. 1015).

**Officers and Staff of the Board of Regents and The University System of Georgia**

Vernon Crawford .................. Chancellor
H. Dean Propst .................. Executive Vice Chancellor
Henry G. Neal .................. Executive Secretary
Jacob H. Wamsley ............ Vice Chancellor, Fiscal Affairs
Frederick O. Branch ............ Vice Chancellor, Facilities
Howard Jordan, Jr. .......... Vice Chancellor, Services
Thomas F. McDonald ........ Vice Chancellor, Student Services
Harry B. O'Rear .......... Vice Chancellor, Health Affairs
Haskin R. Pounds ....... Vice Chancellor, Research & Planning
W. Ray Cleere .......... Vice Chancellor, Academic Affairs
James L. Carmon .......... Asst. Vice Chancellor, Computing Systems
Wanda K. Cheek ........ Asst. Vice Chancellor, Planning
Gordon M. Funk .......... Asst. Vice Chancellor, Fiscal Affairs/Personnel
Mary Ann Hickman .......... Asst. Vice Chancellor, Accounting Systems and Procedures
H. Guy Jenkins, Jr. .... Asst. Vice Chancellor, Facilities
Roger Mosshart ........ Asst. Vice Chancellor, Fiscal Affairs/Budgets
Don T. Davis ........ Asst. Vice Chancellor, Fiscal Affairs/Personnel
W. Curtis Spikes .... Asst. Vice Chancellor, Research


**Institutions of the University System of Georgia**

**Graduate**

Georgia Institute of Technology, Atlanta  
Joseph M. Pettit .................. President

Georgia State University, Atlanta  
Noah Langdale, Jr. .......... President

Medical College of Georgia, Augusta  
Jesse L. Steinfield .......... President

University of Georgia, Athens  
Fred C. Davison .......... President

*S*Skidaway Institute of Oceanography, Savannah  
David Menzel .................. Director

**Senior Colleges**

Albany State College, Albany  
Billy C. Black ........ President

Armstrong State College, Savannah  
Robert A. Burnett ........ President

Augusta College, Augusta  
George A. Christenberry .......... President

Columbus College, Columbus  
Francis J. Brooke ........ President

Fort Valley State College, Fort Valley  
Luther Burse .......... President

Georgia College, Milledgeville  
Edward G. Speir, Jr. .......... President

Georgia Southern College, Statesboro  
Dale W. Lick ........ President

Georgia Southwestern College, Americus  
William H. Capitan .......... President

Kennesaw College, Marietta  
Betty L. Siegel .......... President

North Georgia College, Dahlonega  
John H. Owen .......... President

Savannah State College, Savannah  
Wendell G. Rayburn .......... President

Southern Technical Institute, Marietta  
Stephen R. Cheshire .......... President

Valdosta State College, Valdosta  
Hugh C. Bailey .......... President

West Georgia College, Carrollton  
Maurice K. Townsend .......... President

**Junior Colleges**

Abraham Baldwin Agricultural College, Tifton  
Stanley R. Anderson .......... President

Albany Junior College, Albany  
B.R. Tilley .......... President

Atlanta Junior College, Atlanta  
Edwin A. Thompson .......... President

Bainbridge Junior College, Bainbridge  
Edward D. Mobley .......... President

Brunswick Junior College, Brunswick  
John W. Teel .......... President

Clayton Junior College, Morrow  
Harry S. Downs .......... President

Dalton Junior College, Dalton  
Derrell C. Roberts .......... President

Emanuel County Junior College, Swainsboro  
Willie D. Gunn .......... President

Floyd Junior College, Rome  
David B. McCorkle .......... President

Gainesville Junior College, Gainesville  
Hugh M. Mills, Jr. .......... President

Gordon Junior College, Barnesville  
Jerry M. Williamson .......... President

Macon Junior College, Macon  
Jack H. Ragland .......... (Acting) President

Middle Georgia College, Cochran  
Louis C. Alderman, Jr. .......... President

South Georgia College, Douglas  
Edward D. Jackson, Jr. .......... President

Waycross Junior College, Waycross  
James M. Dye .......... President

**DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS SERVICE**

The Department of Veterans Service and the Veterans Service Board are provided for in the State Constitution. The Department of Veterans Service is responsible, through various educational programs, for informing veterans, their surviving spouses, and their dependents of any and all rights accrued by virtue of the veteran's service under national, state, and local law. The Department also assists in the preparation of filing claims for benefits. Among the benefits the Department assists veterans, their families and dependents in procuring are those related to educational training and retraining; health, medical, rehabilitation, and housing services; employment and reemployment services; and financial rights, privileges and benefits provided by federal, state and local laws.
The Veterans Service Board consists of seven members appointed by the Governor, subject to confirmation by the Senate, to serve seven years each. It is the duty of the board to promulgate all rules and regulations necessary to accomplish its objectives. The Commissioner and all members of the Board must be veterans of some war or armed conflict in which the United States has engaged.

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The Department is administered by a Commissioner of Veterans Service and a Veterans Service Board. The Commissioner is appointed by the Board and serves as executive officer of the Department. It is his duty to administer and enforce all rules and regulations made by the Board.

Authority and responsibilities of the Department of Veterans Service are enumerated in OCGA 38-4.

### HISTORY

Georgia’s concern for her veterans may be traced to the post-Revolutionary War period, long before the formal establishment of a Department of Veterans Service. Through various legislative acts, the state provided veterans of the American Revolution and the Civil War with certain, specified benefits. In response to the needs of Spanish American War and World War I veterans, a Service Bureau was established in 1923 to assist ex-service men and women in securing benefits provided by federal legislation. The Reorganization Act of 1931 abolished the Service Bureau and the Georgia Soldiers Roster Commission and transferred all functions to the newly established Veterans Service Office. In 1937 the functions and responsibilities that related to Confederate veterans and their dependents were transferred to the State Department of Public Welfare; two years later these functions were transferred to the State Division of Confederate Pensions and Boards. Responsibility for non-Civil War veterans affairs remained with the Veterans Service Office until 1945 when the Department of Veterans Service was established (Ga. L. 1945, p. 319). The Department became a constitutional entity under the 1945 Constitution. In 1955 the Georgia State Veterans Home was established and responsibility for it was vested with the Veterans Home Commission. In 1960 the Commission was abolished and responsibility for the home was transferred to the Department of Veterans Service. Also in 1960, the Division of Confederate Pension and Records was abolished; its powers were transferred to the Department of Veterans Service and its records to the Department of Archives and History. In 1983 the title of Director of Veterans Service was changed to Commissioner of Veterans Service (Ga. L. 1983, p. 1401).

### STATE BOARD OF WORKERS’ COMPENSATION

The State Board of Workers’ Compensation enforces the provisions of the Workers’ Compensation Act. It receives claims for compensation, assigns claims to administrative law judges, and reviews and amends awards. The Board has authority to appoint deputies, reporters and all other necessary personnel, as well as to employ physicians or surgeons to examine parties claiming compensation.

The Board of Workers’ Compensation is composed of three members: a Director who represents labor, a Director who represents management and a Chairman who represents the interests of the public. The terms of office are four years each. The members are appointed by the Governor with the advice and consent of the Senate.

Authority and responsibilities of the State Board of Workers’ Compensation are enumerated in OCGA 34-9.

### HISTORY

The Act of March 25, 1937 (Ga. L. 1937, p. 230) placed within the Department of Labor, an Industrial Board which succeeded to all the powers and duties of the former Department of Industrial Relations, particularly administration of the Workmen’s Compensation Act of August 17, 1920 (Ga. L. 1920, p. 167). The Act of February 8, 1943 (Ga. L. 1943, p. 167) replaced the Industrial Board with the Board of Workmen’s Compensation. The Act of January 26, 1950 (Ga. L. 1950, p. 9) specified that the Commissioner of Labor should have only advisory power with regard to the Board. The Executive Reorganization Act of April 6, 1972 (Ga. L. 1972, p. 1015) created a Director of Administration for the Board. The Act of April 10, 1978 (Ga. L. 1978, p. 2220) changed the name to the Board of Workers’ Compensation.

### Board Members

- **Chairman**: Bruce B. Diggs, Assistant Commissioner
- **Vice-Chairman**: James J. Doyle, Supervisor, Education Division
- **Secretary (Member)**: Emmett W. Gore, Jr., Supervisor, Information Division
- **Vice-Chairman**: Tom J. Broussard, Jr., Supervisor, Claims Division
- **Secretary**: Bruce B. Diggs, Assistant Commissioner
- **Member**: Jere N. Moore, Supervisor, Education Division
- **Member**: Don L. Knowles, Assistant Commissioner

### Georgia Board of Workers’ Compensation

- **Chairman**: Bob J. Baker, Chairman, Georgia Board of Workers’ Compensation, Nov. 13, 2020
- **Vice-Chairman**: Don L. Knowles, Assistant Commissioner
- **Secretary**: Bruce B. Diggs, Assistant Commissioner

### Commissioners

- **Chairman**: Robert C. Morris, Supervisor, Claims Division
- **Vice-Chairman**: Don L. Knowles, Assistant Commissioner
- **Secretary**: Bruce B. Diggs, Assistant Commissioner

### Records

- **Director**: R.D. Smith, Jr., Director, Department of Veterans Service.
Workers' Compensation Medical Board

The Act of January 31, 1946 (Ga. L. 1946, p. 103) created a Medical Board to which the Board of Workers' Compensation must refer all controverted medical issues in claims involving occupational disease and disabilities. The findings of this Medical Board after hearings duly had are conclusive upon the Board of Workers' Compensation, but are subject to review and appeal in the same manner as are other questions of fact. The Medical Board is not subordinate to the Board of Workers' Compensation but is independent thereof, even though the latter Board pays the fees and expenses of its members and even though it functions only for the guidance and assistance of the latter Board in a specified class of claims.

The Medical Board consists of five qualified physicians appointed by the Governor upon nomination by the Medical Association of Georgia, or if the Association fails to nominate, then upon the nomination of the Board of Workers' Compensation. The terms of office are for two years each, staggered so that two vacancies occur in one year and three in the following year.

Medical Board Members
Dr. A.B. Conger, Chairman ................. Columbus
Dr. J.D. Christian, Jr. ....................... Augusta
Dr. Paul L. Bradley .......................... Dalton
Dr. Albert M. Davis ........................ Atlanta
Dr. Juel Pate Borders ....................... Atlanta

Division Heads
James C. Pullin ......................... Secretary-Treasurer
Calvin B. Southard ....................... Executive Assistant
Burton M. Wamble ....................... Director of Administration

Administrative Law Judges
David C. Stripling
Harold Irvin
Barbara LeBey
John A. Sligh, Jr.
Joseph Stargel
Effie Mahan
Julian B. Willingham
Alex Williams
Richard L. Rice
Clarence Lorentzson
Margaret Sally Jocoy
Gordon R. Zeese
Stephen J. Fain
Albert W. Thompson
William A. Murray
J. Wallace Speed
Administrative Services & The Purchasing & Supplies Division
Advisory Council

The purpose of the Council is to insure that a fair proportion of the total purchases and contracts or subcontracts for property, commodities, and services for the State be placed with small businesses, so long as the commodities and services of small businesses are competitive as to price and quality.

Bert C. Blackstock
John P. Dillard
Edward Enous
Wendell P. Holmes
Bobby Joe Womack

Aging, Council On

The Council serves in an advisory capacity to the Governor, General Assembly, Board of Human Resources, Department of Human Resources, and other State Agencies in matters relating to the elderly.

Naomi E. Maddox
Vita R. Ostrander
Barbara P. Payne
Claude P. Smith
Clara W. West
William J. Todd
George H. Coker, Jr., Ph.D
Beatrice McJunkins

Agrirama Development Authority

The Authority is to provide for the creation, maintenance, etc., of an Agricultural Museum in or around the City of Tifton, Georgia.

Ford B. Spinks

Alcohol & Drug Abuse Advisory Council, Georgia

The purpose of the Council is to develop a more comprehensive and coordinated approach to the problems of alcohol abuse, alcoholism, and drug abuse.

John C. Fullmer, Sr.
Conway Hunter, Jr., MD
Deedy Bartefeld
David W. Donley
C. Thomas Hester
John H. King III
John Mooney, MD
Roy E. Hatfield
Pat Smith
Albert Cardwell
Francis A. Adams
Ellen A. Charles
Peggy C. Guillebeau
Jiles Hamilton
Charles E. Smith

Area Planning & Development Advisory Committee

The purpose of the Committee is to advise the State Planning and Programming Bureau in matters relating to area or multi-county planning and development.

Charles M. Murray
Wayne H. Boling
Roy Vining, Jr.
Jack Brannon

Agrirama Development Authority

Ex-officio Members:

Governor
Commissioner of Agriculture
State Auditor
Attorney General
Lieutenant Governor

STEVE POLK, Director of Administration & Secretary-Treasurer, Building Authority
Building Authority
(Hospital)

Ex-officio Members:
Governor
State Auditor
Lieutenant Governor
Commissioner of Agriculture
Attorney General

Building Authority
(Markets)

Ex-officio Members:
Governor
State Auditor
Lieutenant Governor
Commissioner of Agriculture
Attorney General

Building Authority
(Penal)

Ex-officio Members:
Governor
State Auditor
Lieutenant Governor
Commissioner of Agriculture
Attorney General

State Campaign & Financial Disclosure Commission

The Commission shall provide procedures for public disclosure of contributions and expenditures made in connection with campaigns for all Constitutional, State, County and Municipal officers who are elected.

Oliver C. Bateman, Chairman
Gloria J. Butler, Vice-Chairperson
Jerry D. Sanders
Mary Martin Bowen
J. Thomas Vance
Robert P. Lane, Executive Secretary

Cancer Advisory Committee

The purpose of the Committee is to establish in the Adult Health Section of the Department of Human Resources a program for the control and prevention of cancer and for the care of patients suffering from cancer.

Brenda E. Sanford
Robert L. Brown, MD
Simpson J. Clark
M. Julian Duttera, MD
Mrs. Donald C. Knighton
James W. Mathis, MD
Abdel H. Ragab, MD
Ted R. Ridlehuber
William A. Scoggin, MD
S. Angier Wills, MD
Ann Chappell
Bobbie Brewer

Coastal Management Board, Georgia

The purpose of the Board is to insure that as development along the Georgia coast intensifies, it will be compatible with the natural environment.

Hans Neuhauser
George L. Hannaford
David Hornsby
Thomas Parker

Katharine V. Hoffman
Carlton Gill
Dan Williams
Don Mendonsa
Thomas Owen
Marvin F. Clark
J.D. Benefield

Karlton Gill
Dan Williams
Don Mendonsa
Thomas Owen
Marvin F. Clark
J.D. Benefield

Compensation, State Commission On

The purpose of the Commission is to assist the General Assembly in setting the compensation of the constitutional State officers including the members of the General Assembly and full-time Heads of State Agencies, Authorities, Boards, Bureaus, Commissions, Committees and Departments whose compensation is set by the Constitution, by law or by Act of the General Assembly.

James H. Blanchard
Marian A. Sumner
Hugh M. Tarbutton
Edward M. McIntyre

J. Oliver Brown
Jack Carney
Linda DePascale
Eugene Bartenfield, Jr.
Benjamin R. Dixon
Frank Barron, Jr.
E. Lamar Seales, Jr.
Mattie L. Moon
John C. Melton

Carolyn S. Weeks
J. Oliver Brown
Jack Carney
Linda DePascale
Eugene Bartenfield, Jr.
Benjamin R. Dixon
Frank Barron, Jr.
E. Lamar Seales, Jr.
Mattie L. Moon
John C. Melton

Consumer Affairs, Office Of

The purpose of the Office is to protect consumers and legitimate business enterprises from unfair or deceptive practices in the conduct of any trade or commerce in the State. The Office is attached to the Office of the Governor for administrative purposes only and a Consumer Advisory Board provides advice and recommendations to the Administrator of the Office.

Carolyn S. Weeks
J. Oliver Brown
Jack Carney
Linda DePascale
Eugene Bartenfield, Jr.
Benjamin R. Dixon
Frank Barron, Jr.
E. Lamar Seales, Jr.
Mattie L. Moon
John C. Melton

Consumers’ Utility Counsel, Office Of

The Office represents residential customers and small business customers in proceedings before the Georgia Public Service Commission and the Federal Regulatory Commission. It is attached to the Office of Planning and Budget for administrative purposes only.

Victor M. Baird, Consumers’ Utility Counsel

Court Organization & Structure Commission

The purpose is to make a comprehensive study of the present court structure and to provide for the creation of a State Court of Claims to process claims against the State and its political subdivisions.

Harold N. Hill, Jr.
Julian Webb
Harold Banke
Marcus B. Calhoun
Asa D. Kelley, Jr.
Horace T. Ward
Watson L. White
Roy D. Moultrie
Alton W. Tucker
Adam H. Greene
Aaron Cohn
Thomas A. Parker

Harold N. Hill, Jr.
Julian Webb
Harold Banke
Marcus B. Calhoun
Asa D. Kelley, Jr.
Horace T. Ward
Watson L. White
Roy D. Moultrie
Alton W. Tucker
Adam H. Greene
Aaron Cohn
Thomas A. Parker

Lawrenceville
Macon
Columbus
Waycross

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Organized Crime Prevention Council

The Council was created to prevent further intrusion of organized crime into the State.

F.D. Hand, Jr. Decatur
Jack E. Mallard Atlanta
E. Philip Peters, Sr. Atlanta
Harold P. Craft, Jr. Marietta
Earl D. Lee Douglasville
George W. Ward Elberton
William S. Lee Albany

Criminal Justice Council

The purpose is to provide, coordinate, upgrade and expend indigent defense services throughout the State in conformity with the administration of all LEAA funds and for other purposes.

John T. Shope Woodstock
J. Carlton Harris, Sr. Toccoa
Tracy Stallings Carrollton
Ronnie Rogers Dublin
Mel Pender Marietta
Jim Goolsby Griffin
Richard M. Bond Americus

Criminal Law Study Committee

The purpose of this Committee is to conduct a thorough study of the criminal laws of this State and all laws relating directly or indirectly thereto.

Harold G. Clarke Forsyth
Marcus B. Calhoun Thomasville
Reid Merritt Lawrenceville
Robert S. Stubbs II Atlanta
Robert H. Walling Decatur
R. Avon Buice Perry

Deaf, Council On The

The Council is authorized to review and evaluate programs for the deaf, advise State Agencies and political subdivisions concerning programs for the deaf, develop new programs and assist and service the needs of hearing impaired citizens.

Buddy Childers Rome
Charles Wessels Savannah
Wayne Bland Chamblee
Thomas J. Lawrie Stone Mountain
Adam Roche, Jr. Marietta
Isabella C. Holmes Atlanta
Jimmy H. Whitworth Cave Spring
Amy Pashcall Decatur
Alvin E. Steele, Jr. Cave Spring
Charlene Lavine Atlanta
Bill Hopkins, Jr. Atlanta
Beverly Bedwell Atlanta
Doris Elley Atlanta
James Anderson Decatur
Thomas W. Richardson Savannah
Winifred Levinson Atlanta

Development Authority

The corporate purpose and the general nature of the business of this Authority shall be (1) rural rehabilitation permissible under the charter of the Georgia Rural Rehabilitation Corporation, (2) the development of agriculture and industry gener-

ally by providing or securing or guaranteeing loans for such purposes, and (3) possession of and operation under any franchise, license or permit granted to it.

Leon Norman Moultrie
Frances E. Sammons Decatur
Thomas P. Stickland Cartersville
Russell Thomas, Jr. Americus
Dean Hayes Calhoun
H.C. Hearn, Jr. Claxton
Albert Billingslea Macon

Development Disabilities Services & Construction, State Planning & Advisory Council For

The purpose of the Council is to develop a plan for providing comprehensive services to persons affected by mental retardation and other developmental disabilities originating in childhood.

Roger C. Byrd Hazlehurst
Betty R. Burke Atlanta
John Baird Atlanta
D.M. Baird Griffin
Emmett S. Aniton Columbus
Charles Kimber Atlanta
Gloria P. Sears Nahunta
Shirley A. Tate Riverdale
Jared L. Moore Griffin

Disabled Georgians, Council On

The Council implements recommendations of the White House Conference on Handicapped Individuals and Sec. 504 of 1974 Rehabilitation Act as amended.

James Bailey, M.D. Atlanta
Dennis Celorie Atlanta
Huey Charlton Atlanta
James L. Cherry Lilburn
Dr. Frances Duncan Columbus
Susan Folsom Albany
Kate Gainer Atlanta
Gainor Gunter Atlanta
Clark Harrison Decatur
Michael Lee Riverdale
Jackie Miller Macon
Tom O'Bryant Atlanta
Tom Richardson, Jr. Savannah
Nathaniel Wall Decatur
Diane Newman Atlanta

Economic Development Council

The purpose of the Council is to encourage economic development within the State.

Zell B. Miller Atlanta
W. Milton Folds Atlanta
R.L. Yobs Atlanta
Ernest E. Melvin Athens
Gene Dyson Atlanta
Garland G. Fritts Atlanta
Carroll C. Underwood Camilla
Duane Grice Augusta
Dr. Henry Thomassen Atlanta
Charles E. Crowder Atlanta
Robert H. Evans Dublin
William E. Lovett, Jr. Toccoa
W. Cameron Mitchell Hampton
Quinn Hudson Atlanta
Gil Harbin Valdosta
Education, Governor's Task Force On

The Task Force advises the Governor on approaches of upgrading educational quality in public schools; identifies outstanding educational programs in the State; assesses the state of public education in Georgia.

Charles Allen
Gordon Bondurant
Charles L. Cain
W.L. Colombo
Ellen Coody
Ruth Downs
Dr. Robert Driscoll
Dr. H.M. Fulbright
Dorothea Jackson
Frances LaFarge
Mary Long
Marie B. Martin
Philip McGregor
Peggy Neal
James Nolan
Dr. Christopher Sharp
Jo Ann Stallings
Katherine Stalvey
Virginia Stringer
Anne Stroud
Ernest L. Stroud, Jr.
Doris Thomas
Florence Warren
Dr. Justine Washington
Peyton Williams
Geraldine Wright

Cleveland
Rome
Watkinsville
Jefferson
Atlanta
West Point
Clarkston
Carrollton
Morrow
Macon
Newnan
Madison
Decatur
Athens
Macon
Dahlonega
Columbus
Marietta
Atlanta
Albany
Jonesboro
Savannah
Roswell
Augusta
Sylvania
Jackson

Post-Secondary Education, Governor's Committee On

The purpose of this Committee is to advise the Governor on post-secondary education in Georgia.

Susan Hitchcock
Dr. Cameron Fincher
Dr. Alton C. Crews
Richard C. Owens
Herman L. Moore
Dr. Charles R. Nash
J. Derward Powell
Dr. Vivian Robinson
Dr. Carol M. Thigpen
Barbara B. Selby

Atlanta
Athens
Lawrenceville
Ocilla
Atlanta
Savannah
Rome
Augusta
Atlanta
Marietta

Election Board, State

The Board provides for the regulation of Federal, State and county nominating primaries and general elections. Regulations are established for the registration of electors, the defining of powers and duties of local boards of registrars, the creation and alteration of voting districts, the equipping of polling places and supplying them with ballots and other materials, prescribing times for holding primaries and elections, the registration of political organizations with the Secretary of State, qualifying candidates seeking nomination, providing voting machines and requirements for their preparation and use, the establishment of procedures for voting by absentee ballot and the establishment of procedures for the count and return of ballots.

Max Cleland, Sec. of State
Oscar B. Persons
Bernard Taylor
M.M. Smith

Atlanta
Atlanta
Decatur
Atlanta

Employees' Assurance Department, State Board of Directors

The purpose of this Board is to manage the State ECS Assurance Dept., which provides group term life insurance coverage for eligible State employees.

James A. Blissitt
Langdon C. Sheffield

Augusta
Americus

Employment & Training Council, Georgia

The Georgia Employment and Training Council established pursuant to the Public Law which states "The Comprehensive Employment and Training Act of December 28, 1973 (P.L. 93-203, 87 STAT. 839) under Section 107(a) states that any state designated as prime sponsor shall establish an employment and training council." This provides for the functions and organization of the Council; provides that the State Department of Labor be authorized to act in behalf of the Governor in matters relating to State Prime Sponsorship and states that the Council shall exist only so long as the Public Act is in effect.

Herbert H. Mabry
Edison McDonald
Dr. William P. McNair
James N. Parkman
Frank J. Phillips
Pauline Pledger
Dr. Kathleen D. Crouch
Mel L. Davis
J.V. Edmonson
Dr. Joseph G. Freund
Billy George
Patricia Johnson
Dr. Howard Jordan, Jr.
Howard L. Weeks

Atlanta
Atlanta
Atlanta
Atlanta
Marietta
Cedartown
Atlanta
Atlanta
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Atlantic
Atlanta

Energy Resources, Georgia Council For

The Council is to evaluate and assess State energy policies and their impact upon the economy and environment; encourage cooperation of federal, state and local governmental officers, units and agencies in promotion and attainment of the industrial and commercial organizations, labor organizations and other identifiable groups in order to develop and implement programs; recommend actions which would assist in eliminating duplication of effort among governmental departments and agencies involved in energy activities; recommend to the Governor actions needed to accomplish the purpose.

J.F. McCloud
Thomas O. Cordy
Clyde D. Cox
G. Mayo Livingston, Jr.

Brunswick
Atlanta
Gainesville
Atlanta

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Environmental Facilities Study Commission

The Commission shall examine current and future needs of local governments in developing and improving environmental facilities and utilizing existing facilities. Local participation in the program will be encouraged.

Rowland A. Radford
Joseph W. Whorton, Jr.

Executive Center Fine Arts Committee

The purpose is to promote a greater understanding and awareness of the history and significance of the Executive Mansion.

Henry D. Green
Katharine Farnham
Holcombe T. Green, Jr.
Florence Griffin
Gudmund Vigtel
Janice Biggers
William Banks, Jr.
Christine Lambert
John Hardman, M.D.

Factory-Built Housing Advisory Committee

The purpose of the Committee is to provide certification of Factory-Built Housing.

Andrew J. Gravino
William Hewes
C. Allen Ivey
W. Earl Strother, Sr.
J.H. Wheeler
William C. Painter, Jr.
Gerald Thompson
Marvin Dunn
George Lott

Fair Employment Practices, Office Of

The purpose of the Office is to investigate complaints of discrimination and to safeguard individuals in public employment from discrimination because of race, color, religion, national origin, sex, handicap and age. The Office is attached to the Governor's office for administrative purposes only. The Fair Employment Practice Advisory Board assists the Administrator in an advisory capacity.

Board Members:

Robert Buckler
Ann Curry
Marymal Dryden
Rebecca Gonzalez
Thomas Jones
H. Michael Mahany
Priscilla Roberts
Tobiane Schwartz
Janice J. Christian, Administrator

Family Planning Special Council

The purpose of the Council is to implement and coordinate a comprehensive voluntary family planning program throughout Georgia to enable all citizens to receive maximum benefits of household and family planning.

Priscilla Darley
Annie Barnes
Lorenzo Benn
Leon L. Blount
Ellen A. Charles
Arthur L. Cooke
Janice S. Horton
Allison A. Hutcherson
Lynn J. Jones
Alice B. McDonald
Arnold McKinney

Forest Research Council

The Council advises the Forestry Commission with respect to matters relating to forestry research.

Martha C. Shingler
Cecil M. Hodges, Jr.
Sue Clark
S.C. Cadwell
Duross Fitzpatrick
Klaus Steinbeck

Great Park Authority

The purpose is to formulate a development plan of implementation for the creation of a unique inner city great park within the City of Atlanta.

Jean Bowen
Marshall C. Dunaway, MD
Wasden Graydon, Jr.
Miriam F. Hand
Dr. Sam F. Dayton
Johanna McMullan
Avery Stroud
Eleanor Granum, RN
Rodney Wilcox
William J. Breeding
Lillian Easterlin
Dr. Lois T. Ellison
Troy Athon
James Haddle, Jr.
Joseph Smith
Roy L. Jackson
Joyce Pareigis, RN
H. Zack Smith, Jr.
Sue H. Oliver
Ernest Bacon
Janet Sue Osterhaus
Ronald W. Bowers, DDS
Henry L. Cook, Sr.

Health Coordinating Council, Georgia Statewide

The purpose of Council is to adopt the State Health Plan and State Medical Facilities plan, to review and make recommendations for the criteria and rules for the administration of new institutional health services or health care facilities.

Doug Skelton
Marshall C. Dunaway, MD
Wasden Graydon, Jr.
Miriam F. Hand
Dr. Sam F. Dayton
Johanna McMullan
Avery Stroud
Eleanor Granum, RN
Rodney Wilcox
William J. Breeding
Lillian Easterlin
Dr. Lois T. Ellison
Troy Athon
James Haddle, Jr.
Joseph Smith
Roy L. Jackson
Joyce Pareigis, RN
H. Zack Smith, Jr.
Sue H. Oliver
Ernest Bacon
Janet Sue Osterhaus
Ronald W. Bowers, DDS
Henry L. Cook, Sr.
Heritage Trust Commission

The purpose of the Commission is to advise the Governor and Board of Natural Resources on all matters concerning the State Heritage Trust Program. The Commission is empowered to make recommendations to the Board about identification, designation and acquisition of areas of historical or ecological significance.

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<th>Heritage Trust Commission Member</th>
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<td>Ruth K. Council</td>
<td>Valdosta</td>
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<td>Janice Biggers</td>
<td>Columbus</td>
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<td>Ann J. Singer</td>
<td>Lumpkin</td>
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<td>Loraine P. Williams</td>
<td>Atlanta</td>
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<td>Eunice L. Mixon</td>
<td>Tifton</td>
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<td>William L. Berry</td>
<td>Villa Rica</td>
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<td>Duane Grice</td>
<td>Savannah</td>
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Charles H. Herty Foundation

The purpose is to experiment in pulpwood of all kinds and to discover and determine uses for which same are adaptable, and to permit those State, subdivisions, corporations and individuals who contribute to the maintenance and support of said Foundation to share fully and equally in the accomplishments and services of said Foundation.

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<th>Charles H. Herty Foundation Member</th>
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<td>L.O. Peebles, Jr.</td>
<td>Pitts</td>
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<td>Bobby R. Dixon</td>
<td>Vidalia</td>
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<td>H. Lehman Franklin, Jr.</td>
<td>Statesboro</td>
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<td>Preston M. Blackwelder, Jr.</td>
<td>Port Wentworth</td>
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<td>John D. Ellington</td>
<td>Soperton</td>
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<td>William E. Eason, Jr.</td>
<td>Atlanta</td>
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Highway Safety, Office Of

The Office of Highway Safety is charged and empowered to carry out the responsibilities established by the National Highway Safety Act of 1966, Pub. Law 89-564.

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<th>Highway Safety, Office Of Member</th>
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<td>Carlton Fisher, Director</td>
<td>Atlanta</td>
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Jekyll Island State Park Authority

Acting as a public corporation, the purpose of the Authority is to improve, beautify, maintain, and otherwise manage Jekyll Island as a State Park, without expense to the State.

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<th>Jekyll Island State Park Authority Member</th>
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<td>E. Thomas Stroud</td>
<td>St. Simons Island</td>
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<td>John T. McTier</td>
<td>Valdosta</td>
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<tr>
<td>J.W. Holloway</td>
<td>Marietta</td>
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<tr>
<td>Judith F. Arrington</td>
<td>Atlanta</td>
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Judicial Nominating Commission

The Commission is created to submit nominees for judicial vacancies filled by Executive appointment in all courts of record in Georgia.

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<th>Judicial Nominating Commission Member</th>
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<tr>
<td>Jane G. Kahn</td>
<td>Savannah</td>
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<td>Romae T. Powell</td>
<td>Atlanta</td>
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<tr>
<td>George W. Felker III</td>
<td>Monroe</td>
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<td>A.G. Cleveland</td>
<td>Atlanta</td>
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<td>John H. Ruffin, Jr.</td>
<td>Augusta</td>
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Judicial Qualifications Commission

The purpose of the Commission is to conduct investigations and hearings on the removal or retirement of justices or judges and to make recommendations to the Georgia Supreme Court on its findings and conclusions.

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<td>Ed Voyles</td>
<td>Marietta</td>
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<td>Laura D. Rains</td>
<td>Atlanta</td>
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<tr>
<td>Barbara L. Carter</td>
<td>Atlanta</td>
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<td>Howard Ector</td>
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Lake Lanier Islands Development Authority

The purpose of the Authority is the development of the islands in Lake Lanier as a State Park.

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<th>Lake Lanier Islands Development Authority Member</th>
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<td>Frank Turk</td>
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<td>Betty Benson</td>
<td>Cumming</td>
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<td>Philip A. Wilheit</td>
<td>Gainesville</td>
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<td>Johnnie L. Clark</td>
<td>Atlanta</td>
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<tr>
<td>Joseph E. Cheeley, Jr.</td>
<td>Buford</td>
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<td>Jacqueline V. Biggins</td>
<td>Atlanta</td>
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Literature Commission

The purpose of this Commission is to make such investigations as may be necessary into all sales of literature which it has reason to suspect is detrimental to the morals of the citizens of this State; to hold hearings and make findings on literature it has found to be obscene through investigation or evidence.

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<th>Literature Commission Member</th>
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<tr>
<td>Dr. James P. Wesberry</td>
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Maternal & Infant Health, Council On

The purpose is to serve in an advisory capacity to State Board of Health and other State agencies in all matters of maternal and infant health.

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<th>Maternal &amp; Infant Health, Council On Member</th>
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<td>Joseph T. Christmas, MD</td>
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<td>Dr. Joyce F. Dillon</td>
<td>Powder Springs</td>
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<td>Dr. William P. Kanto, Jr.</td>
<td>Atlanta</td>
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<td>Dr. Stuart Levi</td>
<td>Columbus</td>
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<td>Macon</td>
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<td>John T. Holloway, MD</td>
<td>Waycross</td>
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<tr>
<td>Jane F. Kimbel, RN</td>
<td>Athens</td>
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<tr>
<td>Carol G. Pryor, MD</td>
<td>Augusta</td>
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Medical Education Board

The purpose of the Board is to receive and pass upon all applications for loans or scholarships made by Georgia students who desire to become doctors of medicine.

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Mental Health & Mental Retardation, State Advisory Council For

The Council advises the Governor, Department and Board of Human Resources on the efficiency of the State's mental health and mental retardation program and the need for legislation and expansions of the program.

Conway Hunter, Jr., MD  Atlanta
Dr. C.O. Templeton  Valdosta
Dr. Glenn A. Vergason  Atlanta
Wiley Bolden  Atlanta
Robert C. Cook  Savannah
James C. Bush  Albany
Joe Burton  Atlanta

Occupational Information Coordinating Committee, Advisory Council To The Georgia State

The Council was created to serve as advisors to the State Occupation Information Coordinating Committee as required by federal law.

Herbert H. Mabry  Atlanta
George Caudell  Atlanta
Hugh L. Gordon  Marietta
Helen Butler  East Point
Betty Campbell  Atlanta
Dr. Russell Mercer  Atlanta
Dr. Kathleen Crouch  Atlanta
Helen Collins  Atlanta

Peace Officers Standards & Training Council

The purpose of the Council is to approve schools and to prescribe minimum qualifications for instructors at approved schools and to train instructors; to determine whether a candidate has met the requirements and is qualified to be employed as a peace officer and to issue a certificate to those qualified.

Louis Graham  Atlanta
Lawrence E. Mahany  Savannah
Vivian A. Underwood  Decatur
James E. Dearing  Atlanta
Merrill A. Greathouse  Thomaston
Leslie Summerford  Albany
Charles Kent  Tifton
Gary B. Shepherd  LaGrange

Personnel Administration Review Panel

This Panel reviews Departmental requests to the State Personnel Board to change decisions made by the Commissioner of Personnel Administration relative to the administration of the Board's rules and presents its recommendations and findings to the Board.

Martha D. Hazelton  Atlanta
Ronald L. Powell  Atlanta
Howard L. Weeks  Atlanta
Peyton Williams, Jr  Atlanta
Randall Jones  Atlanta
Jimmy Bohanan  Atlanta

Private Colleges & Universities Facilities Authority

The purpose of the Authority is to acquire, construct and equip self-liquidating projects consisting of educational facilities for lease or sale to private institutions of higher education.

Julia L. Mitchell  Decatur
Cornelius L. Henderson  College Park

Professional Standards Commission

The Commission advises the Board of Education on Establishment of Standards and guidelines aimed at upgrading the teaching profession and tightening standards for training and certifications of Educators.

Glenn E. Heck  Warner Robins
Barbara Hatton  Atlanta
Peggy Neal  Bishop
Anne Flowers  Statesboro
John Goodlett  Atlanta
Dr. Sherman R. Day  Atlanta

Real Estate Commission

The purpose of the Commission is to regulate the real estate profession in Georgia.

(See list of members under Secretary of State, Examining Boards Division.)

Georgia Residential Finance Authority

The purpose of the Authority is to make loans to qualified housing sponsors or public bodies or agencies for the construction or rehabilitation of such housing developments which have promise of supplying on a rental, cooperative, or home ownership basis adequately designed housing for families and persons of low and moderate incomes.

J. Griffin Doyle  Decatur
Herbert R. Black  Savannah
Clinton Brannen, Jr.  Unadilla
Zack D. Cravey, Jr.  Norcross
J. Owen Westbrook  Bremen

Roosevelt Warm Springs Memorial Advisory Committee

The Committee provides advice as necessary and appropriate to the Department and Board of Human Resources, Division of Vocational Rehabilitation and Executive Director of the Roosevelt Warm Springs Rehabilitation Center to promote programs, services and facilities of the Center.

Carolyn Carter  Sea Island
Rupert H. Bramblett, MD  Cumming
Harold H. Martin  Atlanta
Charles L. Gowen  Atlanta
Dr. Waights G. Henry, Jr.  LaGrange
Dr. Dexter Jordan  Columbus

Semiquincentenary Commission, Georgia

The duties of the Commission shall be to prepare, to promote and to publicize observances and activities commemorating the 250th anniversary of the founding of Georgia.

Betty Ellington  Savannah
John Hayes  Savannah
Robert R. King  Atlanta
Dr. Preston Russell  Savannah
Dr. R. Frank Saunders, Jr.  Portal
Soil & Water Conservation Committee

The purpose of this Committee is to provide for the conservation of the soil and water resources of this State.

Amon L. Corn
H. Crawford Hewell
Garland Thompson
J. Frank Murrah
J. M. Plemmons
Jimmy S. Johnson
Cumming
Jonesboro
Douglas
Richland
Ringgold
Jefferson

Southern Growth Policies Board

The purpose of the Board is for mutual improvement of each State in the region by cooperative planning for the development, conservation and efficient utilization of human and natural resources.

Linda B. Loughlin
Richard L. Greene
Robert D. Spratlin
Atlanta
Macon
Marietta

Sports Hall Of Fame Board

The purpose of the board is to honor those, living or dead, who by achievement or service have made outstanding and lasting contributions to sports and athletics in Georgia or elsewhere.

Spec Landrum
Loran Smith
Morris Bryan
Pete Cox
Dorothy Kirby
Ray Beck
Stan Lomax
Joe Gerson
Harley Bowers
Athens
Athens
Jefferson
Albany
Atlanta
Cedartown
Ft. Valley
Atlanta
Macon

Stone Mountain Memorial Association

Acting as a public corporation, the purpose of the Association is to construct, repair, improve, maintain and manage Stone Mountain and the property adjacent thereto as a confederate memorial.

Susan Cahoon
Steve Johnson
Kirby Clements, Sr.
John Hunt
David K. Holis, Jr.
Eula L. Adams
Atlanta
Decatur
Atlanta
Tifton
Hahira
Atlanta

Subsequent Injury Trust Fund, Board Of

The purpose of the Board is to provide for the administration and organization of the Subsequent Injury Fund as it relates to Workers' Compensation.

Thomas R. Gaines
Edward J. Bartlett
Janis S. Murray
James A. Neal, Sr.
James C. Thompson
Lewis M. Lowe
Liburn
Savannah
Athens
Toccoa
Haralson
Americus

Tax Reform Commission, Georgia

The purpose of the Commission is to design a balanced tax system with fewest inequities within the structure of various taxes which enable decisions of individuals and businesses with respect to location, investment and spending to be minimally influenced by tax consequences.

Jimmy Lester
Marcus E. Collins, Sr.
Charles Hatcher
A.L. Burruss
George Williamson
Sidney J. Marcus
Hugh Gillis
Al Holloway
John R. Riley
Horace E. Tate
Loyce W. Turner
Clark T. Stevens
William J. Breeding
Curtis H. Cadenhead, Jr.
Charles Kent
Lex Strickland
George L. O'Kelley, Jr.
Constance Hunter
Tom Faircloth
Dr. Charles McDaniel
Augusta
Pelham
Albany
Marietta
Atlanta
Monroe
Atlanta
Soperton
Albany
Savannah
Atlanta
Valdosta
Atlanta
Greensboro
Atlanta
Tifton
Claxton
Athens
Athens
Thomasville
Atlanta

Teachers' Retirement System of Georgia, Board of Trustees

The purpose of the Board is to manage a retirement system for aged and incapacitated teachers in the State Public Schools and other State-supported Schools and to provide a method of financing said system.

Ernest L. Stroud, Jr.
Kyle D. Smith, Jr.
Lithangia E. Robinson
Dr. J.C. Mullis
Fern B. Patterson
Edward V. Deaton
Jonesboro
Decatur
Marietta
Athens
Flowery Branch
Columbus

Vocational Education, State Advisory Council On

The purpose of the Council is to assist in the preparation, review and submission of grants for vocational education as required by Federal law.

Paul E.X. Brown
Julia M. Payne
Gene H. Sheheane
Richard H. Werner
Clifford R. Jewell
Derward Powell
Neal Rumble
Lois Sealy
Atlanta
Columbus
Norcross
Atlanta
Atlanta
Rome
Fort Valley
Decatur

Women, Commission On Status Of

The purpose of the Commission is to conduct studies, research, make investigations and surveys on the health and welfare of women, problems of the working woman, problems of the urban and suburban homemaker and equal status for women.

Connie Schlak
Mamie K. Taylor
Elaine Alexander
Janet Barker
Dee W. Bryant
Angel Cobb
Mary D. Davis
Gail Feingold
Liburn
Atlanta
Atlanta
Warner Robins
Columbus
Macon
Atlanta
Camilla
World Congress Center Authority,
George L. Smith, II, Georgia

The Authority was created to supervise the overall operations of the Center and grant final approval for the overall design and plan of the Center and the site of the Center.

Emily-May Richards
J.W. Robinson
John E. Aderhold
I. Owen Funderburg
Charles L. Davis
James S. Livingston
Jasper Dorsey
Gene Dyson

Chamblee
Atlanta
Atlanta
Atlanta
Stockbridge
Atlanta
Decatur

Portia S. Brookins
Delores Crockett
Anita L. Davis
Suzanne Donner
Marianne Dowling
Doris Flythe
Heather Lawson
Johnnie Moulton
June Sammons
Jean Thomas
Pat Weerts
Mildred Dadisman
Lynthia Miller
Dorris Holmes
Joyce Schafer

Atlanta
East Point
Atlanta
Chamblee
Atlanta
Springfield
Atlanta
Lakeland
Decatur
Atlanta
Decatur
Columbus
Augusta
Atlanta
Macon
Chapter V

SENATORS AND REPRESENTATIVES IN CONGRESS FROM GEORGIA

UNITED STATES 98th CONGRESS
JANUARY 3, 1983 - JANUARY 3, 1985


First Congressional District, Georgia
(20 Counties, 1980 Population 527,732)
Counties: Brantley, Bryan, Bulloch, Burke, Camden, Candler, Chatham, Effingham, Emanuel, Evans, Glynn, Jenkins, Liberty, Long, McIntosh, Montgomery, Screven, Tattnall, Toombs, Wayne.


Second Congressional District, Georgia
(30 Counties, 1980 Population 549,977)


Third Congressional District, Georgia
(21 Counties, 1980 Population 500,941)
Counties: Bleckley, Butts, Chattahoochee, Crawford, Dooly, Harris, Houston, Lamar, Macon, Marion, Meriwether, Muscogee, Peach, Pike, Pulaski, Schley, Sumter, Talbot, Taylor, Troup, Upson.


Fourth Congressional District, Georgia
(1980 Population 543,954)
Counties: DeKalb (portion of), Fulton (portion of), Newton, Rockdale.

Fifth Congressional District, Georgia
(1980 Population 550,070)
Counties: DeKalb (portion of), Fulton (portion of).


Sixth Congressional District, Georgia
(12 Counties, 1980 Population 548,959)
Counties: Carroll, Clayton, Coweta, Douglas, Fayette, Fulton (portion of), Haralson, Heard, Henry, Paulding, Polk, Spalding.


Seventh Congressional District, Georgia
(7 Counties, 1980 Population 605,720)
Counties: Bartow, Catoosa, Chattooga, Cobb, Dade, Floyd, Walker.


Eighth Congressional District, Georgia
(30 Counties, 1980 Population 508,028)


Ninth Congressional District, Georgia
(22 Counties, 1980 Population 551,827)


Tenth Congressional District, Georgia
(15 Counties, 1980 Population 547,218)
Counties: Barrow, Clarke, Columbia, Elbert, Gwinnett (portion of), Lincoln, Madison, McDuffie, Morgan, Oconee, Oglethorpe, Richmond, Walton, Warren, Wilkes.

### Chronological Listing of U.S. Congresses from 1st Through 98th

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**(Pursuant to the 20th Amendment of U.S. Constitution, regular sessions of Congress hereafter begin January 3rd of each year.)**

See Chapter X for Rosters of U.S. Senators and Representatives from Georgia.
HISTORY OF CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICTS

Act of Dec. 8, 1790 (Watkins Digest of Laws 1800, p. 422) divided the state into three Congressional Districts:

3. Wilkes, Franklin, Greene.

Act of Dec. 24, 1791 provides that the Counties shall vote for two persons out of the people at large to represent this state in the Congress of the United States.

Act of Dec. 18, 1794 provides that all electors for Representatives in the Legislature of Georgia shall convene in the usual places of holding elections in the several counties and ballot for two persons within the state in the House of Representatives in the United States.

Act of Feb. 22, 1796 provides that the electors in the several counties shall elect two Congressmen from the state at large. (Acts of 1791, 1794 and 1796, Watkins Digest of Laws, 1800, pp 454, 545, 611.)

Act of June 16, 1802 authorizes the electors in the several counties to vote for four members of Congress (Clayton's Compilation of Laws, 1800-10, p. 52).

Act of Dec. 10, 1811 provides for the election of such number of Representatives to Congress as the Governor should announce the state entitled to (Lamar's Compilation of Laws, 1810-19, p. 267). Proclamation of the Governor issued Aug. 28, 1812 gave the number of Congressmen to which the state was entitled as six (Executive Minutes 1811-12, p. 390).

Act of Dec. 21, 1821 provides for the election of such number of Representatives to Congress as the Governor should announce the state entitled to (Dawson's Compilation of Laws, 1831, p. 155). Proclamation of Governor issued June 6, 1822 gave number of Congressmen to which the state was entitled as seven (Proclamation 1782-1823, p. 362).

An Act of Dec. 22, 1825 (Dawson's Compilation of Laws, 1831, p. 161) repealed by Act of Dec. 20, 1826 (Dawson, p. 168) set up the following Congressional Districts:

1. Bulloch, Bryan, Chatham, Effingham, Emanuel, Laurens, Liberty, McIntosh, Montgomery, Screven, Tattnall.
3. Elbert, Franklin, Habersham, Hall, Jackson, Madison, Rabun.
5. Greene, Hancock, Oglethorpe, Putnam, Warren.
7. Appling, Baker, Bibb, Camden, Crawford, Decatur, Dooly, Early, Glynn, Houston, Irwin, Lowndes, Monroe, Pike, Pulaski, Telfair, Thomas, Twiggs, Upson, Ware, Wayne.

Act of Dec. 23, 1831, p. 124, provides for the election of such number of Representatives to Congress as the Governor should announce the state entitled to. Proclamation of Governor issued June 5, 1832 gave the number of Congressmen to which the state was entitled as nine (Executive minutes 1829-32, p. 437).

Message of Governor to General Assembly, Nov. 8, 1842: "—Congress, at its late session, enacted a law requiring the representatives of the people to be chosen by districts...

(Proclamation 1782-1823, p. 362).


1. Appling, Bulloch, Bryan, Camden, Chatham, Clinch\(^1\), Effingham, Emanuel, Glynn, Liberty, Lowndes, McIntosh, Montgomery, Screven\(^2\), Tattnall, Telfair, Thomas, Ware, Wayne (Laurens\(^3\)).
2. Baker, Decatur, Dooly, Early, Houston, Irwin, Lee, Macon, Marion, Muscogee, Pulaski, Randolph, Stewart, Sumter.
3. Bibb, Butts\(^4\), Crawford, Jasper\(^5\), Jones\(^6\), Monroe, Pike, Talbot, Twiggs, Upson, Wilkinson, (Harris\(^7\)).
4. Campbell, Carroll, Coweta, DeKalb\(^2\), Fayette, Harris\(^2\), Henry, Meriwether, Troup, (Newton\(^8\)).
5. Cass, Chattooga, Cherokee, Cobb, Dade, Floyd, Forsyth, Gilmer, Gwinnett, Lumpkin\(^2\), Murray, Paulding, Spalding\(^1\), Union, Walker, (DeKalb\(^8\)).
6. Clarke, Franklin, Habersham, Hall, Jackson, Madison, Newton\(^2\), Rabun, Walton (Elbert\(^1\), Union\(^1\), Lumpkin\(^1\)).
7. Baldwin, Greene, Hancock\(^2\), Laurens\(^2\), Morgan, Oglethorpe, Putnam, Taliaferro, Washington\(^2\), (Butts\(^1\), Jasper\(^1\), Jones\(^6\), Wilcox\(^2\)).
8. Burke, Columbia, Elbert\(^2\), Gordon\(^1\), Jefferson, Lincoln, Polk\(^1\), Richmond, Warren, Whitfield\(^1\), Wilkes (Hancock\(^3\), Screven\(^3\), Washington\(^3\)).

Ga. L. 1851-52, pp. 88-89:

1. Appling, Berrien\(^1\), Brooks\(^1\), Bryan, Bulloch, Camden, Charlton\(^1\), Chatham, Clinch, Coffee\(^1\), Colquitt\(^1\), Echols\(^1\), Effingham, Emanuel, Glynn, Irwin, Johnson\(^1\), Laurens, Liberty, Lowndes, McIntosh, Montgomery, Pierce\(^1\), Tattnall, Telfair, Thomas, Ware, Wayne.
2. Baker, Calhoun\(^1\), Chattahoochee\(^1\), Clay\(^1\), Decatur, Dooly, Dougherty\(^1\), Early, Kinchafounee (named changed to Webster in 1856)\(^1\), Lee, Macon, Marion, Miller\(^1\), Mitchell\(^1\), Muscogee, Pulaski, Quitman\(^1\), Randolph, Schley\(^1\), Stewart, Sumter, Terrell\(^1\), Worth\(^1\).
3. Bibb, Butts, Crawford, Harris, Houston, Monroe, Pike, Spalding, Talbot, Taylor\(^1\), Upson.
4. Campbell, Clayton\(^1\), Cobb, Coweta, DeKalb, Fayette, Fulton\(^1\), Heard, Henry, Meriwether, Troup.
5. Carroll, Cass, Catoosa\(^1\), Chattooga, Cherokee, Dade, Fannin\(^1\), Floyd, Gilmer, Gordon, Haralson\(^1\), Milton\(^1\), Murray, Paulding, Pickens\(^1\), Polk, Walker.
6. Banks\(^1\), Clarke, Dawson\(^1\), Forsyth, Franklin, Gwinnett, Habersham, Hall, Hart\(^1\), Jackson, Lumpkin, Madison, Rabun, Towns\(^1\), Union, Walton, White\(^1\).

Act of Mar. 23, 1861 (Confederate Records, V. 1, pp. 732-33):

1. Appling, Bryan, Bulloch, Camden, Charlton, Chatham, Clinch, Coffee, Effingham, Emanuel, Glynn, Liberty,
McIntosh, Montgomery, Pierce, Screven, Tattnall, Telfair, Ware, Wayne.


3. Chattahoochee, Harris, Macon, Marion, Muscogee, Quitman, Schley, Stewart, Sumter, Talbot, Taylor, Webster.


8. Campbell, Carroll, Cobb, Coweta, DeKalb, Fulton, Haralson, Heard, Paulding, Polk.


Ga. L. 1865 (Confederate Records IV, p. 40; V, p. 146):

1. Appling, Berrien, Brooks, Bryan, Bulloch, Camden, Charlton, Chatham, Clinch, Coffee, Colquitt, Echols, Effingham, Emanuel, Glynn, Irwin, Johnson, Laurens, Liberty, Lowndes, McIntosh, Montgomery, Pierce, Screven, Tattnall, Telfair, Thomas, Ware, Wayne.

2. Baker, Calhoun, Chattahoochee, Clay, Decatur, Dooly, Dougherty, Early, Houston, Lee, Macon, Marion, Miller, Mitchell, Pulaski, Quitman, Randolph, Stewart, Sumter, Terrell, Webster, Wilcox, Worth.


Ga. L. 1882-83, p. 121:

1. Appling, Bryan, Bulloch, Camden, Charlton, Chatham, Clinch, Echols, Effingham, Emanuel, Glynn, Liberty, McIntosh, Pierce, Screven, Tattnall, Ware, Wayne.


Ga. L. 1889-91, V. 1, p. 193:

1. Bryan, Bulloch, Burke, Chatham, Effingham, Emanuel, Jenkins¹, Liberty, McIntosh, Screven, Tattnall, Toombs¹.

2. Baker, Berrien, Calhoun, Clay, Colquitt, Decatur, Dougherty, Early, Grady¹, Miller, Mitchell, Quitman, Randolph, Terrell, Thomas, Tift¹, Turner¹, Worth.

3. Ben Hill¹, Crawford, Crisp¹, Dooly, Houston, Lee, Macon, Pulaski, Schley, Stewart, Sumter, Taylor, Twiggs, Webster, Wilcox.

4. Carroll, Chattahoochee, Coweta, Harris, Heard, Marion, Meriwether, Muscogee, Talbot, Troup.


Ga. L. 1872, p. 12:

1. Appling, Bryan, Bulloch, Burke, Camden, Charlton, Chatham, Clinch, Echols, Effingham, Emanuel, Glynn, Liberty, McIntosh, Pierce, Screven, Tattnall, Ware, Wayne.


4. Campbell, Carroll, Chattahoochee, Coweta, Douglas, Harris, Heard, Marion, Meriwether, Muscogee, Talbot, Troup.


¹Added upon date of creation of county.
Ga. L. 1911, p. 146:


11. Appling, Brooks, Camden, Charlton, Clinch, Coffee, Dodge, Echols, Glynn, Irwin, Jeff Davis, Johnson, Laurens, Lowndes, Montgomery, Pierce, Telfair, Ware, Wayne.

Ga. L. 1931, p. 146:

1. Bryan, Bulloch, Burke, Candler, Chatham, Effingham, Emanuel, Jenkins, Liberty, Long, McIntosh, Screven, Tattnall.


4. Carroll, Chattahoochee, Coweta, Harris, Heard, Marion, Meriwether, Muscogee, Talbot, Troup.


11. Appling, Atkinson, Bacon, Berrien, Brantley, Brooks, Camden, Charlton, Clinch, Coffee, Cook, Echols, Glynn, Irwin, Jeff Davis, Lanier, Lowndes, Pierce, Ware, Wayne.


Ga. L. 1931, p. 46-48:


3. Ben Hill, Chattahoochee, Clay, Crisp, Dodge, Dooly, Harris, Houston, Lee, Macon, Marion, Muscogee, Peach, Pulaski, Quitman, Randolph, Schley, Stewart, Sumter, Taylor, Terrell, Turner, Webster, Wilcox.


5. Campbell, DeKalb, Fulton, Rockdale.


8. Appling, Atkinson, Bacon, Berrien, Brantley, Camden, Charleston, Clinch, Coffee, Cook, Echols, Glynn, Irwin, Jeff Davis, Lanier, Lowndes, Pierce, Telfair, Ware, Wayne.


3. Chattahoochee, Crawford, Dooly, Harris, Houston, Lee, Macon, Marion, Muscogee, Peach, Pulaski, Schley, Stewart, Sumter, Talbot, Taylor, Twiggs, Webster, Wilkes.

4. DeKalb County, Rockdale County and that part of Fulton County, consisting of precincts 1-B, 1-D, 1-E, 1-G, 1-H, 4-C, 4-F, 4-H, 4-J, 5-E, 5-I, 6-A, 6-B, 6-C, 6-D, 6-E, 6-F, 6-H, 6-I, and 6-B. (Ga. L. 1964, pp. 478-81).

5. Fulton County with the exception of the territory embraced within the Fourth District (southeastern border).


8. Appling, Atkinson, Bacon, Ben Hill, Berrien, Bleckley, Brantley, Camden, Charleston, Clinch, Coffee, Cook, Dodge, Echols, Glynn, Irwin, Jeff Davis, Lanier, Lowndes, Pierce, Telfair, Ware, Wayne, Wilcox.


Ga. L. 1971, Ex. Sess., p. 89:

1. Bryan, Bulloch, Burke, Camden, Candler, Charleston, Chatham, Effingham, Emanuel, Evans, Glynn, Jenkins, Johnson, Liberty, Long, McIntosh, Montgomery, Screven, Tattnall, Toombs.

2. Baker, Berrien, Brooks, Calhoun, Clay, Colquitt, Cook, Crisp, Decatur, Dougherty, Early, Grady, Lanier, Lee, Lowndes, Miller, Mitchell, Quitman, Randolph, Semi-

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1 Added upon date of creation of county.

*Campbell and Milton Counties merged with Fulton Jan. 1, 1932.
nole, Stewart, Terrell, Thomas, Tift, Turner, Webster, Worth.
3. Chattahoochee, Crawford, Dooly, Harris, Houston, Macon, Marion, Meriwether, Monroe, Muscogee, Peach, Schley, Sumter, Talbot, Taylor, Troup, Upson.
5. Fulton, except parts in the 4th and 6th Districts.
6. Butts, Carroll, Clayton, Coweta, Douglas, Fayette, Haralson, Heard, Henry, Jasper, Lamar, Pike, Spalding, Fulton (part—Atlanta CCD 10, Tract 10; Atlanta CCD 10 and Campbellton CCD 15, Tract 77.02, 78.01, 78.02, 103; College Park CCD 20; East Point CCD 25, Fairburn—Union City CCD 30; Hapeville CCD 35; Palmetto CCD 40).

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3. Chattahoochee, Crawford, Dooly, Harris, Houston, Macon, Marion, Meriwether, Monroe, Muscogee, Peach, Schley, Sumter, Talbot, Taylor, Troup, Upson.
4. DeKalb, Rockdale, Fulton County Precincts in the Fourth Dist.—1B, 1C; 1D; 1F; 1G; 1U; 1V; 12N; 12P; 12R.
5. Fulton except parts in the 4th & 6th Districts.
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3. Bleckley, Butts, Chattahoochee, Crawford, Dooly, Harris, Houston, Lamar, Macon, Marion, Meriwether, Muscogee, Peach, Pike, Pulaski, Schley, Sumter, Talbot, Taylor, Troup, Upson.
4. DeKalb (part), Fulton (part), Newton, Rockdale.
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Ga. L. 1982 Ex. Session, HB 1, Act 1, pp. 2C-2K.
Provides for the redistricting of the 4th and 5th Congressional districts, effecting Fulton and DeKalb Counties.
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Chapter VI

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

SENATE
1983-84

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
1983-84

The General Assembly

The legislative power of the State is vested in the General Assembly, which consists of the Senate and the House of Representatives. The General Assembly convenes in regular session the second Monday in January annually, and it remains in session not more than forty days (Ga. Const., Art. III, Sec. V.) which need not be consecutive, so that it can adjourn to a fixed date and reconvene once. It may also be called into extra session by the Governor at any time; the Governor must call an extra session upon the certificates of three-fifths of all the members thereof (Ga. Const., Art. V, Sec. II). With two exceptions, all bills may originate in either the Senate or the House of Representatives, but all bills must be passed by both branches and signed by the Governor before becoming law. The exceptions are bills for raising revenue and bills for appropriating money, which can originate only in the House. In the event of the Governor's veto of any bill during a session, it can be repassed by a two-thirds vote of both branches and becomes law.

The Senate

The Senate consists of fifty-six Senators elected from as many Senatorial Districts. Presiding officer is the Lieutenant Governor who is designated as President of the Senate. The terms of office of the Senators are for two years and they are elected by the voters biennially in November of the even-numbered years. The minimum requirements for the office of Senator are age of twenty-five years, citizenship in the State for two years and residence in the Senatorial District for one year. (Last reapportionment: Ga. L. 1981 Ex. Session, p. 12, Ga. Const., Art. III, Sec. I).

The House of Representatives

The House of Representatives consists of one hundred eighty members from the one hundred fifty-four districts. The Presiding Officer is the Speaker, who is elected from the body. The minimum qualifications for the office of Member of the House of Representatives are age of twenty-one years, citizenship in the State for two years and for one year a resident of the district from which elected. (Last reapportionment: Ga. L. 1981 Ex. Session, p. 12, Ga. Const., Art. III, Sec. I).

Legislative Services Committee

(Joint Committee on Operations of The General Assembly)

The Legislative Services Committee has been in existence since 1959, although for the first two years it was designated as "The Joint Committee on the Operations of the General Assembly". Membership shall be composed of the Speaker, House of Representatives (Chairman of Committee); President of the Senate; Chairman, Appropriations Committee of the Senate; Chairman, Appropriations Committee of the House; Chairman, Judiciary Committee of the Senate; Chairman, Judiciary Committee of the House; Chairman, Banking, Finance and Insurance Committee of the Senate; Chairman, Ways and Means Committee of the House; Clerk of the House; Secretary of the Senate (serves as Committee Secretary). Duties included will be to study and adopt methods and procedures to operate more efficiently the General Assembly and each House thereof, and study and adopt methods and procedures to make more uniform the operations of the Senate and House. It shall have general supervision over the operation of the Legislative Branch of Government and to act for and to enter into contracts on behalf of agencies of the Legislative Branch, the General Assembly and each House thereof.

Pete Hackney, Legislative Budget Analyst
Paul Lynch, Acting Legislative Fiscal Officer

Legislative Counsel

(O.C.G.A. 28-4)

The Office of Legislative Counsel was created in 1959. It provided that the Legislative Council was to be an attorney skilled in legislative matters and bill drafting. He is appointed by the Legislative Services Committee with the approval of the Senate and the House of Representatives. The Legislative Counsel holds his office until a new Legislative Counsel is elected. The Office of Legislative Counsel furnishes various types of services to members of the General Assembly, including bill drafting, research, statutory and code revision, legislative counseling, legislative reference, standing and interim committee assistance, preparation of committee reports and legal opinions.

Frank H. Edwards, Legislative Counsel
THE STATE SENATE

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1983-84

OFFICERS

Zell B. Miller
Lieutenant Governor
(President of Senate)

Joseph E. Kennedy
President Pro Tempore

Nathan Dean
Asst. Administration Floor Leader

Hamilton McWhorter, Jr.
Secretary of the Senate

Paul Trulock
Asst. Administration Floor Leader

Thomas F. Allgood
Majority Leader

Paul D. Coverdell
Minority Leader

Render Hill
Majority Caucus Chairman

James W. Tysinger
Minority Caucus Chairman & Secretary

William English
Majority Whip

Haskell Brantley
Minority Whip

Roy Barnes
Administration Floor Leader

Marvin W. "Cap" Hicks
Sergeant-at-Arms

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Twelfth District — Dougherty


Thirteenth District — Ben Hill, Colquitt (Pt.), Crisp, Dooly, Irwin, Turner, Worth


Fourteenth District — Lee, Macon, Peach, Schley, Sumter, Taylor, Terrell


Fifteenth District — Chattahoochee (Pt.), Muscogee (Pt.)


Sixteenth District — Marion, Muscogee (Pt.), Talbot


Seventeenth District — Butts, Clayton (Pt.), Henry


Eighteenth District — Bibb (Pt.), Houston, Twiggs

Nineteenth District — Bleckley, Coffee, Dodge, Jeff Davis, Pulaski, Telfair, Wilcox


Twenty-Fourth District — Columbia (Pt.), Greene, Lincoln, McDuffie, Oglethorpe, Taliaferro, Warren, Wilkes


Twentieth District — Appling (Pt.), Johnson, Laurens, Montgomery, Toombs, Treutlen, Washington (Pt.), Wheeler


Twenty-Fifth District — Baldwin, Hancock, Jasper, Jones, Morgan, Putnam, Wilkinson


Twenty-First District — Burke, Emanuel, Glascock, Jefferson, Jenkins, Screven, Washington (Pt.)


Twenty-Sixth District — Bibb (Pt.)


Twenty-Second District — Richmond (Pt.)


Twenty-Seventh District — Bibb (Pt.), Crawford, Lamar, Monroe, Upson


Twenty-Third District — Columbia (Pt.), Richmond (Pt.)


Twenty-Eighth District — Coweta, Pike, Spalding

Twenty-Ninth District — Carroll (Pt.), Harris, Heard, Meriwether, Troup


Thirty-Fourth District — Douglas (Pt.), Fayette, Fulton (Pt.)


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Thirty-Fifth District — Fulton (Pt.)


Thirty-First District — Bartow (Pt.), Haralson, Paulding, Polk


Thirty-Sixth District — Fulton (Pt.)


Thirty-Second District — Cobb (Pt.)


Thirty-Seventh District — Cherokee (Pt.), Cobb (Pt.)


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Forty-Fourth District — Clayton (Pt.)


Forty-Fifth District — Newton, Rockdale, Walton


Forty-Sixth District — Barrow, Gwinnett (Pt.)

Fifty-Ninth District — Forsyth (Pt.), Hall


Fiftieth District — Dawson, Habersham, Lumpkin, Rabun, Stephens, Towns, Union, White


Fifty-First District — Cherokee (Pt.), Fannin, Gilmer, Gordon, Pickens, Whitfield (Pt.)


Fifty-Second District — Bartow (Pt.), Floyd


Fifty-Third District — Catoosa (Pt.), Chattooga, Dade, Walker


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Fifty-Sixth District — Cobb (Pt.), Forsyth (Pt.), Fulton (Pt.)


SENATE STANDING COMMITTEES

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Agriculture

McGill of 24th, Chairman
English of 21st, Vice Chairman
Trulock of 10th, Secretary
Kennedy of 4th

Timmons of 11th
Turner of 8th
Walker of 19th

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Starr of 44th, Chairman
Holloway of 12th, Vice Chairman
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Barnes of 33rd
Bowen of 13th
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- Allgood of 22nd
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### Human Resources
- Howard of 42nd, **Chairman**
- Brantley of 56th, **Vice Chairman**
- Hine of 52nd, **Secretary**
- Bond of 39th
- Brown of 47th
- Fincher of 54th
- Greene of 26th
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### Aging Subcommittee
- Greene of 26th, **Chairman**
- Bond of 39th
- Fincher of 54th

### Mental Health & Mental Retardation Subcommittee
- Lester of 23rd, **Chairman**
- Brown of 47th
- Kidd of 25th

### Social Services & Vocational Rehabilitation Subcommittee
- Hine of 52nd, **Chairman**
- Brantley of 56th
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### Industry and Labor
- Walker of 19th, **Chairman**
- Tysinger of 41st, **Vice Chairman**
- Harrison of 37th, **Secretary**
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### Insurance
- Stumbaugh of 55th, **Chairman**
- Land of 16th, **Vice Chairman**
- Reddish of 6th, **Secretary**
- Allgood of 22nd
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### Interstate Cooperation
- Hill of 29th, **Chairman**
- Foster of 50th, **Vice Chairman**
- Fincher of 54th, **Secretary**
- English of 21st
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### Judiciary
- Deal of 49th, **Chairman**
- Allgood of 22nd, **Vice Chairman**
- Coggin of 35th, **Secretary**
- Burton of 5th
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### Judiciary and Constitutional Law
- Greene of 26th, **Chairman**
- Barnes of 33rd, **Vice Chairman**
- Dawkins of 45th, **Secretary**
- Land of 16th
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### Natural Resources and Environmental Quality
- Gillis of 20th, **Chairman**
- Bowen of 13th, **Vice Chairman**
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### Game and Fish Subcommittee
- Perry of 7th, **Chairman**
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### Parks & Historic Sites Subcommittee
- Walker of 19th, **Chairman**
- English of 21st
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### Resources & Environmental Control Subcommittee
- Bowen of 13th, **Chairman**
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### Offender Rehabilitation
- Garner of 30th, **Chairman**
- Scott (Al) of 2nd, **Vice Chairman**
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### Penal & Correctional Institutions Subcommittee
- Kennedy of 4th, **Chairman**
- Foster of 50th
- Kidd of 25th

### Probation, Pardons & Paroles Subcommittee
- Scott (Al) of 2nd, **Chairman**
- Engram of 34th

### Public Safety
- Timmons of 11th, **Chairman**
- Cobb of 28th, **Vice Chairman**
- Bowen of 13th, **Secretary**
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### Public Utilities
- Brown of 47th, **Chairman**
- Hill of 29th, **Vice Chairman**
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- Barnes of 33rd
- Tysinger of 41st

### Retirement
- Turner of 8th, **Chairman**
- Tate of 38th, **Vice Chairman**
- Huggins of 53rd, **Secretary**
- Brown of 47th
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### Rules
- Dean of 31st, **Chairman**
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Doorkeeper

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Chapter VII

UNITED STATES JUDICIARY OFFICERS

United States Court of Appeals
Eleventh Circuit
U.S. Court of Appeals Building
56 Forsyth Street, NW
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Circuit composed of Alabama, Florida, and Georgia.

James Clinkscales Hill, Atlanta. Judge, May 21, 1976-date.
Phyllis Kravitch, Savannah. Judge, April 10, 1979-date.

United States District Courts in Georgia

Northern District
U.S. Courthouse
75 Spring Street, SW
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Richard C. Freeman, Atlanta. Judge, April 29, 1971-date.
Harold L. Murphy, Tallapoosa. Judge, August 11, 1977-date.
Robert L. Vining, Jr., Dalton. Judge, August 17, 1979-date.
G. Ernest Tidwell, Atlanta. Judge, August 17, 1979-date.
Orinda D. Evans, Atlanta. Judge, August 17, 1979-date.
Robert H. Hall, Atlanta. Judge, November 27, 1979-date.

Staff
Allen L. Chancey, Jr. ....... Chief, U.S. Magistrate
Joel M. Feldman .............. U.S. Magistrate
John E. Dougherty ............ U.S. Magistrate

Middle District
Federal Building & U.S. Courthouse
Macon, Georgia 31201

J. Robert Elliott, Columbus. Judge, February 17, 1962-date.

Staff
Gregory J. Leonard ................. Clerk
Dan Lanford ................... Chief Probation Officer
Robert F. Hershner, Jr. ........ Bankruptcy Judge
Algie M. Moseley, Jr. .......... Bankruptcy Judge

Divisional offices with Resident Deputy in Charge: Albany, Columbus, and Valdosta. (Albany-Americus and Athens serviced from Macon. Thomasville serviced from Valdosta.)

Southern District
Post Office Building
Savannah, Georgia 31401

B. Avant Edenfield, Savannah. Judge, November 9, 1978-date.
Dudley Hollingsworth Bowen, Jr., Augusta. Judge, December 5, 1979-date.

Staff
Hinton R. Pierce, Jr. ............. U.S. Attorney
Henry R. Crumley, Jr. .......... Clerk, U.S. District Court
Jerry P. Morgan ............. Chief, U.S. Probation Officer
Herman W. Coolidge ............ Judge, Bankruptcy Court

Staff (continued)
William L. Harper .............. U.S. Magistrate
Clinton J. Morgan ............ Part-time U.S. Magistrate
John H. Smith .............. Part-time U.S. Magistrate
Ben H. Carter, Clerk .......... U.S. District Court
Daniel D. Rector ............ U.S. Probation Officer

Court-Related Government Agencies

Larry D. Thompson, U.S. Attorney
Lynn H. Duncan, U.S. Marshall

Note: For U.S. Bankruptcy Judges, contact Johnny L. Pressley, U.S. Bankruptcy Court, 75 Spring Street SW, Atlanta, Georgia 30303. This is a separate court.
Chapter VIII

JUDICIARY SYSTEM OF GEORGIA

Supreme Court of Georgia
Court of Appeals of Georgia
Superior Courts of Georgia
City, Municipal, Civil, Magistrate
and State Courts

JUDICIARY

Section I

Paragraph I. Judicial Power of the state. The judicial power of the state shall be vested exclusively in the following classes of courts: magistrate courts, probate courts, juvenile courts, state courts, superior courts, Court of Appeals and Supreme Court. Magistrate courts, probate courts, juvenile courts and state courts shall be courts of limited jurisdiction. In addition, the General Assembly may establish or authorize the establishment of municipal courts and may authorize administrative agencies to exercise quasi-judicial powers. Municipal courts shall have jurisdiction over ordinance violations and such other jurisdiction as provided by law. Except as provided in this paragraph, and in Section X, municipal courts, county recorder's courts and civil courts in existence on June 30, 1983, and administrative agencies shall not be subject to the provisions of this article.

Paragraph II. Unified judicial system. All courts of the state shall comprise a unified judicial system.

Cite: Const. Ga. Art. VI, Sec. I. Pars. I and II.

THE SUPREME COURT

The Supreme Court was created by an amendment to the 1798 Constitution, which became effective under the Act of Dec. 22, 1835; but no enabling legislation was passed until the Act of Dec. 10, 1845 (Ga. L. 1845, p. 18). It was organized in 1846 some seventy years after Georgia had become a state and then consisted of three justices who rode the circuits. The present organization of the Supreme Court is defined in the Constitution of 1983 (Art. VI, Sec. VI).

The Supreme Court exercises exclusive appellate jurisdiction in the following cases: all cases involving the construction of a treaty or of the Georgia or U.S. Constitutions and all cases in which the constitutionality of a law, ordinance or constitutional provision has been drawn in question; all cases of election contest; cases involving title to land; all equity cases; all cases involving wills; all cases in which a sentence of death was imposed or could be imposed; all habeas corpus cases; all cases involving extraordinary remedies; all divorce and alimony cases. It also has jurisdiction over cases certified to it by any state or federal appellate court, and may review by certiorari cases in the Court of Appeals of Georgia which are of gravity or great public importance.

The Supreme Court supervises the Office of Bar Admissions, appoints the members of the two Boards responsible for the admission of persons to the practice of law (the Board to Determine Fitness of Bar Applicants, with seven members, and the State Board of Bar Examiners, with five members) and makes the rules governing the bar examination. It also has responsibility for supervision of the State Bar of Georgia.

There are seven justices on the bench of the Supreme Court, and from time to time, they elect their Chief Justice and Presiding Justice. The qualifications for the office are admission to practice law for seven years and any additional requirements provided by law. The terms of office are for six years each, staggered so that two vacancies occur in one general election year, two in the next, and three in the following. The justices are elected on a non-partisan basis. The Governor fills any vacancy by appointment until the next general election when a successor to complete the unexpired term is elected.

The Supreme Court makes and publishes its rules covering every phase of practice in and before the court. It has authority to appoint its clerks, sheriff, reporter, law assistants and other necessary personnel.

See Const. Ga., Art. VI, Sec. VI and VII.


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William Scott Henwood, Assistant Reporter, Supreme Court & Court of Appeals, Ga., June 1, 1980-July 1, 1984; Reporter, ibid., July 1, 1984-date.

COURT OF APPEALS

The Court of Appeals was established by an amendment to the Constitution of 1877, ratified on November 6, 1906. The first term of the court was held on the first Monday in January 1907, and the court originally consisted of only three judges. The court now consists of nine judges and its present organization is defined in the 1983 Constitution (Art. VI, Sec. V) and in the O.C.G.A. 15-3-1 through 15-3-12.

The Court of Appeals is a court of review and exercises appellate and certiorari jurisdiction in all cases not reserved to the Supreme Court or conferred on other courts by law. The decisions of the Court of Appeals insofar as not in conflict with those of the Supreme Court shall bind all courts except the Supreme Court as precedents (Ga. Const. Art VI, Sec. V, Par. III).

The court sits in three divisions of three judges each, with the members assigned by the Chief Judge. The Presiding Judge of each division is appointed by the Chief Judge, who is elected by the court in such manner and for such time as may be prescribed by rule or order of the court (O.C.G.A. 15-3-1). The Court of Appeals is not an intermediate appellate court. Its decisions are not reviewed by the Supreme Court as a matter of right but only on the grant of a writ of certiorari.

An Act of March 8, 1945 (Ga. L. 1945, p. 232) provided that the three divisions of the court, sitting as one court, shall pass on and determine each case in which there is a dissent in the division to which the case was originally assigned. When the majority of the judges of the division to which a case is assigned, are of the opinion that certain question(s) should be passed upon by all members of the court, the question(s) may be presented to all the members of the court, sitting as one court. In the event of an equal division of the judges when sitting as a body, the case shall be immediately transmitted to the Supreme Court (Ga. Const., Act VI, Sec. V, Par. V).

To qualify to serve as a Judge of the Court of Appeals, a person shall have been admitted to practice law for seven years and shall reside in the geographical area in which they are selected to serve. The General Assembly may provide by law for additional qualifications (Ga. Const. 1983, Art. 6, Sec. 7, Par. 2). All judges of the Court of Appeals are elected on a nonpartisan basis for a term of six years and are elected at the same general elections at which members of the General Assembly are elected. The Governor fills any vacancy by appointment until the next general election at which time a successor to complete the unexpired term is elected.


Arnold Shulman, Atlanta. Judge, Court of Appeals, Ga., 1977-April 1, 1984, resigned.

Alton Hawk, Clerk, Court of Appeals, Georgia

Gail Arceneaux, Special Deputy Clerk

Nadine Walker, Special Deputy Clerk


Williams Scott Henwood, Assistant Reporter, June 1, 1980-July 1, 1984; Reporter, July 1, 1984-date.
SUPERIOR COURTS

For seventy years prior to the organization of the Supreme Court, the Superior Courts of the various counties were the highest courts of record in the state. At present there are one hundred fifty-nine Superior Courts, grouped into forty-five circuits. The Superior Courts have jurisdiction in all cases, except as otherwise provided in the Constitution. They have exclusive jurisdiction over trials in felony cases, except in the case of juvenile offenders as provided by law; in cases respecting title to land; in divorce cases; and in equity cases. The Superior Courts have such appellate jurisdiction, either alone or by circuit or district, as provided by law (Constitution of 1983, Article 6, Section 4, Paragraph 1).

The Superior Court judges and district attorneys are elected by the voters of the state at the same general elections at which members of the General Assembly are elected. The term of office of each is four years (except in the Atlanta Judicial Circuit which has eight year terms, Ga. Laws 1956, p. 636), beginning on the first day of January following the election. Vacancies in unexpired terms are filled by appointments of the Governor until successors are elected at the next general election. The minimum qualifications for Superior Court judges are age of thirty years, three years residence in the state, and seven years of legal practice. District attorneys must be residents of the state three years just preceding election or appointment; permanently reside in the circuit at the time of election or appointment; be twenty-five years of age and have been licensed to practice law in the Superior Courts for at least three years.


Superior Court Judges and District Attorneys
By Judicial Circuits

Alapaha Circuit — Atkinson, Berrien, Clinch, Cook, Lanier


Janus Emory Fuidley, Judge, ibid.


Frank M. Eldridge, Atlanta. Judge, Atlanta Circuit, April 5, 1979-date.


Jeptha C. Tanksley, Atlanta. Senior Judge, Atlanta Circuit, 1968-date.


Ernest Edward Andrews, Atlanta, Senior Judge, Atlanta Circuit, 1961-date.

Jack Paul Etheridge, Atlanta. Senior Judge, 1977-date.

Lloyd Elmo Holt, Atlanta. Senior Judge, Atlanta Circuit, 1978-date.

Claude Donald Shaw, Atlanta. Senior Judge, 1979-date.

Charles Augustus Wofford, Atlanta. Senior Judge, Atlanta Judicial Circuit, 1981-date.


Sam P. Burtz, Canton. Senior Judge, Blue Ridge Circuit, 1977-date.


Brunswick Circuit — Appling, Camden. Glyn, Jeff Davis, Wayne


John Respess Thompson, Columbus. Senior Judge, Chattahoochee Circuit, 1964-date.


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Cherokee Circuit — Bartow and Gordon


Clayton Circuit — Clayton


Cobb Circuit — Cobb


Conasauga Circuit — Murray and Whitfield


Cordelle Circuit — Ben Hill, Crisp, Dooley, Wilcox


Coweta Circuit — Carroll, Coweta, Heard, Meriwether, Troup


Henry Lamar Knight, Carrollton. Senior Judge, Coweta Judicial Circuit, 1981-date.


Dougherty Circuit — Dougherty


Douglas Circuit — Douglas


Dunbar Harrison, Savannah. Senior Judge, Eastern Circuit, 1977-date.


Flint Circuit — Butts, Henry, Lamar, Monroe


Griffin Circuit — Fayette, Pike Spalding, Upson


Gwinnett Circuit — Gwinnett


**Houston**


**Lookout Mountain Circuit — Catooa, Chattooga, Dade, Walker**


**Macon Circuit — Bibb, Crawford, Peach**


**Middle Circuit — Candler, Emanuel, Jefferson, Troup, Washington**


H. Reginald Thompson, Swainsboro. *District Attorney Emeritus*, July 1, 1982-date.
Mountain Circuit — Habersham, Rabun, Stephens, Towns, Union


Northeastern Circuit — Dawson, Hall, Lumpkin, White


Northern Circuit — Elbert, Franklin, Hart, Madison, Oglethorpe


John W. Williford, Elberton. Senior Judge, Georgia Superior Courts, 1977-date.

Lindsay A. Tise, Jr., Hartwell. District Attorney, Northern Circuit, Sept. 1982-date.

Ocmulgee Circuit — Baldwin, Greene, Hancock, Jasper, Jones, Morgan, Putnam, Wilkinson


Oconee Circuit — Bleckley, Dodge, Montgomery, Pulaski, Telfair, Wheeler


Ogeechee Circuit — Bulloch, Effingham, Jenkins, Screven


Piedmont Circuit — Banks, Barrow, Jackson


Rockdale Circuit — Rockdale


Rome Circuit — Floyd


Robert Lee Scooggins, Rome. Senior Judge, Rome Circuit, 1974-date.


South Georgia Circuit — Baker, Calhoun, Decatur, Grady, Mitchell


Maston Emmett O’Neal, Jr., Bainbridge. District Attorney Emeritus, South Georgia Circuit, 1971-date.

Southern Circuit — Brooks, Colquitt, Echols, Lowndes, Thomas


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Southwestern Circuit — Lee, Macon, Schley, Stewart, Sumter, Webster


Stone Mountain Circuit — DeKalb


William T. Dean, Conyers. Senior Judge, Stone Mountain Circuit, Jan., 1, 1983-date.


Tallapoosa Circuit — Haralson, Paulding, Polk


Tifton Circuit — Irwin, Tift, Turner, Worth


Toombs Circuit — Glasscock, Lincoln, McDuffie, Taliferro, Warren, Wilkes


Waycross Circuit — Bacon, Brantley, Charlton, Coffee, Pierce, Ware


Western Circuit — Clarke and Oconee


CITY, MUNICIPAL, CIVIL, MAGISTRATE AND STATE COURTS
(All Addresses at County Seats)

A number of city, municipal, civil, magistrate, and state courts exist in the state. The judges and solicitors of the majority of these courts are elected in their own counties for four-year terms. Ga. L. 1983, p. 884 changed the name of the small claims court to magistrate court. The names of magistrates do not appear below, but may be obtained from the judge of the probate court in the county in which they preside.

State Court of Appling County

Thomas P. Miles, Baxley. Judge, Jan. 1, 1959-date.

Alex Johnson, Baxley. Solicitor, Jan. 1, 1983-date.

County Court of Baldwin


State Court of Bibb County


Civil Court of Bibb County


State Court of Bryan County


State Court of Bulloch County


State Court of Burke County

State Court of Candler County

State Court of Carroll County

State Court of Chatham County

Municipal Court of Savannah

The Recorder's Court of Chatham County

State Court of Chattooga County

State Court of Cherokee & Forsyth Counties

State Court of Clarke County

State Court of Clayton County

State Court of Clinch County

State Court of Cobb County

State Court of Coffee County

State Court of Colquitt County

State Court of Columbus, Ga.
William S. Cain, Jr., Columbus. Judge, Nov. 2, 1982-date.

State Court of Coweta County

State Court of Decatur County

State Court of DeKalb County

State Court of Dougherty County

State Court of Early County
County Court of Echols
Wayne Davis, Statenville. Judge, Jan. 1, 1979-date. (Judge of the Probate Court shall serve as.)

State Court of Effingham County

State Court of Elbert County
Thomas L. Hodges, III, Solicitor, Jan. 1, 1981-date.

State Court of Emanuel County

State Court of Evans County

State Court of Forsyth & Cherokee Counties
(See State Court of Cherokee & Forsyth Counties)
Clyde J. Gober, Jr., Cumming. Judge.

State Court of Fulton County
Thomas E. Moran, Atlanta. Judge, Sept. 17, 1974-date.

State Court of Glynn County

State Court of Grady County
J. Patrick Ward, Cairo. Judge, April 1, 1979-date.

State Court of Gwinnett County

State Court of Habersham County

State Court of Hall County
Charles W. Smith, Sr., Gainesville. Judge, April 8, 1971-date.

State Court of Houston County

State Court of Jackson County

State Court of Jefferson County

State Court of Jenkins County
R. Hubert Reeves, III, Millen. Solicitor, Jan. 1, 1979-date.

State Court of Liberty County

State Court of Lowndes County
Gary A. Bacon, Ludowici. Solicitor, June 19, 1984-date.

State Court of Lowndes County

State Court of Macon County

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State Court of Miller County
Ronnie J. Lane, Colquitt. Solicitor, Jan. 1, 1981-date.

State Court of Mitchell County
Frank S. Twitty, Jr., Camilla. Judge, Jan. 9, 1975-date.
State Court of Pierce County
Francis Houston, Blackshear. Judge, Jan. 1, 1967-date.

County Court of Putnam

State Court of Richmond County

Civil Court of Richmond County
J. Bacheller Flythe, Augusta. Chief Judge, Sept. 1, 1976-date.
Oliver K. Mixon, Augusta. Associate Judge, March 5, 1965-date.

State Court of Screven County
René J. Martin, III, Sylvania. Solicitor, June 5, 1984-date.

State Court of Spalding County
Thomas E. Lewis, Griffin. Judge, May 18, 1979-date.

State Court of Stephens County
Alton M. Adams, Toccoa. Judge, June 11, 1979-date.

State Court of Sumter County

State Court of Tattnall County

State Court of Thomas County

State Court of Tift County

State Court of Toombs County

State Court of Treutlen County

State Court of Troup County
A. Vernon Belcher, LaGrange. Judge, June 10, 1974-date.

State Court of Walker County
Charles Clements, Jr., LaFayette. Judge, Jan. 1, 1975-date.

State Court of Ware County

State Court of Washington County
Thomas A. Hutcheson, Sandersville. Judge, Aug. 8, 1974-date.

State Court of Wayne County

State Court of Worth County
Clarence A. Miller, Sylvester. Judge, Nov. 2, 1982-date.
Joseph L. Houston, Sylvester. Solicitor, Jan. 1, 1933-date.
Appling County
Created by Ga. L. 1818
Named for Daniel Appling, 1787-1818.
County Seat .................................. Baxley 31513
Area .......................................... 514 square miles
Congressional District ...................... 8
Senatorial District .......................... 6, 20
Representative District .................... 153
Judicial Circuit ............................. Brunswick

Officers
Judge of Probate............... Diane Hallman Carpenter
Clerk .......................... Floyd Hunter
Sheriff .......................... Lewis Parker
Tax Commissioner ............ Lewis W. Kennedy
Surveyor .......................... Merlin J. Tomberlin
Coroner ....................... Dale Spell
Commissioners ............... J.W. Orwin, Chairman
Kenneth Craven
Joel D. Fowler
Johnnie Thornton
Benjamin Weaver
Tony Douglas, Clerk
School Superintendent .......... Herbert V. Carter
Attorney .......................... Robert S. Smith

Atkinson County
Created by Ga. L. 1918
Named for William Yates Atkinson, 1854-1899,
Governor of Georgia.
County Seat .................................. Pearson 31642
Area .......................................... 318 Square Miles
Congressional District ...................... 8
Senatorial District ........................ 7
Representative Districts .............. 139, 150
Judicial Circuit .......................... Alapaha
Population 1980 US Census ............. 6,141

Officers
Judge of Probate............... Leila M. Sutton
Clerk .......................... W.M. Smith
Sheriff .......................... Earl E. Haskins
Tax Commissioner ............ Johnnie C. Herrin
Surveyor .......................... Tavell Courson
Coroner ....................... J.C. Relihan
Commissioners ............... Eston Metts, Chairman
William Earl Giddens
H.F. Sears
Tammy Crosby, Clerk
School Superintendent ........... Edwin F. Davis
Attorney .......................... Berrien Sutton

Baker County
Created by Ga. L. 1825
Named for John Baker, died in 1792,
Revolutionary War hero; M.C.
County Seat .................................. Newton 31770
Area .......................................... 355 square miles
Congressional District ...................... 2
Senatorial District ........................ 11
Representative Districts .......... 140, 150
Judicial Circuit .......................... South Georgia
Population 1980 US Census ............. 3,808

Officers
Judge of Probate............... Grace Rogers
Clerk .......................... Leslie Bush
Sheriff .......................... Hopson Irvin
Tax Receiver .......................... Agnes Parker
Tax Collector ..................... Mary Ann Milner Gray
Treasurer .......................... Janie Mulliford
Surveyor .......................... James M. Hansley
Coroner .......................... Virginia Collins
Commissioners ............... Lee R. Heard, Chairman
Wyatt Brooks
J.W. Gaines
R.C. Hawkins
Robert Hawkins
Leslie Bush, Clerk
School Superintendent ........... Grady Etheredge
Attorney .......................... Don Strickland

Baldwin County
Created by Ga. L. 1803
Named for Abraham Baldwin, 1754-1807,
Georgia Signer of U.S. Constitution.
County Seat .................................. Milledgeville 31061
Area .......................................... 255 square miles
Congressional District ...................... 8
Senatorial District ........................ 25
Representative Districts .......... 105, 107
Judicial Circuit .......................... Ocmulgee
Population 1980 US Census ............. 34,686

Officers
Judge of Probate............... Calvin Simpson
Clerk .......................... Mary G. Wyatt
Sheriff .......................... Louie Arrington
Tax Commissioner ............ Harrell Freeman
Surveyor .......................... Wayne Ogletree
Coroner .......................... Mark Godard
Commissioners ............... Sammy O. Hall, Chairman
Randy Dunn
Wendall A. Hardie
Buddy Johnson
Grady Torrance
Joan G. Davis, Clerk
School Superintendent ........... Dr. William D. Gardner
Attorney .......................... David W. Waddell

Banks County
Created by Ga. L. 1858
Named for Richard Banks, MD, 1784-1850.
Bartow County

Created by Ga. L. 1832 as Cass County; name changed to Bartow by Ga. L. 1861

Named for Francis Stebbins Bartow, 1816-1861, M.C., Sen.

County Seat .................................. Cartersville 30120
Area ........................................... 461 square miles
Congressional District ......................... 7
Senatorial Districts .............................. 7
Representative Districts ......................... 15, 19
Judicial Circuit ................................ Cherokee
Population 1980 US Census ..................... 40,760

Officers
Judge of Probate ...................... Norma J. Tidwell
Clerk ........................................... Grady Jefferson
Sheriff ....................................... Donald E. Thurman
Tax Commissioner ..................... Jack Nally
Surveyor ..................................... L. Howard Elrod
Coroner ...................................... Frank Moore
Commissioners .................. Harold E. Watkins, Chairman
                            Jimmy Morrison
                            Donald L. Wilson
School Superintendent ............ Bobby Lewallen
Attorney ................................. David C. Jones, Jr.

Ben Hill County

Created by Ga. L. 1906

Named for Benjamin Harvey Hill, 1823-82, U.S. Senator, Ga., 1877-1882.

County Seat .................................. Fitzgerald 31750
Area ........................................... 255 square miles
Congressional District ......................... 9
Senatorial District ......................... 137
Representative Districts ...................... 10, 11, 12
Judicial Circuit ................................ Piedmont
Population 1980 US Census ................... 8,702

Officers
Judge of Probate ...................... Elizabeth Ash
Clerk .......................................... Audrey D. Jordan
Sheriff ....................................... John Hughes
Tax Commissioner ..................... Mrs. J. Frank Evans
Surveyor ...................................... Tommy W. Ash
Coroner ...................................... Mike Revels
Commissioners ................ Lawrence Adkinson, Chairman
                          Norman Dorminy
                          Ed Dexter
School Superintendent .......... Robin Calhoun
Attorney ................................. Louis E. Harper

Berrien County

Created by Ga. L. 1856


County Seat .................................. Nashville 31639
Area ........................................... 468 square miles
Congressional District ......................... 2
Senatorial Districts ......................... 146, 147
Representative Districts ...................... 109, 116
Judicial Circuit ................................ Alapaha
Population 1980 US Census .................... 13,525

Officers
Judge of Probate ...................... John P. Webb, Sr.
Clerk ........................................... Bonnie Moore
Sheriff ........................................... Archie H. Hendley
Tax Commissioner ..................... Lorene T. Dorminey
Coroner ....................................... Robert S. Lovein
Commissioners .................. Ernest Sumner, Chairman
                          J.M. Brogdon
                          Larry Crumley
School Superintendent .......... Gail Reynolds
Attorney ................................. Mills & Chasteen

Bibb County

Created by Ga. L. 1822

Named for William Wyatt Bibb, MD, 1780-1820.

County Seat .................................. Macon 31202
Area ........................................... 254 square miles
Congressional District ......................... 8
Senatorial Districts ......................... 18, 26, 27
Representative Districts ...................... 99-103
Judicial Circuit ................................ Macon
Population 1980 US Census ................... 151,085

Officers
Judge of Probate ...................... Tilman E. Self
Clerk ........................................... Adam Greene
Sheriff ....................................... Ray Wilkes
Tax Commissioner .................... Ray Jackson

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Burke County

Created by Constitution of Feb. 5, 1777
Named for Edmund Burke of England, 1730-1797.
County Seat ........................................ Waynesboro 30830
Area .................................................. 831 square miles
Congressional District ............................. 1
Senatorial District ................................... 21
Representative Districts ............................. 108, 110
Judicial Circuit ..................................... Augusta
Population 1980 US Census ....................... 19,349

Officers

Judge of Probate .......................... Mary O. Herrington
Clerk ........................................... Torbit Banks, Jr.
Sheriff .......................................... Greg Coursey
Tax Commissioner .................... Manton F. Horton
Coroner ........................................ Craig W. Kennedy
Commissioners ............................... Ray DeLaigle, Chairman
Woodrow Harvey
Herman Lodge
T.M. Lovett
Spencer L. Ready
C.W. Hopper, Jr., Clerk

School Superintendent ..................... James D. Smith
Attorney ......................................... Preston B. Lewis, Jr.

Butts County

Created by Ga. L. 1825
Named for Samuel Butts, died in the Battle of Chalibee, Jan. 27, 1814.
County Seat ....................................... Jackson 30233
Area ................................................ 185 square miles
Congressional District .......................... 3
Senatorial District ............................... 17
Representative District ......................... 78
Judicial Circuit .................................... Flint

Officers

Judge of Probate ............................ Gene Blue
Clerk .............................................. David P. Ridgeway, Sr.
Sheriff ............................................. Billy Leverette
Tax Commissioner .......................... Hilda K. James
Treasurer ........................................... Billy Sutton
Surveyor .......................................... Thomas A. Carmichael, Jr.
Coroner ............................................. Craig W. Kennedy
Commissioners ................................. D.W. Bailey, Chairman
D. Richard Ballard
Nevin Duffy
George Martin
Ruby Kate Moore, Clerk

School Superintendent ....................... Loy Hutcheson
Attorney .......................................... Joseph L. Smith

Calhoun County

Created by Ga. L. 1854
Named for John Caldwell Calhoun of S.C., 1782-1850.
County Seat ...................................... Morgan 31766
Area ................................................ 289 square miles
Congressional District .......................... 2
Senatorial District ................................ 11
Representative District ......................... 131
Judicial Circuit ................................... South Georgia
Population 1980 US Census .................... 5,717

Officers

Judge of Probate ............................. Charles B. Porter
Clerk .............................................. James C. Shippey
Sheriff ............................................. Charles E. Cheney
Tax Commissioner ....................... Melba B. Becton
Coroner ............................................ Mrs. H.P. Miller
Commissioners ................................. B. Arel Eubanks, Chairman
Charles M. Cowart
Gerald C. Dean
John P. Hobbs
Phyllis P. Beard, Clerk

School Superintendent ....................... Bobby E. Paul
Attorney .......................................... Harold Hobbs

Camden County

Created by Constitution of Feb. 5, 1777
County Seat ....................................... Woodbine 31569
Area ................................................ 653 square miles
Congressional District .......................... 1
Senatorial District ................................ 6
Representative Districts ....................... 151, 152
Judicial Circuit ................................... Brunswick

 Officers

Judge of Probate ............................. David M. Proctor
Clerk .............................................. Carolyn A. Warren
Sheriff ............................................. J.H. Middleton
Tax Commissioner ....................... Brenda S. Wainwright
Surveyor .......................................... Leonard E. Henry
Coroner ............................................. L.W. Bruce
Commissioners ................................. Kenneth Gay, Chairman
Harry Callahan
Lamar Drury
W.E. Smith
Jack Sutton
John S. Peterson, Clerk

School Superintendent ....................... David L. Rainer
Attorney .......................................... Grover Henderson

Candler County

Created by Ga. L. 1914
Named for Allen Daniel Candler, 1834-1910, Governor of Georgia.
County Seat ....................................... Metter 30439
Area ................................................ 250 square miles
Congressional District .......................... 1
Senatorial District ................................ 4
Representative District ......................... 109
Judicial Circuit ................................... Middle
Population 1980 US Census .................... 7,518

Officers

Judge of Probate ............................. Charles E. Beasley
Clerk .............................................. Theresa K. Sutton
Sheriff ............................................. Homer Bell
Tax Commissioner ....................... Jan T. Cromerite
Surveyor .......................................... William Donaldson
Coroner ............................................. L.V. Hooks
Commissioners ................................. George Walter Bird, Jr., Chairman
Gary Allen
Wesley Lanier
Debbie S. Lanier, Clerk

School Superintendent ....................... Jimmy Wilcox
Attorney .......................................... L.C. Anderson
Carroll County
Created by Ga. L. 1825; Ga. L. 1826
Named for Charles Carroll, of Md., 1737-1832,
Signer of the Declaration of Independence.
County Seat .......... Carrollton 30117
Area .................. 495 square miles
Congressional District 6
Senatorial Districts 29, 30
Representative Districts 69, 70, 71
Judicial Circuit ...... Coweta
Population 1980 US Census .... 56,346

Officers
Judge of Probate .... Mrs. Gid Robison
Clerk .................... Kenneth Skinner
Sheriff ........ Hugh L. Lambert
Tax Commissioner .......... Bette Barnes
Surveyor ........ Douglas C. Crawford
Coroner ........ Kenneth Crawford
Commissioner ............ Horrie Duncan
School Superintendent .... Travis B. Edmondson
Attorney ............ William P. Johnson

Catoosa County
Created by Ga. L. 1853
Named for an Indian Chief
County Seat .......... Ringgold 30736
Area .................. 167 square miles
Congressional District 7
Senatorial Districts 53, 54
Representative Districts 2, 3
Judicial Circuit ...... Lookout Mountain
Population 1980 US Census .... 36,991

Officers
Judge of Probate .... Sam T. Dills
Clerk ...................... Norman L. Stone
Sheriff ........ J.D. Stewart
Tax Commissioner .......... Charles C. Proctor
Coroner ........ David L. Carlock
Commissioner ........... James A. Moreland
School Superintendent .... Charles Lindsey
Attorney ............ William P. Johnson

Chatham County
Created by Constitution of Feb. 5, 1777
Named for Earl of Chatham (William Lord Pitt),
England, 1708-1778, Prime Minister.
County Seat .......... Savannah 31402
Area .................. 445 square miles
Congressional District 1
Senatorial Districts 1, 2, 3
Representative Districts 112-128
Judicial Circuit ...... Eastern

Officers
Judge of Probate .... Robert Cook
Clerk .................... Doris S. Stephens
Sheriff ............. Walter Mitchell
Tax Commissioner .......... Barbara Kiley
Surveyor ........ Robert D. Gignilliat, Jr.
Coroner ........ James C. Metts, Jr.
Commissioners .......... Bill Stephenson, Chairman
Charles C. Brooks
Willie Brown
James M. Deloach
Frank O. Downing
Robert L. McCorkle
Barnard Portman
Daniel D. Pruitt
L. Scott Stell, Jr.
Richard C. McNamara, Clerk
School Superintendent ..... Dr. Ronald E. Etheridge
Attorney .......... W. Vincent Settle, III

Chattahoochee County
Created by Ga. L. 1854
Named for Chattahoochee River.
County Seat .......... Cusseta 31805
Area .................. 253 square miles
Congressional District 3
Senatorial Districts 11, 15
Representative Districts 112, 130
Judicial Circuit ...... Chattahoochee
Population 1980 US Census .... 21,732

Officers
Judge of Probate .... H.K. Harpi, Jr.
Clerk .................... Louise Maxwell
Sheriff ............ Glynn Cooper
Tax Commissioner .......... Gloria Culpepper
Coroner ........ Jack A. Pifer
Commissioners .......... Bill Taylor, Chairman
Julian Greer
Roscoe Robinson
H.K. Harp, Jr., Clerk
School Superintendent .... Fred Alford
Attorney .......... W. Vincent Settle, III

Chattanooga County
Created by Ga. L. 1838
Named for Chattooga River.
County Seat .......... Summerville 30747
Area .................. 317 square miles
Congressional District 7
Senatorial District 53
Representative District 5

Officers
Judge of Probate .... J.S. Haddock, Jr.
Clerk .................... Inez B. Southwell
Sheriff ............ Ernest Conner
Tax Commissioner .......... Bo Todd
Surveyor ........ Sidney L. Gowen
Coroner ........ Bennie Smith
Commissioners .......... William J. Carter, Chairman
Pasco S. Bryant
Jesse A. Crews, Jr.
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School Superintendent .......... Robert Sumner
Attorney .......... W. Vincent Settle, III

School Superintendent .......... Rosa Mae Brooks, Clerk
Attorney .......... William P. Johnson

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 Cherokee County

Created by Ga. L. 1830; Ga. L. 1831; Ga. L. 1832
Named for Cherokee Indians.

County Seat .................................. Canton 30114
Area ........................................ 415 square miles
Congressional District ....................... 9
Senatorial Districts .......................... 37, 51
Representative Districts ...................... 8, 10
Judicial Circuit .................................. Blue Ridge

Officers
Judge of Probate ....................... Willie Mae Johnson
Clerk ......................................... Annette Fleming
Sheriff ...................................... Bo Ballard
Tax Commissioner ................. David Fields
Surveyor .................................. R. Jerry Thacker
Coroner .................................. Norman Sosebee
Commissioner ..................... Gene Hobgood

Evelyn W. Chambers, Clerk

School Superintendent ................. Mike Johnston
Attorney .................................. Elliott Baker

 Clarke County

Created by Ga. L. 1801
Named for Elijah Clarke, 1735-1799.

County Seat .................................. Athens 30601
Area ........................................ 116 square miles
Congressional District ....................... 10
Senatorial Districts .......................... 46
Representative Districts .............. 13, 67, 68
Judicial Circuit .................................. Western
Population 1980 US Census ..................... 74,498

Officers
Judge of Probate .................... Margaret P. Hartman
Clerk .................................. Dolores Brooks
Sheriff ................................... Jerry L. Massey
Tax Commissioner ............. Homer G. Hale, Jr.
Coroner .................................. Charlie Owens
Commissioners .................... James R. Holland, Chairman
George Bullock
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Walter Padgett
William L. Foster, Clerk

School Superintendent ................. Dr. Carol Purvis
Attorney .................................. John R. Nicholson

 Clay County

Created by Ga. L. 1854
Named for Henry Clay, of Kentucky, 1777-1852.

County Seat .................................. Fort Gaines 31751
Area ........................................ 200 square miles

Judicial Circuit .................................. Lookout Mountain
Population 1980 US Census ..................... 21,856

Officers
Judge of Probate ...................... Jon Payne
Clerk ................................ Sam L. Cordle, Jr.
Sheriff ................................ Gary W. McConnell
Tax Commissioner ........ Hugh Don Hall
Coroner .................................. Earle Rainwater
Commissioner .................... Rebecca S. Martin, Clerk

School Superintendent ................. John W. King
Attorney .................................. Arch Farrar, Jr.

 Congressional District ....................... 2
Senatorial Districts ......................... 11
Representative Districts .................. 131
Judicial Circuit .................................. Pataula
Population 1980 US Census ..................... 3,553

Officers
Judge of Probate ..................... Mickie Shivers
Clerk .................................. Deanna Bertrand
Sheriff ................................... Roger Shivers
Tax Commissioner ........... Earl L. Davis
Coroner .................................. John Coleman
Commissioners ........obi Isler, Chairman
Claude M. Cook, Jr.
Bob Hall
E.R. Lindsey
C. Hill McKernie
Deanna Bertrand, Clerk

School Superintendent ................. Jerry White
Attorney .................................. William H. Mills

 Clay County

Created by Ga. L. 1858
Named for Augustin Smith Clayton, 1783-1839.

County Seat .................................. Jonesboro 30236
Area ........................................ 149 square miles
Congressional District ....................... 6
Senatorial Districts .......................... 17, 44
Representative Districts .................. 72
Judicial Circuit .................................. Clayton
Population 1980 US Census ..................... 150,357

Officers
Judge of Probate .................... Eugene E. Lawson
Clerk .................................. Joe B. Mundy
Sheriff .................................. D.G. Lemacks
Tax Commissioner ........ Carl M. Maddox
Coroner .................................. Pope Dickson
Commissioners .................. Charley Griswell, Chairman
Loren B. Cheaves
Raymond E. Johnson
Jim Stewart
Ernest Wright
Loretta C. Wright, Clerk

School Superintendent ................. Ernest L. Stroud
Attorney .................................. John McCannon

 Clinch County

Created by Ga. L. 1850
Named for Duncan Lamont Clinch, of N.C., 1787-1849.

County Seat .................................. Homerville 31634
Area ........................................ 797 square miles
Congressional District ....................... 8
Senatorial Districts .......................... 7
Representative Districts .................. 150
Judicial Circuit .................................. Alapaha
Population 1980 US Census ..................... 6,660

Officers
Judge of Probate ................. Karleen S. O'Berry
Clerk .................................. Sarah B.C. Booth
Sheriff .................................. Cecil Barber
Tax Commissioner ........... L. Carl Smith
Surveyor .................................. H.W. Williams, Jr.
Coroner .................................. Dell Terry Bennett
Commissioners ........obi Allen Sirmans, Chairman
Mack Brown
Alex Corbett
Nolan McLaine
Freddie Trowell  
Karyln P. Lieupo, Clerk

School Superintendent ....................... H. Joe Brooks  
Attorney .................................. Berrien Sutton

**Cobb County**

Created Ga. L. 1832  
Named for Thomas Willis Cobb, 1784-1830.

County Seat .................................. Marietta 30060
Area ............................................. 343 square miles
Congressional District ...................... 7
Senatorial Districts .......................... 32, 33, 37, 56
Representative Districts ................... 20, 21
Judicial Circuit ............................. Southern
Population 1980 US Census ................... 297,694

**Officers**

Judge of Probate ............................. Vernon W. Duncan  
Clerk ........................................ Jack L. Graham
Sheriff ........................................ Bill Hutson  
Tax Commissioner ......................... John K. Chastain, Sr.
Surveyor ...................................... Thomas E. Williams
Commissioners ............................... Ernest W. Barrett, Chairman  
George W. Lankford  
Harvey D. Paschal  
Butch Thompson  
Barbara E. Williams  
Samuel M. Young, Clerk

School Superintendent ....................... Dr. Thomas S. Toose  
Attorney ...................................... Irma Glover

**Coffee County**

Created by Ga. L. 1854.  
Named for John Coffee, 1782-1836.

County Seat .................................. Douglas 31533
Area ............................................. 612 square miles
Congressional District ...................... 8
Senatorial District .......................... 19
Representative District ..................... 139
Judicial Circuit ............................. Waycross
Population 1980 US Census ................... 26,894

**Officers**

Judge of Probate ............................. Troy C. Paul  
Clerk ......................................... Herbert Mote  
Sheriff ........................................ Paul Hutchenson  
Tax Commissioner ............................ E.W. Williams  
Surveyor ..................................... Carlton Evans  
Coroner ....................................... Charles M. Cross
Commissioners ............................... Frank Jackson, Chairman  
John N. Moore  
W.E. Miller  
Thurston Paulk, Jr.  
Orvis Vickers  
Gail Hill, Clerk

School Superintendent ....................... Dahl McDermitt  
Attorney ...................................... William V. Evans

**Colquitt County**

Created by Ga. L. 1856  
Named for Walter Terry Colquitt, 1799-1855.

County Seat .................................. Moultrie 31768
Area ............................................. 563 square miles
Congressional District ...................... 2
Senatorial Districts ........................ 10, 13
Representative Districts .................. 144, 145
Judicial Circuit ............................. Southern
Population 1980 US Census ................... 35,376

**School Superintendent** ........................ H. Joe Brooks  
**Attorney** ..................................... Berrien Sutton

**Columbia County**

Created by Ga. L. 1790  
Named for Christopher Columbus, 1451-1506, who discovered America.

County Seat .................................. Appling 30802
Area ............................................. 290 square miles
Congressional District ...................... 10
Senatorial Districts ........................ 23, 24
Representative Districts ................... 83, 84
Judicial Circuit ............................. Augusta
Population 1980 US Census ................... 40,118

**Officers**

Judge of Probate ............................. Pat Hardaway  
Clerk ......................................... G.B. Pollard, Jr.  
Sheriff ........................................ Tom Whitfield  
Tax Commissioner ............................ Pierce Morris  
Coroner ....................................... Thomas L. King, Sr.
Commissioners ............................... Larry Prather, Chairman  
Charles Allen, Jr.  
Al Dempsey  
A.R. Lane  
Lynn J. Norris, Jr.  
Emory Sayer, Clerk

School Superintendent ....................... Tucker Vaughtn  
Attorney ...................................... A. Rowland Dye

**Coffey County**

Created by Ga. L. 1837  
Named for Phillip Coffey, 1817-1884.

County Seat .................................. Adel 31620
Area ............................................. 233 square miles
Congressional District ...................... 2
Senatorial District .......................... 8
Representative District ..................... 146
Judicial Circuit ............................. Apalache
Population 1980 US Census ................... 13,490

**Officers**

Judge of Probate ............................. Dan Cowart  
Clerk ......................................... Everett B. James  
Sheriff ........................................ Charles W. Bryant  
Tax Commissioner ............................ Vernon A. Boone  
Surveyor ..................................... Tommy R. Taylor, Sr.  
Coroner ...................................... Dave Godwin
Commissioners ............................... James G. Connell, Chairman  
R.L. Kendick, Jr.  
Hall Lasseter  
Roy C. Sumner  
Arlie Walker  
Montine F. Wood, Clerk

School Superintendent ....................... Edward C. Leichner  
Attorney ...................................... Tom Thomas
Coweta County

Created by Ga. L. 1825; Ga. L. 1826
Named for Wm. McIntosh, General, Chief of the Cowetas.
County Seat .................... Newnan 30263
Area .............................. 442 square miles
Congressional District ................. 6
Senatorial District .................. 28
Representative Districts .............. 71, 75, 77, 91
Judicial Circuit .................. Coweta

Officers
Judge of Probate .................. Carl McKoy
Clerk ............................ Virginia Holbrook
Sheriff ............................ G. Aaron Massey
Tax Commissioner ................ J.T. Ferrell
Surveyor .......................... Robert P. Briggs
Coroner .......................... Donald W. Millians
Commissioners ................... W.C. Adamson, Chairman
Johnny Brown
W. Dan Jackson
L.H. Johnson
Jim Morgan
Vernon Hunter, Clerk

School Superintendent ............. Robert Lee
Attorney .......................... Charles Van S. Mottla

Crawford County

Created by Ga. L. 1822
Named for William Harris Crawford, 1772-1834.
County Seat ...................... Knoxville 31050
Area .............................. 315 square miles
Congressional District ............... 3
Senatorial District .................. 27
Representative Districts ............ 80, 98
Judicial Circuit .................. Macon

Officers
Judge of Probate .................. Mrs. K.P. Lowe
Clerk ............................ John D. Castleberry
Sheriff ............................ Kerry M. Dunaway
Tax Commissioner ................ Homer Seagler
Surveyor .......................... Charles W. Aultman
Coroner .......................... Eugene O'Neal
Commissioners .................... John B. Hutto, Chairman
Otha C. Dent
David J. Moncrief
Charles Dubyak, Clerk

School Superintendent ............. Robert Lee
Attorney .......................... Charles Van S. Mottla

Dade County

Created by Ga. L. 1837
Named for Francis Langhorne Dade, 1719-1835.
County Seat ...................... Trenton 30752
Area .............................. 168 square miles
Congressional District ............... 7
Senatorial District .................. 53
Representative Districts ............ 1, 5
Judicial Circuit .................. Lookout Mountain

Officers
Judge of Probate .................. Charles W. Gray
Clerk ............................ Betty C. Rogers
Sheriff ............................ Ronald C. Steele
Tax Commissioner ................ John F. Bradford
Coroner .......................... Johnny Crabtree
Commissioner ..................... Larry Moore
Clerk ............................ Carrol Kirchmeyer, Clerk

School Superintendent ............. Lloyd C. Gass
Attorney .......................... Arch Farrar

Dawson County

Created by Ga. L. 1857
Named for William Crosby Dawson, 1796-1857.
County Seat ...................... Dawsonville 30534
Area .............................. 211 square miles
Congressional District .......... 9
Senatorial District ................. 50
Representative Districts ........... 9
Judicial Circuit .................. Northeastern
Population 1980 US Census .......... 4,774

Officers
Judge of Probate .................. Grady H. Fields
Clerk ............................ Ralph Maddox
Sheriff ............................ John Davis
Tax Commissioner ................ Hubert Bailey
Coroner .......................... Ford Banister
Commissioner ..................... Joe Lane Cox
Clerk ............................ Becky McCord, Clerk

School Superintendent ............. Randall Townley
Attorney .......................... Robert Thompson

Crisp County

Created by Ga. L. 1905
Named for Charles Frederick Crisp, 1845-1896.
County Seat ....................... Cordele 31015
Area .............................. 292 square miles
Congressional District ............. 2
Senatorial District .................. 13
Representative District ............. 135
Judicial Circuit .................. Cordele

Officers
Judge of Probate .................. Elizabeth H. Westbrook
Clerk ............................ Ovis Stephens
Sheriff ............................ Ernest W. Forrest
Tax Commissioner ................ Sammie N. Farrow
Surveyor .......................... William A. Pryor

Decatur County

Created by Ga. L. 1823
Named for Stephen Decatur, 1779-1820.
County Seat ....................... Bainbridge 31717
Area .............................. 575 square miles
Congressional District .......... 2
Senatorial District .................. 10
Representative Districts ............ 141, 142
Judicial Circuit .................. South Georgia
Population 1980 Census .......... 25,495

Officers
Judge of Probate .................. Ruth Deese
Clerk ............................ Zadie B. King
Sheriff ............................ E.W. Phillips
Tax Commissioner ................ C.B. Hester, Jr.
Treasurer .......................... Woodrow W. Emanuel
Coroner ................................ Ronnie Cox
Commissioners ..................... J.C. Dollar, Chairman
                              H. Woodrow Griffin
                              W.B. Miller, Jr.
                              Everett W. Murray
                              Marvin Rentz
Ophelia W. Brock, Clerk
School Superintendent ........... Charles R. Bess
Attorney ................................ Harold Lambert

DeKalb County
Created by Ga. L. 1822
Named for Johann DeKalb, Baron,
killed at Battle of Camden, S.C., 1780.
County Seat ....................... Decatur 30030
Area ................................ 269 square miles
Congressional Districts .......... 4, 5
Senatorial Districts .............. 5, 41-33, 55
Representative Districts ...... 44-58
Judicial Circuit .................. Stone Mountain
Population 1980 US Census ...... 483,024

Officers
Judge of Probate ................... Marion Guess, Jr.
Clerk ............................... Whitfield C. Smith
Sheriff ............................. Pat Jarvis
Tax Commissioner ................. Eugene E. Adams
Surveyor ........................... William H. Brewer
Commissioners .................... Manuel J. Maloof, Chairman
                              John Evans
                              Robert E. Lanier
                              Liane Levetan
                              Brince Manning, III
                              Jim Patterson
                              Jean F. Williams
                              David W. Joyner, Clerk
School Superintendent ........... Dr. Robert R. Freeman
Attorney ............................ George P. Dillard

Dodge County
Created by Ga. L. 1870
Named for William Earl Dodge, of N.Y., 1802-1833.
County Seat ....................... Eastman 30123
Area ................................ 498 square miles
Congressional District .......... 8
Senatorial District ............... 19
Representative District ...... 118
Judicial Circuit .................. Oconee
Population 1980 US Census ...... 16,955

Officers
Judge of Probate ................... Doyce Mullis
Clerk ............................... Tommy Cranford
Sheriff ............................. Jackson Jones
Tax Commissioner ................. Dillard Skipper
Surveyor ........................... Jim H. Ross
Coroner ............................. Alfonso Stephens
Commissioner ...................... Guy Tripp
                              Elaine W. Clements, Clerk
School Superintendent ........... T.F. Hilliard, Jr.
Attorney ............................ Milton Harrison

Dooly County
Created by Ga. L. 1821
Named for John Dooly, died in 1780,
Colonel, Revolutionary and Indian War hero.
County Seat ....................... Vienna 31092
Area ................................ 395 square miles
Congressional District .......... 3
Senatorial District ............... 13
Representative District .......... 135
Judicial Circuit .................. Cordele
Population 1980 US Census ...... 10,826

Officers
Judge of Probate ................... Dwayne D. Forehand
Clerk ............................... Wayne Cason
Sheriff ............................. Barney M. Thomas
Tax Commissioner ................. Ralph E. Cason
Coroner ............................. Ron Foshee
Commissioners .................... Billy S. Giles, Chairman
                              Alton P. Draughon
                              Wayne West
                              Frances K. Smith, Clerk
School Superintendent ........... Warren Alexander
Attorney ............................ Davis, Pridgen & Jones

Dougherty County
Created by Ga. L. 1853
Named for Charles Dougherty.
County Seat ....................... Albany 31701
Area ................................ 324 square miles
Congressional District .......... 2
Senatorial District ............... 12
Representative Districts ...... 132-134, 140
Judicial Circuit .................. Dougherty
Population 1980 US Census ...... 100,978

Officers
Judge of Probate ................... Helen G. Rohrs
Clerk ............................... Royace B. Hinson
Sheriff ............................. D. Lamar Stewart
Coroner ............................. Robert L. Brookshier, Jr.
Commissioners .................... Gil Barrett, Chairman
                              George Brown
                              John L. Brunson
                              Larry Clark
                              Don Cutler
                              Karl Hall
Robert C. Smith, Co. Administrator
School Superintendent .......... Paul B. Robertson
Attorney ............................ Spencer Lee

Douglas County
Created by Ga. L. 1870
County Seat ....................... Douglasville 30134
Area ................................ 202 square miles
Congressional District .......... 6
Senatorial Districts .......... 30, 34
Representative Districts ...... 41, 42, 70
Judicial Circuit ................. Douglas
Population 1980 US Census ...... 54,573

Officers
Judge of Probate ................... Robert F. Abercrombie
Clerk ............................... Jane C. Williams
Sheriff ............................. Earl D. Lee
Tax Commissioner ................. Ann Jones
Surveyor ........................... Carl Jones
Coroner ............................. Paul Cochran
Commissioners .................... Jerry H. Watson, Chairman
                              Marion Garrett
                              Jimmy Tippens
                              Helen Meade, Clerk
School Superintendent .......... Kathryn Shehane
Attorney ............................ Neal Dettmering
Early County
Created by Ga. L. 1818.
Named for Peter Early, 1773-1817, Governor of Georgia.
County Seat ........................................ Blakely 31723
Area .................................................. 524 square miles
Congressional District ............................. 2
Senatorial District .................................. 11
Representative District ............................ 140
Judicial Circuit .................................. Pataula
Population 1980 US Census ....................... 13,158

Officers
Judge of Probate ............................ Eleanor P. Sheffield
Clerk ............................................. Norman Alexander
Sheriff ...................................... Oree Thompson
Tax Commissioner ....................... Eloise M. Moseley
Surveyor .................................. Lodge Holman
Coroner .................................... Billy J. Jordan
Commissioners ............................ Wilbur A. Evans, Chairman
G.W. Davis
Ralph Jenkins
J.H. Radney
Liston E. Radney
School Superintendent .......... William E. Broadway, Clerk
Attorney .................................. Thomas H. Baxley

Echols County
Created by Ga. L. 1858
Named for Robert Milner Echols, died in 1847.
County Seat ...................................... Statenville 31648
Agea .............................................. 425 square miles
Congressional District ............................ 2
Senatorial District .................................. 8
Representative District ............................ 147
Judicial Circuit .................................. Southern
Population 1980 US Census ..................... 2,297

Officers
Judge of Probate ............................. Wayne Davis
Clerk ............................................... Lola Davis
Sheriff .......................................... C.E. Carter
Tax Commissioner ......................... Eleanor Faye Smith
Surveyor .................................. Brooks E. Culpepper
Coroner ..................................... Johnny Kulianich
Commissioners ............................. Donald Dukes, Chairman
Perry Coggins
Vernon Lightsey
Mary Bell Carter, Clerk
School Superintendent .................. Jacki L. Carter
Attorney .................................. William P. Langdale, Jr.

Effingham County
Created by Constitution of Feb. 5, 1777
Named for Earl of Effingham (Francis Lord Howard),
Colonel, British Army.
County Seat .................................. Springfield 31329
Area .............................................. 480 square miles
Congressional District ............................. 1
Senatorial District .................................. 4
Representative District ............................ 129
Judicial Circuit .................................. Ogeechee
Population 1980 US Census ..................... 18,327

Officers
Judge of Probate ............................. Frances Y. Seckinger
Clerk ............................................. Louise H. Newkirk
Sheriff ........................................ Van Findley
Tax Commissioner ......................... Monteen M. Burns
Surveyor ................................... Paul Wilder
Coroner .................................. Ray D. Webb, M.D.
Commissioners ........................... Noel C. Conaway, Chairman
Lonnie Alderman
Lloyd C. Fulcher, Sr.
Wendell Shearouse
Charles Leon Usher
Dorothy Standard, Clerk
School Superintendent ........ J. Michael Moore
Attorney ................................... Alexander L. Zipperer, III

Elbert County
Created by Ga. L. 1790
Named for Samuel Elbert, 1740-88, Governor of Georgia.
County Seat .................................. Elberton 30635
Area .............................................. 358 square miles
Congressional District ............................. 1
Senatorial District .................................. 21
Representative District ............................ 109
Judicial Circuit .................................. Southern
Population 1980 US Census ..................... 20,795

Officers
Judge of Probate ............................. Julia W. West
Clerk ............................................. Charles H. Rucker
Sheriff ........................................ Charles Starrett
Tax Commissioner ...................... Dewey S. Higginbotham
Surveyor .................................. A.P. Stevens, Jr.
Coroner .................................... Bummie Scarborough
Commissioners ............................. Billy R. Brown, Chairman
J. Raymond Anderson
Paul Burden
Otsi Childs, Jr.
Joe Johnson
Phyllis H. Thompson, Clerk
School Superintendent .................. Roy C. Hartley
Attorney .................................. Robert M. Heard

Emanuel County
Created by Ga. L. 1812
Named for David Emanuel, 1744-1810, Governor of Georgia.
County Seat ........................................ Swainsboro 30401
Area ............................................. 686 square miles
Congressional District ............................. 1
Senatorial District .................................. 21
Representative District ............................ 109
Judicial Circuit .................................. Southern
Population 1980 US Census ..................... 20,795

Officers
Judge of Probate ............................. H. Kelmer Durden
Clerk ............................................. Jay Lawson
Sheriff ........................................ James B. Mason
Tax Commissioner ....................... Lorene S. Canady
Coroner .................................... Edmond Curry
Commissioners ............................. Sam F. Smith, Chairman
Carson Cross
Tyson Stephens
Roger L. Shaw, Clerk
School Superintendent ................ Novis K. Fields
Attorney .................................. Spivey, Carlton & Edenfield

Evans County
Created by Ga. L. 1914
Named for Clement Anslem Evans, 1833-1911.
County Seat .................................. Claxton 30417
Area .............................................. 186 square miles
Congressional District ............................. 1
Fannin County

Created by Ga. L. 1854
Named for James W. Fannin.

County Seat .................................. Blue Ridge 30513
Area ............................................. 394 square miles
Congressional District ....................... 9
Senatorial District .............................. 51
Representative District .......................... 4
Judicial Circuit ............................... Appalachian
Population 1980 US Census .................... 14,748

Officers
Judge of Probate .............................. T.S. Arp
Clerk ............................................. Roy W. Panter
Sheriff .......................................... Walter A. Porter
Tax Commissioner ............................. Windell Davis
Surveyor ........................................ Mike L. Hampton
Coroner ......................................... William Wright
Commissioners ................................. Richard A. Stanley, Chairman
........................................... Don Sisson
........................................... John T. Stephens
........................................... Maryanne Green, Clerk

School Superintendent ........................ Gene Cranford
Attorney ........................................ Oliver H. Doss, Jr.

Forsyth County

Created by Ga. L. 1832
Named for John Forsyth, 1780-1841, Governor of Georgia.

County Seat .................................. Cumming 30041
Area ............................................. 219 square miles
Congressional District ....................... 9
Senatorial District .............................. 49, 56
Representative District .......................... 10
Judicial Circuit ................................... Blue Ridge

Officers
Judge of Probate .............................. Joyce W. Hawkins
Clerk ............................................. Cecil McClure
Sheriff .......................................... Wesley Walraven
Tax Commissioner ............................. Bobby G. Gilbert
Surveyor ........................................ William C. Munday
Coroner ......................................... Royston A. Ingram, Jr.
Commissioners ............................... Donald Glover, Chairman
........................................... David Gilbert
........................................... Leroy Hubbard
........................................... Jack Shoemaker
........................................... Marcus Whitmire
........................................... Betty Shadburn, Clerk

School Superintendent ........................ B.M. Amsler
Attorney ......................................... Lynwood Jordan

Franklin County

Created by Ga. L. 1784
Named for Benjamin Franklin, 1706-1790,
Signer of Declaration of Independence, Governor of Pa.

County Seat .................................. Carnesville 30521
Area ............................................. 263 square miles
Congressional District ....................... 9
Senatorial District .............................. 47
Representative District .......................... 13
Judicial Circuit ................................... Northern
Population 1980 US Census .................... 15,185

Officers
Judge of Probate .............................. Nelson Casey
Clerk ............................................. James A. LeCroy
Sheriff .......................................... Joe Foster

School Superintendent ........................ Hugh G. Stinchcomb
Attorney ........................................ William McNally

Fayette County

Created by Ga. L. 1821
Named for Gilbert de Matier LaFayette, 1757-1834.

County Seat .................................. Fayetteville 30214
Area ............................................. 199 square miles
Congressional District ....................... 6
Senatorial District .............................. 34
Representative District .......................... 43
Judicial Circuit ................................... Griffin

Officers
Judge of Probate .............................. James F. White
Clerk ............................................. W.A. Ballard
Sheriff .......................................... Randall Johnson
Tax Commissioner ............................. Charlotte E. Griggs
Coroner ......................................... C.J. Mowell, Jr.
Commissioners ................................. Jerry Barronton, Chairman
........................................... Dennis J. Berkelbaugh
........................................... Steve Black
........................................... Tom Harris
........................................... Mike Reid
........................................... Carl C. Mundt, Clerk

School Superintendent ........................ Hugh G. Stinchcomb
Attorney ........................................ William McNally

Floyd County

Created by Ga. L. 1832
Named for John Floyd, 1769-1839.

County Seat .................................. Rome 30161
Area ............................................. 514 square miles
Congressional District ....................... 7
Senatorial District .............................. 52
Representative Districts .......................... 15, 16
Judicial Circuit ................................... Rome

Officers
Judge of Probate .............................. Harry Johnson, Jr.
Clerk ............................................. Joe Johnston
Sheriff .......................................... Bill Hart
Tax Commissioner ............................. John Adams
Coroner ......................................... Fred Talley
Commissioners ................................. Anne Rigas, Chairman
........................................... C.T. Blankenship
........................................... Joe Rob Mathis
........................................... Charles C. Parker
........................................... Howard M. Smith
........................................... Sue Broome, Clerk

School Superintendent ........................ Nevin Jones
Attorney ......................................... Jerry L. Minge

Senatorial Districts ............................. 49, 56

Senatorial District ............................. 10
Population 1980 US Census .................... 8,428
Tax Commissioner .................... Richard Holland
Surveyor .......................... Russell Bartlett
Coroner .......................... Raymond Hendrix
Commissioners ...................... Terrell Roper

Fulton County
Created by Ga. L. 1853
Named for Robert Fulton, 1765-1815.
Campbell and Milton Counties merged
with Fulton, Jan. 1, 1932.

County Seat ...................... Atlanta 30303
Area .......................... 530 square miles
Congressional Districts .......... 4, 5, 6
Senatorial Districts ............. 34-36, 38-40, 56
Representative Districts ...... 22-40
Judicial Circuit ................ Atlanta
Population 1980 US Census ..... 589,904

Officers
Judge of Probate ....................... Floyd E. Propst
Clerk .................................. Barbara J. Price
Sheriff ............................... LeRoy Stynchcombe
Tax Commissioner ................. William L. Roberts
Surveyor ............................. John E. Didicher
Commissioners .................... Michael L. Lomax, Chairman
Bruce Bannister
A. Reginald Eaves
Milton Farris
Tom Lowe
Lee J. Roach
Chuck Williams
Alice H. Smith, Clerk

School Superintendent ............. John W. Grindle
Attorney ........................... Robert G. Young

Glynn County
Created by Constitution of Feb. 5, 1777
Named for John Glynn, Member of Parliament.

County Seat ...................... Brunswick 31520
Area .......................... 412 square miles
Congressional Districts .......... 1
Senatorial Districts ............. 3, 6
Representative Districts ...... 155, 156
Judicial Circuit ................ Brunswick
Population 1980 US Census ..... 54,981

Officers
Judge of Probate ....................... Betty U. Miller
Clerk .................................. Audrey H. Richards
Sheriff ............................... James English
Tax Commissioner ................. Catherine K. Kelley
Treasurer .......................... Joe Fordham
Surveyor ............................. Johnny E. Miller
Coroner ............................... Lewis Kitchen, Jr.
Commissioners .................... Charles C. Roberts, Chairman
Murray E. Hadden
Hubert Hughes
Elizabeth U. Hadden, Clerk

School Superintendent ............. Eta G. Wilcher
Attorney ........................... Albert Davis & Sammy Fowler

Glascock County
Created by Ga. L. 1857
Named for Thomas Glascock, 1790-1841.

County Seat ...................... Gibson 30810
Area .......................... 143 square miles
Congressional Districts .......... 8
Senatorial Districts ............. 21
Representative Districts ...... 82
Judicial Circuit ................ Toombs
Population 1980 US Census ..... 2,382

Officers
Judge of Probate ....................... Betty U. Miller
Clerk .................................. Audry H. Richards
Sheriff ............................... James English
Tax Commissioner ................. Catherine K. Kelley
Treasurer .......................... Joe Fordham
Surveyor ............................. Johnny E. Miller
Coroner ............................... Lewis Kitchen, Jr.
Commissioners .................... Charles C. Roberts, Chairman
Murray E. Hadden
Hubert Hughes
Elizabeth U. Hadden, Clerk

School Superintendent ............. Eta G. Wilcher
Attorney ........................... Albert Davis & Sammy Fowler

Gordon County
Created by Ga. L. 1850

County Seat ...................... Calhoun 30701
Area .......................... 358 square miles
Congressional Districts .......... 9
Senatorial Districts ............. 51
Representative Districts ...... 7
Judicial Circuit ................ Cherokee
Population 1980 US Census ..... 30,070

Officers
Judge of Probate ....................... Johnny R. Parker
Clerk .................................. Lewis Couch
Grady County

Created by Ga. L. 1905
Named for Henry Woodfin Grady, 1850-1889.
County Seat ..................... Cairo 31728
Area ................................ 466 square miles
Congressional District .................. 2
Senatorial District ......................... 10
Representative District ................. 142
Judicial Circuit ......................... South Georgia

Officers
Judge of Probate .................. Anne W. Edwards
Clerk .............................. Leland Harrison
Sheriff ................................ Gerald Thomas
Tax Commissioner ................. Thomas L. Walker
Coroner ............................ Ralph Gainey, Chairman
Commissioners ....................... John P. Bell
.................................. H. Levaughn Bond
.................................. Kelso Cooper
.................................. Wendell L. Dollar
Bonnie H. Maxwell, Clerk
School Superintendent ............... Doc Elliott
Attorney ........................... Robert Culpepper, III

Greene County

Created by Ga. L. 1786
Named for Nathaniel Greene, 1742-1786.
County Seat ..................... Greensboro 30642
Area ................................ 403 square miles
Congressional District .................. 8
Senatorial District ......................... 24
Representative District ................. 106
Judicial Circuit ......................... Ocmulgee

Officers
Judge of Probate ................... LaVerne C. Ogletree
Clerk .............................. Ray Marchman
Sheriff ................................ James E. Finch, Jr.
Tax Commissioner ........... Martha F. Dyar
Coroner ............................ Steve McCommons
Commissioners ....................... Harvey Higdon, Chairman
.................................. Benny Asbury
.................................. Wayne Corry
.................................. Cynthia Curtis Lewis
.................................. W.L. Stone
Gretchen Ott, Clerk
School Superintendent ............... Ford Boston
Attorney ........................... W. Seaborn Ashley, Jr.

Habersham County

Created by Ga. L. 1818
Named for Joseph Habersham, 1751-1815.
County Seat ..................... Clarkesville 30523
Area ................................ 282 square miles
Congressional District .................. 9
Senatorial District ......................... 50
Representative District ................. 11
Judicial Circuit ......................... Mountain

Officers
Judge of Probate ................. C.V. Burrell
Clerk .............................. Ernest W. Nations, Jr.
Sheriff ................................ Robert F. Pitts
Tax Commissioner ........... Lee Burke
Coroner ................................ Lawrence Perry
Commissioners ....................... H. Hebron Lovell, Chairman
.................................. Olive Scott Forde
.................................. Earl Roberts
Ruby S. Fulbright, Clerk
School Superintendent ............... Lonnie Burns
Attorney ........................... Glenn Ellard

Hall County

Created by Ga. L. 1818
Named for Lyman Hall, 1724-90, Governor of Georgia,
Signer of the Declaration of Independence.
County Seat ..................... Gainesville 30501
Area ................................ 378 square miles
Congressional District .................. 9
Senatorial District ......................... 49
Representative District ................. 9
Judicial Circuit ......................... Northeastern

Officers
Judge of Probate .................. Jack C. Hulsey
Clerk .............................. H. Grady Watson
Sheriff ................................ Richard V. Mecum
Tax Commissioner ........... Byron Turk
Surveyor ............................ Owen Patton
Coroner ................................ John F. Hooper
Commissioners ....................... Henry O. Ward, Chairman
.................................. R. Cecil Cochran
.................................. Louis R. Stargel

Gwinnett County

Created by Ga. L. 1818
Named for Button Gwinnett, 1732-1777, Governor of Georgia,
Signer of Declaration of Independence.
Haralson County

Created by Ga. L. 1856
Named for Hugh Anderson Haralson, 1805-1854.

County Seat ............... Sparta 31087
Area ................................ 478 square miles
Congressional District ............. 8
Senatorial District ............... 27
Representative District ............ 106
Judicial Circuit ................ Ocmulgee
Population 1980 US Census ............ 9,466

Officers
Judge of Probate .......... Edith J. Ingram
Clerk ................... Leroy S. Wiley
Sheriff ............... J.T. Walton
Tax Commissioner ...... Sammie L. Warren
Coroner ............... Alexander Ingram
Commissioners .......... George Lott, Chairman
James H. Jones
Earnest L. Kendricks
Mamie D. Smith, Clerk

School Superintendent .......... Marvin E. Lewis
Attorney .......... Roosevelt Warren

Hancock County

Created by Ga. L. 1793
Named for John Hancock, 1737-1793,
First signer of the Declaration of Independence,
Governor of Massachusetts.

County Seat ............... Atlanta 30324
Area ................................ 344 square miles
Congressional District ............. 6
Senatorial District ............... 25
Representative District ............ 106
Judicial Circuit ................ Ocmulgee
Population 1980 US Census ............ 9,466

Officers
Judge of Probate .......... Donald L. Nelms
Clerk ................... John H. Adams
Sheriff ............... Leila D. Holloway
Tax Commissioner ...... James Stevens
Coroner ............... Raymond E. Grant, Chairman
Commissioners .......... Ernest Andrews
Charles A. Cook
Carl Clayton Hobbs, III
David L. Pulliam
Richard Ellis, Clerk

School Superintendent .......... Richard M. Carlisle
Attorney .......... Ken Askew

Harris County

Created by Ga. L. 1827
Named for Charles Harris, 1772-1827.

County Seat ............... Hamilton 31811
Area ................................ 456 square miles
Congressional District ............. 3
Senatorial District ............... 29
Representative District ............ 93
Judicial Circuit ................ Chattahoochee

Officers
Judge of Probate .......... Roy D. Moultrie
Clerk ................... Douglas H. Winters
Sheriff ............... Julius Hulsey
Tax Commissioner ...... Charles A. Cook
Coroner ............... David L. Pulliam
Commissioners .......... Charles Ellis, Chairman
James H. Jones
Earnest L. Kendricks
Mamie D. Smith, Clerk

School Superintendent .......... Sylvia G. Cooper, Clerk
Attorney .......... Bill Vickers

Hartwell County

Created by Ga. L. 1830
Named for Stephen Heard, 1740-1815,
Governor of Georgia.

County Seat ............... Hartwell 30643
Area ................................ 297 square miles
Congressional District ............. 6
Senatorial District ............... 77
Representative District ............ 13
Judicial Circuit ................ Northern
Population 1980 US Census ............ 18,585

Officers
Judge of Probate .......... Geraldine G. Bailey
Clerk ................... Betty W. Isbell
Sheriff ............... Larry Sanders
Tax Commissioner ...... John O. McCurley
Surveyor ............... Dean H. Teasley
Coroner ............... Bob Powell
Commissioner of Roads & Bridges .... Bruce Teasley
Board of Finance .......... Alan T. Powell, Chairman
Hubert O. Moon
Gerald H. Temple
Robert M. Glenn, Clerk

School Superintendent .......... Vernon Edwards
Attorney .......... Walter J. Gordon

Heard County

Created by Ga. L. 1821
Named for Patrick Henry, 1736-1799,
Governor of Virginia.

County Seat ............... McDonough 30253
Area ................................ 297 square miles
Congressional District ............. 6
Senatorial District ............... 29
Representative District ............ 77
Judicial Circuit ................ Coweta
Population 1980 US Census ............ 6,520

Officers
Judge of Probate .......... Donald L. Nelms
Clerk ................... Bryan Owensby
Sheriff ............... Doyle Scott
Tax Commissioner ...... Johnny Adams
Coroner ............... Randall Noles
Commissioner .......... Steve Lipford

School Superintendent .......... Barbara Rivers, Clerk
Attorney .......... Charles Goodson
Area .............................................. 331 square miles
Congressional District ......................... 6
Senatorial District ................................ 17
Representative Districts ......................... 73, 78
Judicial Circuit ................................ Flint
Population 1980 US Census ....................... 36,309

**Officers**

Judge of Probate .............................. Dell Buttrill
Clerk ........................................... Sara E. Taylor
Sheriff ........................................... William D. Chaffin
Tax Commissioner ............................ Andy Pipkin
Treasurer ...................................... Jason Patrick
Surveyor ....................................... Joe Rowan, Jr.
Coroner ........................................ Perry R. Stewart
Commissioners ............................... Edward H. Whiddon, Chairman
William D. Patrick
Marion H. Simpson
Cereil Spraggins
Beverly P. McLeod, Clerk

School Superintendent ....................... Ted Strickland
Attorney ........................................ Philip Keen

**Irwin County**

Created by Ga. L. 1818
Named for Jared Irwin, 1751-1818, Governor of Georgia.
County Seat .................................. Ocilla 31774
Area ................................................. 372 square miles
Congressional District ......................... 2
Senatorial District ................................ 13
Representative District ......................... 137
Judicial Circuit ................................ Tifton
Population 1980 US Census ....................... 8,988

**Officers**

Judge of Probate .............................. Clarence Smith
Clerk ............................................. Melba W. Paulk
Sheriff .......................................... Leonard C. Pope
Tax Commissioner ............................ Virgil L. Mixon
Coroner ......................................... W.A. Reeves
Commissioners .............................. J.C. Harper, Chairman
                                   Floyd C. Powell
                                   Winston Tucker
                                   Sue McClelland, Clerk

School Superintendent ....................... Rudene Gentry
Attorney ........................................ J. Harvey Davis

**Jackson County**

Created by Ga. L. 1796
Named for James Jackson, 1757-1806, Governor of Georgia.
County Seat .................................. Jefferson 30549
Area ................................................. 346 square miles
Congressional District ......................... 9
Senatorial District ................................ 46, 47
Representative District ......................... 12
Judicial Circuit ................................ Piedmont
Population 1980 US Census ....................... 25,343

**Officers**

Judge of Probate .............................. J.T. Wilkes
Clerk ............................................. Billy N. Elder
Sheriff ............................................. Neal Ward
Tax Commissioner ............................ Henry Doster
Coroner .......................................... Stan E. Evans
Commissioners .............................. Henry D. Robinson, Chairman
                                   Cecil Bray
                                   Harold Fletcher
                                   Dean Wilbanks, Clerk

School Superintendent ....................... Timothy A. Wheeler
Attorney ........................................ Davis, Davidson & Hopkins

**Jeff Davis County**

Created by Ga. L. 1905
Named for Jefferson Davis, of Mississippi & Kentucky, 1808-89, President, CSA.
County Seat .................................... Hazlehurst 31539
Area ................................................. 331 square miles
Congressional District ......................... 8
Senatorial District ................................ 19
Representative District ......................... 153
Judicial Circuit ................................ Brunswick
Population 1980 US Census ....................... 11,473

**Officers**

Judge of Probate .............................. Doshie H. Buford
Clerk ............................................. Eula Mae Edwards
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Robert O. Zellner, Clerk
School Superintendent .......... Jerry E. Singleton, Sr.
Attorney ......................... Norman Smith

**Lanier County**
Created by Ga. L. 1920
Named for Sidney Lanier, 1842-1881,
Poet, musician, critic.
County Seat ...................... Lakeland 31615
Area .............................. 514 square miles
Congressional District ........... 2
Senatorial District ............... 7
Representative District........... 149
Judicial Circuit .................. Alapaha
Population 1980 US Census ........ 5,654

**Officers**
Judge of Probate ................. John H. Harrell, Jr.
Clerk ............................... Martha S. Neugent
Sheriff .............................. James E. Watson
Tax Commissioner ................. Joe P. Carter
Coroner ............................. W.G. Music, Jr.
Commissioners ...................... J.L. Gaskins, Jr., Chairman
Lee Ivey
Benny Johnson
Bonnie R. Ganas, Clerk
School Superintendent .......... Raymond Moore
Attorney ............................ George H. Wynn

**Laurens County**
Created by Ga. L. 1807
Named for John Laurens, 1755-1782.
County Seat ...................... Dublin 31021
Area .............................. 810 square miles
Congressional District ........... 8
Senatorial District ............... 20
Representative District .......... 118, 119
Judicial Circuit ................. Dublin
Population 1980 US Census ........ 36,990

**Officers**
Judge of Probate .................... Helen W. Harper
Clerk ............................... Clifford N. Warren
Sheriff .............................. Ronnie Rogers
Tax Commissioner ................... R.G. Neal
Surveyor ............................ Daniel R. Riggs
Coroner ............................. Jimmy Allen
Commissioners ....................... Mike Wolfe, Chairman
                                B. Tal Fuqua
                                Aurice Harden
                                James R. Travick, Jr.
                                Manning Youngblood
                                Sara M. Neal, Clerk
Attorney ............................ Leon Green

**Lee County**
Created by Ga. L. 1825; Ga. L. 1826
Named for Richard Henry Lee, of Va., 1732-94,
Signer, Declaration of Independence.
County Seat ...................... Leesburg 31763
Area .............................. 355 square miles
Congressional District ........... 2
Senatorial District ............... 14
Representative District .......... 131, 136
Judicial Circuit .................. Southwestern

**Officers**
Judge of Probate ................... Jeanette T. Long
Clerk ............................... Martha D. Phillips
Sheriff .............................. E.J. Bowyer
Tax Commissioner .................. Martha C. Johnson
Treasurer ........................... Thomas P. Tharp, Sr.
Coroner ............................. W.K. Culpepper
Commissioners ...................... A.M. Bruner, Chairman
                                  W.H. Chambers
                                  Charles V. Harrington
                                  R.H. Reid
                                  Charles Rhodes
                                  T.P. Tharp, Clerk
School Superintendent .......... Robert A. Clay
Attorney ............................ W.E. Cannon, Jr.

**Liberty County**
Created by Constitution of Feb. 5, 1777
Named for American Independence.
County Seat ...................... Hinesville 31313
Area .............................. 514 square miles
Congressional District ........... 1
Senatorial District ............... 3
Representative District .......... 129, 154
Judicial Circuit .................. Atlantic
Population 1980 US Census ......... 37,583

**Officers**
Judge of Probate .................... Nancy K. Aspinwall
Clerk ............................... Robert Kitchings
Sheriff .............................. R.V. Sikes
Tax Commissioner ................... Frank Bagley
Surveyor ............................ Earl F. Floyd
Coroner ............................. Sanford L. Carter
Commissioners ....................... James M. Floyd, Chairman
                                Earl M. Bags
                                Hazel Bagley Carter
                                M.L. Coffer
                                J. Ben Darsey, Clerk
School Superintendent .......... Edgar M. Edwards
Attorney ............................ J. Noel Osteen

**Lincoln County**
Created by Ga. L. 1796
Named for Benjamin Lincoln, 1733-1810.
County Seat ...................... Lincolnton 30817
Area .............................. 193 square miles
Congressional District ........... 10
Senatorial District ............... 24
Representative District .......... 82
Judicial Circuit .................. Toombs
Population 1980 US Census ......... 6,949

**Officers**
Judge of Probate .................... Alex E. Ferguson
Clerk ............................... T.B. Steed
Sheriff .............................. Bernard C. Danner
Tax Commissioner ................... D.T. Danner
Surveyor ............................ Vincent Hogan
Treasurer ........................... Robert Wilkes
Coroner ............................. E. Carlton Beggs
Commissioners ....................... Walker T. Norman, Chairman
                                J.A. Bentley
                                Talmadge Reed
                                Linda B. Penland, Clerk
School Superintendent .......... Randall Edmunds
Attorney ............................ Ben B. Ross
Long County

Created by Ga. L. 1920
Named for Crawford Williamson Long, MD, 1815-1878,
First physician to use surgical anesthesia.

County Seat ................................ Ludowici 31316
Area ................................ 402 square miles
Congressional District ....................... I
Senatorial District ................................ 4
Representative District .......................... 121
Judicial Circuit ................................ Atlantic
Population 1980 US Census .................... 4,524

Officers
Judge of Probate .................. Robert N. Milton
Clerk ................................ Harrell Manning
Sheriff ............................. Cecil Nobles
Tax Commissioner .............. Lillian G. Simmons
Surveyor ........................ Hugh M. Smiley
Coroner ............................ Sandra F. Burns
Commissioners ................. Lonnie L. Skeens, Chairman
Harold R. Deloach
Johnny R. Hodges
Darwel A. Long
DeWitt O. Middleton
Mary Ann Odum, Clerk

School Superintendent ........... William T. Owen
Attorney .............................. A. Rahn, III

Lowndes County

Created by Ga. L. 1825
Named for William Jones Lowndes, of S.C., c. 1781-1822.

County Seat ............................. Valdosta 31601
Area ................................ 508 square miles
Congressional District ....................... 2
Senatorial District ................................ 8
Representative Districts ............... 147, 148, 149
Judicial Circuit .......................... Southern
Population 1980 US Census ................... 67,972

Officers
Judge of Probate .................. T.N. Holcombe, Jr.
Clerk ................................. Sara L. Crow
Sheriff ................................ Robert Carter
Tax Commissioner ................ Paul Sumner
Coroner ............................... Harold T. Moore
Commissioners ........................ Fred DeLoach, Jr., Chairman
Harold R. Deloach
Johnny R. Hodges
Darwel A. Long
Kyle Zipperer
Inez M. Pendleton, Clerk

School Superintendent ............ Bill Sears
Attorney ................................. Oris Blackburn

Lumpkin County

Created by Ga. L. 1832
Named for Wilson Lumpkin, 1783-1870.

County Seat .......................... Dahlonega 30533
Area ................................ 292 square miles
Congressional District ....................... 9
Senatorial District .......................... 50
Representative District ..................... 4
Judicial Circuit .......................... Northeastern
Population 1980 US Census ................... 10,762

Officers
Judge of Probate .................. Ralph Jones
Clerk ................................. Edward E. Tucker
Sheriff ............................... Kenneth R. Seabolt
Tax Commissioner ............. F.M. Beck, Jr.
Coroner ............................... Forrest J. Sisk, Sr.
Commissioner ...................... J.B. Jones
School Superintendent ............ Ellen Holbrook, Clerk
Attorney .............................. Bobby Adams

Macon County

Created by Ga. L. 1837
Named for Nathaniel Macon of N.C., 1757-1837.

County Seat ............................ Oglethorpe 31068
Area ................................ 403 square miles
Congressional District ....................... 3
Senatorial District .......................... 14
Representative Districts ............... 98, 115
Judicial Circuit .......................... Southwestern
Population 1980 US Census ..................... 14,003

Officers
Judge of Probate ................. Myrna E. Cheek
Clerk ................................. Maude L. McKenzie
Sheriff ............................... Charles M. Cannon
Tax Commissioner ................ Virginia H. Hammock
Coroner .............................. Walton M. Mathews
Commissioners ............... J. Neal Bentley, Chairman
Woodrow D. Hobbs, Jr.
Marvin Joiner
Gene Lacy
John M. Luckie
Roselyn H. Starling, Clerk

School Superintendent ........... Jack L. Fokes, Sr.
Attorney ................................. Donald L. Lambeth

Madison County

Created by Ga. L. 1811
Named for James Madison of Virginia, 1751-1836,
President, USA.

County Seat .......................... Danielsville 30633
Area ................................ 281 square miles
Congressional District ....................... 10
Senatorial District ................................ 47
Representative Districts ............... 13, 14
Judicial Circuit .......................... Northern
Population 1980 US Census .................... 17,747

Officers
Judge of Probate ................. Donald Royston
Clerk ................................. Syble E. Sheets
Sheriff ............................... Jack D. Fortson
Tax Commissioner ............. Loutrelle C. Hutchins
Surveyor .............................. John H. Wood, Jr.
Coroner ............................... Robert L. Lord
Commissioners .......... Vincent J. Hix, Chairman
Virginia Langford Carey
G.A. Hart
Carolyn K. Bagwell, Clerk

School Superintendent ............ Jim Perkins
Attorney ................................. Pat Graham

Marion County

Created by Ga. L. 1827
Named for Francis Marion of S.C., 1732-1795.

County Seat .......................... Buena Vista 31803
Area ................................ 365 square miles
Congressional District ....................... 3
Senatorial District ................................ 16
Representative District ..................... 112
Judicial Circuit .......................... Chattahoochee
Population 1980 US Census ..................... 5,297
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                      J. Harry Collins
                      Ralph Collins
                      M. Howard Davis
                      Charles Lodge
                      Delena B. Davidson, Clerk
School Superintendent ........ Charles Stripling
Attorney ....................... Jack G. Glover

Monroe County
Created by Ga. L. 1821
Named for James Monroe, 1758-1821,
Governor of Virginia, President, USA.
County Seat ...................... Forsyth 31029
Area ............................. 398 square miles
Congressional District ........... 8
Senateorial District ................ 27
Representative District ........... 80
Judicial Circuit .................. Flint

Officers
Judge of Probate .................. J. Ben Spear, Jr.
Clerk ................................ Geraldine G. Ham
Sheriff ............................. Cary Bittick
Tax Commissioner ................. Ella J. Weldon
Surveyor ........................... Hugh Mercer, Jr.
Coroner ........................... Andrew A. Dillon
Commissioners .................... Robert M. Williams, Chairman
                                      Linda M. Arthur
                                      Thomas H. Wilson
                                      Richard E. Davis, Clerk
School Superintendent ............. Charles E. Dumas
Attorney ........................... Kenneth Waldrop

Montgomery County
Created by Ga. L. 1793
Named for Richard Montgomery, 1736-1775.
County Seat ...................... Mount Vernon 30445
Area ............................. 237 square miles
Congressional District ........... 1
Senateorial District ............... 20
Representative District ........... 120
Judicial Circuit .................. Oconee

Officers
Judge of Probate .................. Gary Braddy
Clerk ................................ Dwight Newsome
Sheriff ............................. Jim Higgs
Tax Commissioner ................. Lawana M. Sharpe
Coroner ........................... Lewis Palmer
Commissioners .................... Julian J. Warnock, Chairman
                                      Willie Cauley
                                      David Collins
                                      Johnny W. Corley
                                      Don Thigpen
                                      Juanita F. Henry, Clerk
School Superintendent ............. Jim Paul Poole
Attorney ........................... Malcolm F. Bryant, Jr.
Newton County
Created by Ga. L. 1821
Named for John Newton of S.C.
County Seat .......... Covington 30209
Area .................... 271 square miles
Congressional District .......... 4
Senatorial District .............. 45
Representative Districts . 66, 74
Judicial Circuit ............... Alcovy
Population 1980 US Census ....... 34,489
Officers
Judge of Probate ............ Henry Baker
Clerk ..................... Linda Hays
Sheriff .................... Gerald D. Malcolm
Tax Commissioner .......... Carol B. Mitchell
Coroner ................... Sam Cowan
Commissioners .......... Roy L. Varner, Chairman
Bob Bates
Harold Cobb
Franklin Gray
Jerry Prosser
Billy S. Smith
A.T. Stubbs, Clerk
School Superintendent ....... Richard Schneider
Attorney ................ E.H. Polleys, Jr.

Oconee County
Created by Ga. L. 1875
Named for Oconee River.
County Seat .......... Watkinsville 30677
Area .................... 186 square miles
Congressional District .......... 10
Senatorial District .................. 46
Representative District .............. 66
Judicial Circuit .............. Western
Population 1980 US Census ........... 12,427
Officers
Judge of Probate ............ Mrs. Herbert M. Hammond
Clerk ..................... Sandra C. Glass
Sheriff .................... Charles H. Holcomb
Tax Commissioner .......... Harriette M. Browning
Coroner ................... Carol B. Mitchell
Commissioners .......... Roy L. Varner, Chairman
Bob Bates
Harold Cobb
Franklin Gray
Jerry Prosser
Billy S. Smith
A.T. Stubbs, Clerk
School Superintendent ....... Richard Schneider
Attorney ................ E.H. Polleys, Jr.

Paulding County
Created by Ga. L. 1832
Named for John Paulding of New York, 1759-1818.
County Seat .......... Dallas 30132
Area .................... 318 square miles
Congressional District .......... 6
Senatorial District .............. 31
Representative Districts . 18, 41
Judicial Circuit .............. Tallapoosa
Population 1980 US Census ........... 26,042
Officers
Judge of Probate ............ Betty Johns
Clerk ..................... Sylvia G. Strickland
Sheriff .................... W.L. Forsyth
Tax Commissioner .......... James D. Watts
Surveyor .................. Cecil R. Kelly
Coroner ................... Jeff Eberhart
Commissioners .......... Donald C. Watson, Chairman
Jack M. Hart, Sr.
Bobby Hollis
Charles M. Cole, Clerk
School Superintendent ....... Jean C. Silbaugh
Attorney .................. Tommy Craig

Peach County
Created by Ga. L. 1924
Named for the Georgia peach.
County Seat .......... Fort Valley 31030
Area .................... 151 square miles
Congressional District .......... 3
Senatorial District .............. 14
Representative District .......... 98
Judicial Circuit .............. Macon
Population 1980 US Census ........... 19,151
Officers
Judge of Probate ............ John W. Smisson
Clerk ..................... Joe E. Davidson
Sheriff .................... Johnnie V. Becham
Tax Commissioner .......... Dwight S. Byrd
Coroner ................... J.W. Poole
Commissioners .......... H.W. Peavy, Jr., Chairman
W.L. Brown
David Carter
J.D. Doles
Annie Alridge Rumph
Thomas J. Franklin, Clerk
School Superintendent ....... Ernest R. Anderson
Attorney .................. Sampson M. Culpepper
Pickens County
Created by Ga. L. 1853
Named for Andrew Pickens of S.C., 1739-1817.
County Seat .................................. Jasper 30143
Area ........................................ 225 square miles
Congressional District .......................... 9
Senatorial District ............................... 51
Representative District .......................... 8
Judicial Circuit ................................ Appalachian

Officers
Judge of Probate ............................... D. Rodney Gibson
Clerk ......................................... Mildred C. Mullinax
Sheriff ....................................... Billy P. Wofford
Tax Commissioner ............................ Hobert W. Mullins
Surveyor ...................................... Charles H. Carver
Coroner ........................................ J.G. Chapman
Commissioner ................................. Fred K. Stancil, Jr.
............................................ Sharon Troglin, Clerk
School Superintendent ....................... Glenn Anderson
Attorney ...................................... Elizabeth R. Glazebrook

Pierce County
Created by Ga. L. 1857
Named for Franklin Pierce, of N.H., 1804-69, President, USA.
County Seat .................................. Blackshear 31516
Area ........................................ 342 square miles
Congressional District .......................... 8
Senatorial District ............................... 6
Representative District .......................... 152
Judicial Circuit ................................ Waycross
Population 1980 US Census ....................... 11,897

Officers
Judge of Probate ............................... Mildred Youmans
Clerk ......................................... W.T. DeLoach
Sheriff ....................................... Noah J. Strickland
Tax Receiver .................................. Thomas H. Roberts
Tax Collector .................................. Gerod Crawford
Surveyor ...................................... Lavone Herrin
Coroner ........................................ James P. Hunter
Commissioner ................................. Forrest W. Sweat, Chairman
............................................. Mitchell Bowen
............................................. Loran C. Tuten
............................................. Marlene T. Dowling, Clerk
School Superintendent ....................... Edward Drawdy
Attorney ...................................... Carroll Russell

Pike County
Created by Ga. L. 1822
Named for Zebulon Montgomery Pike, 1778-1813, Explorer.
Pikes Peak in Colorado is named for him.
County Seat .................................. Zebulon 30295
Area ........................................ 230 square miles
Congressional District .......................... 3
Senatorial District ............................... 28
Representative Districts ......................... 75, 79
Judicial Circuit ................................ Griffin
Population 1980 US Census ....................... 8,937

Officers
Judge of Probate ............................... Grover H. Anderson
Clerk ......................................... Shi Holmes
Sheriff ....................................... William M. Riggins
Tax Commissioner ............................ John C. Reid
Coroner ........................................ Elmer E. Dailey
Commissioners ................................. Monroe Pilkenton, Chairman

Polk County
Created by Ga. L. 1851
Named for James Knox Polk, 1795-1849, Governor of Tennessee.
County Seat .................................. Cedartown 30125
Area ........................................ 312 square miles
Congressional District .......................... 6
Senatorial District ............................... 31
Representative Districts ......................... 17, 18
Judicial Circuit ................................ Tallapoosa
Population 1980 US Census ....................... 32,386

Officers
Judge of Probate ............................... Roger Vincent
Clerk ......................................... Sandra W. Galloway
Sheriff ....................................... Seals W. Swafford
Tax Commissioner ............................ James P. Mobley
Surveyor ...................................... Elbert Angel
Coroner ........................................ James A. Sanders
Commissioners ................................. Preston Whitman, Chairman
............................................. Thomas L. Cagle
............................................. Charles Kinney, Jr.
............................................. Frank Lott
............................................. John Redding
............................................. H. Don Williams
............................................. Jerry J. McDowell, Clerk
School Superintendent ....................... Robert Thomas Guillebeau
Attorney ...................................... Wayne W. Gammon

Pulaski County
Created by Ga. L. 1808
Named for Count Casimir Pulaski of Poland.
County Seat .................................. Hawkinsville 31036
Area ........................................ 253 square miles
Congressional District .......................... 3
Senatorial District ............................... 19
Representative District .......................... 117
Judicial Circuit ................................ Oconee
Population 1980 US Census ....................... 8,950

Officers
Judge of Probate ............................... Dora C. Watson
Clerk ......................................... Woodson Daniel
Sheriff ....................................... Jerry Lancaster
Tax Commissioner ............................. Mrs. Charles L. Woods
Surveyor ...................................... David M. Hammock
Coroner ........................................ Eschol Wright
Commissioner ................................. John Henry Anderson, Jr.
............................................. Barbara Hawkins, Clerk
School Superintendent ....................... Jim M. Love
Attorney ...................................... J. Johnson Hall

Putnam County
Created by Ga. L. 1807
Named for Israel Putnam, 1718-1790.
County Seat .................................. Eatonton 31024
Area ........................................ 339 square miles
Congressional District .......................... 8
Senatorial District ............................... 25
Representative District .......................... 106
Judicial Circuit ................................ Ocmulgee
Quintman County

Created by Ga. L. 1858
Named for John Anthony Quitman of Mississippi, 1799-1858.

County Seat ................. Georgetown 31754
Area .......................... 156 square miles
Congressional District ...... 2
Senatorial District .......... 11
Representative District ..... 130
Judicial Circuit ............. Pataula
Population 1980 US Census ...... 2,357

Officers
Judge of Probate ............... Robert A. Ellis
Clerk .......................... Peggy J. Sparks
Sheriff ......................... T.L. Balkcom, III
Tax Commissioner .............. Theresa D. Balkcom
Coroner ......................... George W. Ellis
Commissioners ............... H.L. Balkcom, Jr., Chairman
G.D. Arrington
Harry Clance
Henry Herrington
Tommie L. Kendrick
Blanche Jones, Clerk

School Superintendent .......... James J. Gary, Jr.
Attorney ....................... James E. Friese

Randolph County

Created by Ga. L. 1828
Named for John Randolph of Virginia, 1773-1833.

County Seat .................. Cuthbert 31740
Area .......................... 436 square miles
Congressional District ...... 2
Senatorial District .......... 11
Representative District ..... 130
Judicial Circuit ............. Pataula
Population 1980 US Census ...... 9,599

Officers
Judge of Probate ............... A.W. Palmer
Clerk .......................... Wynelle P. Wood
Sheriff ......................... Thomas E. Faircloth
Tax Commissioner .............. F.E. Whaley
Surveyor ........................ Bryson H. Langford, Jr.
Coroner ........................ Ben F. Lunsford
Commissioners ................. R.W. Moore, Chairman
J.T. Bruner
David L. Jackson
Bobby Lamb
Norman Lumpkin
Debbie L. Devane, Clerk

School Superintendent .......... Kathryn G. Hardwick
Attorney ....................... Jesse G. Bowles, III

Richmond County

Created by Constitution of Feb. 5, 1777

County Seat .................. Augusta 30903
Area .......................... 323 square miles
Congressional District ...... 10
Senatorial Districts .......... 22-23
Representative Districts ..... 85-90
Judicial Circuit ............. Augusta
Population 1980 US Census ...... 181,629

Officers
Judge of Probate ............... Iree W. Pope
Clerk .......................... Lester Newsome
Sheriff ......................... Charles B. Webster
Tax Commissioner .............. Jerry Saul
Coroner ........................ Marvin T. Woodward
Commissioners ............... Jack Miles, Chairman
Larry B. Colet
Jack Padgett, Jr.
Tom Tilney
Bill Williams
Dayton L. Sherrouse, Clerk

School Superintendent .......... Dr. John P. Strelec
Attorney ....................... Robert C. Daniel, Jr.

Rabun County

Created by Ga. L. 1819
Named for William Rabun, 1771-1819, Governor of Georgia.

County Seat .................. Clayton 30525
Area .......................... 368 square miles
Congressional District ...... 9
Senatorial District .......... 50
Representative District ..... 4
Judicial District ............. Mountain
Population 1980 US Census ...... 10,466

Officers
Judge of Probate ............... Robert H. Vickers
Clerk .......................... Joe Jarrard
Sheriff ......................... Chester J. York
Tax Commissioner .............. Icie G. Hamilton
Surveyor ........................ T. Lamar Edwards
Commissioners ............... Virgil P. Ledford, Chairman
Richard J. Turner, M.D.
Max W. Watts
Marilyn Rogers, Clerk

School Superintendent .......... James T. Burden
Attorney ....................... Bruce Russell

Rockdale County

Created by Ga. L. 1870
So named because of a vein of rock located throughout the County.

County Seat .................. Conyers 30207
Area .......................... 128 square miles
Congressional District ...... 4
Senatorial District .......... 45
Representative District ..... 57
Judicial Circuit ............. Rockdale
Population 1980 US Census ...... 36,747

Officers
Judge of Probate ............... J.T. Chambers
Clerk ........................................ Jenette C. Farmer
Sheriff ......................................... Vic Davis
Tax Commissioner ............................ Ray Singleton
Coroner ........................................... Charles S. Smith, Jr., Chairman
Commissioners ................................. Wayne Ingle
Sarah R. Alexander, Executive Asst.
School Superintendent ...................... Don Joiner
Attorney ......................................... Sidney Nation

**Schley County**

Created by Ga. L. 1857
Named for William Schley, 1786-1858, Governor of Georgia.

County Seat .................................. Ellaville 31806
Area .................................................. 162 square miles
Congressional District ....................... 3
Senatorial District ................................ 14
Representative District ...................... 112
Judicial Circuit .................................. Southwestern
Population 1980 US Census ................... 3,433

**Officers**

Judge of Probate ................................. Hinton M. Hambrick
Clerk .................................................. Ginger G. Eubanks
Sheriff ................................................ W.M. Ellis
Tax Commissioner .............................. Rufus Peede
Coroner ............................................. Robert Pilcher
Commissioners ................................. W.D. McCorkle, Chairman
Hugh P. Flynt
Lamar Jordan
Emogene O. McLendon
T.H. Stevens
Frances H. Hunter, Clerk
School Superintendent ....................... Arthur T. Miller
Attorney ............................................ William E. Smith

**Screven County**

Created by Ga. L. 1793
Named for James Screven, died in 1778 in the Battle of Midway.

County Seat .................................... Sylvania 30467
Area .................................................. 651 square miles
Congressional District ....................... 1
Senatorial District ................................ 21
Representative Districts ..................... 110, 111
Judicial Circuit .................................. Ogeechee
Population 1980 US Census ................... 14,043

**Officers**

Judge of Probate ................................. Lorin S. Stegins
Clerk .................................................. Edith B. Pullen
Sheriff .............................................. George F. Bazemore
Tax Commissioner .............................. Waldene W. Pye
Coroner ............................................. Jimmy D. Nunnally
Commissioners ................................. L.C. Oliver, Sr., Chairman
Robert L. Frutticher
P.W. Harrison
C.B. Kurlic, Sr.
O.L. Laricy
Patsy B. Moore, Clerk
School Superintendent ....................... John A. Mills, III
Attorney ............................................ Harry H. Hunter

**Seminole County**

Created by Ga. L. 1920
Named for the Seminole Indians.

County Seat .................................... Donalsonville 31745
Area .................................................. 246 square miles
Congressional District ....................... 2
Senatorial District ................................ 11
Representative District ....................... 141
Judicial Circuit .................................. Pataula
Population 1980 US Census ................... 9,057

**Officers**

Judge of Probate ................................. J.E. Earnest
Clerk .................................................. Bobby Nichols
Sheriff .............................................. Jerry Godby
Tax Commissioner .............................. William Arden Parker
Treasurer .......................................... Eunyce M. Lee
Coroner ............................................. Paul Mosely
Commissioners ................................. Jack Brannon, Chairman
Bob Dutton
Lenward Eubanks
Philip Hornsby
Donald E. Moore
Louise Alday, Clerk
School Superintendent ....................... Jesse McCleod
Attorney ............................................. Kenneth L. Hornsby

**Spalding County**

Created by Ga. L. 1851
Named for Thomas Spalding, 1774-1851.

County Seat ..................................... Griffin 30223
Area .................................................. 201 square miles
Congressional District ....................... 6
Senatorial District ................................ 28
Representative District ...................... 75, 76
Judicial Circuit .................................. Griffin
Population 1980 US Census ................... 47,899

**Officers**

Judge of Probate ................................. John E. Snider
Clerk .................................................. John R. Lindsey, II
Sheriff .............................................. James C. Freeman
Tax Commissioner .............................. Jeanie S. Mulling
Coroner ............................................. Emmett F. Chappell
Commissioners ................................. Ruth G. Martin, Chairman
Irbin S. Bailey, Jr.
Jim Goolsby
Maureen C. Jackson, Clerk
School Superintendent ....................... Dr. Charles H. Greene
Attorney ............................................ J.C. Owen, Jr.

**Stephens County**

Created by Ga. L. 1805
Named for Alexander Hamilton Stephens, 1812-1883, Vice President, C.S.A., Governor of Georgia.

County Seat ..................................... Toccoa 30577
Area .................................................. 173 square miles
Congressional District ....................... 9
Senatorial District ................................ 47
Representative District ...................... 11
Judicial Circuit .................................. Mountain
Population 1980 US Census ................... 21,763

**Officers**

Judge of Probate ................................. Maudaine Charles
Clerk .................................................. Otto Roberts
Sheriff .............................................. Don Shirley
Tax Commissioner .............................. Vickie Whithworth
Coroner ............................................. Ray Willis
Commissioners ................................. Bethel Crunkleton, Chairman
Jeanette Jamieson
Evatt Thomason
Nancy Downs, Clerk
Stewart County

Created by Ga. L. 1830
Named for Daniel Stewart, 1762-1831.

County Seat .................................. Lumpkin 31815
Area ........................................... 453 square miles
Congressional District ....................... 2
Senatorial District ............................. 11
Representative District ...................... 130
Judicial Circuit ............................... Southwestern
Population 1980 US Census .................... 5,896

Officers
Judge of Probate ............................... Jimmy B. Brazier
Clerk ............................................ Jerry E. Kelley
Sheriff ........................................... Albert Grimes
Tax Commissioner ............................. Snooky Holloway
Surveyor ......................................... Jimmy French
Coroner .......................................... John F. Horn
Commissioner ................................... Rosemary P. Barbaree, Clerk
School Superintendent ....................... Benjamin W. Mayo
Attorney ........................................... Jesse Dubose

Sumter County

Created by Ga. L. 1831
Named for Thomas Sumter of South Carolina, 1734-1832.

County Seat ..................................... Americus 31709
Area ............................................. 488 square miles
Congressional District ....................... 3
Senatorial District ............................. 14
Representative District ...................... 116
Judicial Circuit ............................... Southwestern

Officers
Judge of Probate ............................... Sue R. Smith
Clerk ............................................. Betty S. Shattles
Sheriff ........................................... Randy Howard
Tax Commissioner ............................. Frank Belcher
Treasurer ......................................... Barbara S. McCarty
Coroner .......................................... James Aldridge
Commissioners ................................. W.W. Ferguson, Chairman
                                       J. Wade Halstead
                                       David A. Jennings
                                       Arthur Pless
                                       Johnny Taylor
                                       Barbara S. McCarty, Clerk
School Superintendent ....................... Ronnie Satterfield
Attorney .......................................... Ellis, Easterlin & Peagler

Talbot County

Created by Ga. L. 1827
Named for Matthew Talbot, 1767-1827, Governor of Georgia.

County Seat .................................... Talbotton 31827
Area ............................................. 390 square miles
Congressional District ....................... 3
Senatorial District ............................. 16
Representative District ...................... 91
Judicial Circuit ............................... Chattahoochee
Population 1980 US Census .................... 6,536

Officers
Judge of Probate ............................... Joe S. Johnson
Clerk ............................................. Mrs. Leonard Parker, Jr.
Sheriff ........................................... John W. Johnson
Tax Commissioner ............................. Harvey Buckner
Coroner .......................................... Robert M. Gibson
Commissioners ................................. Freeman Montgomery, Chairman
                                       Eddie B. Bassett, Jr.
                                       William Huff, III
                                       Dorothy C. Self, Clerk
School Superintendent ....................... John R. Terry
Attorney .......................................... Houser Pugh

Taliaferro County

Created by Ga.L. 1825
Named for Benjamin Taliaferro, 1750-1821.

County Seat .................................... Crawfordville 30631
Area ............................................. 195 square miles
Congressional District ....................... 8
Senatorial District ............................. 24
Representative District ...................... 91
Judicial Circuit ............................... Toombs
Population 1980 US Census .................... 2,032

Officers
Judge of Probate ............................... Sybil K. Stewart
Clerk ............................................. Mary R. Darden
Sheriff ........................................... Dorsey C. Combs
Tax Commissioner ............................. Betty N. Summers
Coroner .......................................... Frank Miller
Commissioners ................................. Henry G. Moore, Jr., Chairman
                                       Jesse L. Brown
                                       George A. Fambrough
                                       Josie Bird, Clerk
School Superintendent ....................... Lola H. Williams
Attorney .......................................... Albert H. Dallas

Tattnall County

Created by Ga. L. 1801
Named for Josiah Tattnall, 1765-1803, Governor of Georgia.

County Seat ................................... Reidsville 30453
Area ............................................. 490 square miles
Congressional District ....................... 1
Senatorial District ............................. 4
Representative District ...................... 121
Judicial Circuit ............................... Atlantic
Population 1980 US Census .................... 18,134

Officers
Judge of Probate ............................... Sharon J. McCall
Clerk ............................................. Billie K. Rewis
Sheriff ........................................... Romie Waters
Tax Commissioner ............................. Don P. Cobb
Coroner .......................................... Jerry I. Waters
Commissioners ................................. Cecil M. Tootle, Chairman
                                       Dan Alexander
                                       Foch Brewton
                                       J.E. Stanfield
                                       John C. Tatum, Jr.
                                       Faye F. Hussey, Clerk
School Superintendent ....................... Ben F. Sikes
Attorney .......................................... M. Francis Stubbs

Taylor County

Created Ga. L. 1852
Named for Zachary Taylor of Virginia, 1784-1850, President of USA.

County Seat ................................... Butler 31006
Area ............................................. 403 square miles
Congressional District ................................ 3  
Senatorial District .................................. 14  
Representative District ........................... 112  
Judicial Circuit .................................. Chattahoochee  
Population 1980 US Census ..................... 7,902

Officers  
Judge of Probate ................................. Ronnie A. Parker  
Clerk ........................................ Maxlyn Williamson  
Sheriff ....................................... Nick E. Giles  
Tax Commissioner ......................... William H. Neisler  
Surveyor ..................................... B. Woodfin Hinton  
Coroner ....................................... R. Carroll Peacock  
Commissioners ................................. Murray Jarrell, Chairman  
Johny J. Neely, Jr.  
Edward Wainwright  
Debra Bone, Clerk  
School Superintendent .................. Norman Carter  
Attorney .................................. Alex Davis

Telfair County  
Created by Ga. L. 1807  
Named for Edward Telfair, 1735-1807, 
Governor of Georgia.  
County Seat .................................... McRae 31055  
Area ............................................ 440 square miles  
Congressional District ......................... 8  
Senatorial District ................................ 19  
Representative Districts ....................... 118, 137  
Judicial Circuit ................................ Oconee  

Officers  
Judge of Probate ................................. Charlie B. Thomas  
Clerk ............................................. Billy Routh  
Sheriff ............................................ Jack M. Walker  
Tax Commissioner ......................... James A. Campbell  
Surveyor ......................................... Grady Boney  
Coroner ............................................ R.L. Dixon  
Commissioner ...................................... Gene Williams  
Jo Anne Teate, Clerk  
School Superintendent .................. June D. Bradfield  
Attorney ............................................ Billy W. Walker

Terrell County  
Created by Ga. L. 1856  
Named for William Terrell, MD., 1778-1855.  
County Seat ...................................... Dawson 31742  
Area ............................................. 329 square miles  
Congressional District ......................... 2  
Senatorial District ................................ 14  
Representative District ....................... 131  
Judicial Circuit .................................. Pataula  
Population 1980 US Census ...................... 12,017

Officers  
Judge of Probate ................................. Betty E. Wise  
Clerk ............................................. Eleanor T. Hinson  
Sheriff ............................................ Gerald W. Dean  
Tax Commissioner ......................... Peggy H. Pritchard  
Treasurer ....................................... Phonso E. Donaldson  
Coroner ............................................ Charles Lee  
Commissioners ................................. Wilbur T. Gamble, Chairman  
Madison Faust  
Don Foster  
Lawrence Green  
Margaret W. Stillner  
Jewel C. Kearby, Clerk  
School Superintendent .................. Richard Barry  
Attorney ............................................ Robert Phillips

Toombs County  
Created by Ga. L. 1825  
Named for Jett Thomas, 1776-1817.  
County Seat .................................... Thomasville 31792  
Area ............................................. 541 square miles  
Congressional District ......................... 2  
Senatorial District ................................ 10  
Representative Districts .................... 142, 143, 144  
Judicial Circuit .................................. Southern  
Population 1980 US Census ..................... 38,098

Officers  
Judge of Probate ................................. Sally H. Hart  
Clerk ........................................ ..... David Hutchings, Jr.  
Sheriff ............................................. R. Carlton Powell  
Tax Commissioner ....................... Margaret S. Hilliard  
Surveyor ............................................ Frank E. Carlton  
Coroner ............................................ Samuel A. Brown  
Commissioners ................................. John D. Bulloch, Chairman  
J.W. Blanton  
Joe D. Fallin  
Clyde A. Griffin  
F.V. Hancock  
Ellijah Hill, Jr.  
James R. Hines  
W.A. Morris  
Ruth M. Jones, Clerk  
School Superintendent .................. Dr. Terrell M. Solana  
Attorney ............................................ Stephen Andrews

Tift County  
Created by Ga. L. 1905  
Named for Nelson Tift, 1810-1891.  
County Seat .................................... Tifton 31794  
Area ............................................. 266 square miles  
Congressional District ......................... 2  
Senatorial District ................................ 7  
Representative Districts .................... 138, 146  
Judicial Circuit .................................. Tifton  
Population 1980 US Census ..................... 32,862

Officers  
Judge of Probate ................................. Betty C. Hill  
Clerk ............................................. John Lindsey  
Sheriff ............................................ Edd Walker  
Tax Commissioner ....................... Kitty Cawley  
Surveyor ......................................... James H. Hampton  
Coroner ............................................ W. Walker Patten  
Commissioners ................................. Charles Kent, Chairman  
Ronald O. Brownlee  
Linda Hill  
Jimmy Taylor  
Ray Taylor  
Imogene U. Register, Clerk  
School Superintendent .................. Dr. Terrell M. Solana  
Attorney ............................................ C.E. McCray

Thomas County  
Created by Ga. L. 1825  
Named for Robert Augusta Toombs, 1810-85,  
Secretary of State, CSA.  
County Seat .................................... Lyons 30436  
Area ............................................. 368 square miles  
Congressional District ......................... 1  
Senatorial District ................................ 20  
Representative Districts .................... 120, 153  
Judicial Circuit .................................. Middle  

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Officers
Judge of Probate ..................... Mrs. A.L. Hussey
Clerk ................................ Chess Fountain
Sheriff ............................... Charles W. Durst
Tax Commissioner .................... Alex Odom
Surveyor ............................. John E. Dykes
Coroner .............................. Mandel Edenfield
Commissioners .......................... Mell Taylor, Chairman
                                  O.C. Howell
                                  Jewell Van Lewis
                                  Matthew W. Oxley
                                  Mary Baker Rice
                                  Chris Humphrey, Clerk
School Superintendent ............. Johnny Mack Conner
Attorney ............................. Ben P. Jackson, Jr.

Towns County
Created by Ga. L. 1856
Named for George Washington Bonaparte Towns, 1801-1854,
Governor of Georgia.
County Seat .......................... Hiawassee 30546
Area .................................. 166 square miles
Congressional District .............. 9
Senatorial District .................. 50
Representative District ............. 4
Judicial Circuit ........................ Mountain
Population 1980 US Census ........... 5,638

Officers
Judge of Probate .................... Truman Barrett
Clerk ................................ Virginia Cunningham
Tax Receiver .......................... J.D. Stephens
Tax Collector .......................... Ervin Johnson
Treasurer ............................. Tom Flanagan
Surveyor ............................. Bernard Gregory
Coroner .............................. John W. Acree
Commissioner ........................ Judge, Probate Court acts as
                                  Betty Stroud, Clerk
School Superintendent ............. Bill Kendall
Attorney ............................. Lawrence Sorgen

Troup County
Created by Ga. L. 1825; Ga. L. 1826
Named for George Michael Troup, 1780-1856,
Governor of Georgia.
County Seat .......................... LaGrange 30240
Area .................................. 415 square miles
Congressional District .............. 3
Senatorial District .................. 29
Representative District ............. 77, 81
Judicial Circuit ........................ Coweta
Population 1980 US Census ........... 50,003

Officers
Judge of Probate ..................... J. Ely Hanson, Sr.
Clerk ................................ Elizabeth W. Trawley
Sheriff ............................... Elton E. Jones
Tax Commissioner .................... Ellis C. Smith
Coroner .............................. L. Gwen Prescott
Commissioners ........................ Hawley Smith, Chairman,
                                  Richard English
                                  Marvin Jones
                                  Roger Parmer
                                  C. Frank Taylor
                                  Lurie R. Cook, Clerk
School Superintendent ............. Otis J. Abernathy
Attorney ............................. Jerry Willis

Twiggs County
Created by Ga. L. 1809
Named for John Twiggs, 1750-1816.
County Seat .......................... Jeffersonville 31044
Area .................................. 364 square miles
Congressional District .............. 8
Senatorial District .................. 18
Representative District ............. 104
Judicial Circuit ........................ Dublin
Population 1980 US Census ........... 9,354

Officers
Judge of Probate ..................... David F. Crenshaw
Clerk ................................ Patti H. Grimsley
Sheriff ............................... W. Earl Hamrick
Tax Commissioner .................... E. Walton Nesmith
Coroner .............................. Vernon Pope

Troup County
Created by Ga. L. 1825; Ga. L. 1826
Named for George Washington Bonaparte Towns, 1801-1854,
Governor of Georgia.
County Seat .......................... Hiawassee 30546
Area .................................. 166 square miles
Congressional District .............. 9
Senatorial District .................. 50
Representative District ............. 4
Judicial Circuit ........................ Mountain
Population 1980 US Census ........... 5,638

Officers
Judge of Probate .................... Truman Barrett
Clerk ................................ Virginia Cunningham
Tax Receiver .......................... J.D. Stephens
Tax Collector .......................... Ervin Johnson
Treasurer ............................. Tom Flanagan
Surveyor ............................. Bernard Gregory
Coroner .............................. John W. Acree
Commissioner ........................ Judge, Probate Court acts as
                                  Betty Stroud, Clerk
School Superintendent ............. Bill Kendall
Attorney ............................. Lawrence Sorgen

Troup County
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Named for George Michael Troup, 1780-1856,
Governor of Georgia.
County Seat .......................... LaGrange 30240
Area .................................. 415 square miles
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Senatorial District .................. 29
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Judicial Circuit ........................ Coweta
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School Superintendent ............. Otis J. Abernathy
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Tax Commissioner .................... E. Walton Nesmith
Coroner .............................. Vernon Pope

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Commissioners .................. Millard Hendricks, Chairman
                                William M. Bond
                                Gary Nobles
                                Donald C. Watson
                                Faye S. Allen, Clerk
School Superintendent .................. Charles W. Kelly
Attorney .......................... Elizabeth Francisco

Union County
Created by Ga. L. 1832
Named for The Union.
County Seat .................. Blairsville 30512
Area .......................... 309 square miles
Congressional District ............... 9
Senatorial District .................. 50
Representative District ............... 4
Judicial Circuit ................. Mountain
Population 1980 US Census .......... 9,390

Officers
Judge of Probate .................. Wayne E. Colwell
Clerk .......................... Glen Gooch
Sheriff .......................... Harlan Duncan
Tax Commissioner .................. J.W. Payne
Treasurer .......................... Bill J. Dyer
Surveyor .......................... Jack Stanley
Coroner .......................... Pat Atkins
Commissioner .......................... Judge, Probate Court acts as
                                    Janie M. Beavers, Clerk
School Superintendent .................. Earl Odom
Attorney .......................... Hugh W. Stone

Walton County
Created by Ga. L. 1818
Named for George Walton, 1749-1804,
Governor of Georgia,
Signer, Declaration of Independence.
County Seat .................. Monroe 30655
Area .......................... 330 square miles
Congressional District ............... 10
Senatorial District .................. 45
Representative District ............... 65
Judicial Circuit ................. Alcovy

Officers
Judge of Probate .................. Greg Adams
Clerk .......................... Thomas S. Batchelor
Sheriff .......................... Franklin Thornton
Tax Commissioner .................. Peggy T. Byrd
Surveyor .......................... William J. Gregg
Coroner .......................... Joyce C. Rowe
Commissioners .................. Robert M. Hawk, Chairman
                              Bennie Ray Anderson
                              Lamar Thomas Atha
                              James William Burson
                              Eddie Neal Byrd
                              Vickie M. Gasaway, Clerk
School Superintendent .................. Joe B. Bradley
Attorney .......................... George J. Hearn, III

Ware County
Created by Ga. L. 1824
Named for Nicholas Ware, 1769-1824.
County Seat .................. Waycross 31501
Area .......................... 912 square miles
Congressional District .......... 150, 151
Senatorial District ............... 8
Representative District ............... 7
Judicial Circuit ................. Waycross

Officers
Judge of Probate .................. Naomi T. Strickland
Clerk .......................... Betty B. Kennedy
Sheriff .......................... Herbert E. Bond
Tax Commissioner .................. Raymond Gillis
Treasurer .......................... W.C. Coggin
Surveyor .......................... Franklin Miles
Coroner .......................... Homer C. Moore
Commissioners .................. Tommy Gray, Chairman
                              Reavis E. Dixon
                              E.M. Everett
                              W. Vincent Settle, III
                              Harry M. Thrift
                              Gail D. Revels, Clerk
School Superintendent .................. Richard B. Young
Attorney .......................... J. Baker McGee

Walker County
Created by Ga. L. 1833
Named for Freeman Walker, 1780-1827.
County Seat .................. LaFayette 30728
Area .......................... 445 square miles
Congressional District .......... 7
Senatorial District ............... 53
Representative District ............... 1
Judicial Circuit ................. Lookout Mountain

Officers
Judge of Probate .................. W.L. Abney
Clerk .......................... Bill McDaniel
Sheriff .......................... Ralph H. Jones
Tax Commissioner .................. Ralph W. Aiken
Surveyor .......................... Charles D. Wardlaw
Coroner .......................... W.E. McGill
Commissioner .................. Roy E. Parrish, Jr.
                              Faye W. Shankles, Clerk
School Superintendent .................. N.M. Epperson, Jr.
Attorney .......................... Norman Fletcher

Upson County
Created by Ga. L. 1824
Named for Stephen Upson 1785-1824.
County Seat .................. Thomaston 30286
Area .......................... 334 square miles
Congressional District .......... 3
Senatorial District ............... 27
Representative District ............... 79
Judicial Circuit ................. Griffin

Officers
Judge of Probate .................. Virgil L. Hamby
Clerk .......................... Edward Trice
Sheriff .......................... Merrill Greathouse
Tax Commissioner .................. Charles Gordy
Surveyor .......................... J. Harold Smith
Coroner .......................... Danny D. Brown
Commissioners .................. Irvin Hendricks, Chairman
                               J.C. Ellerbee, Jr.
                               Lincoln Reeves
                               Gertrude L. Taylor, Clerk
School Superintendent .................. Lynn Bates
Attorney .......................... Bridges, Connel & Snow

Ware County
Created by Ga. L. 1824
Named for Nicholas Ware, 1769-1824.
County Seat .................. Waycross 31501
Area .......................... 912 square miles
Congressional District .......... 150, 151
Senatorial District ............... 8
Representative District ............... 7
Judicial Circuit ................. Waycross

Officers
Judge of Probate .................. Naomi T. Strickland
Clerk .......................... Betty B. Kennedy
Sheriff .......................... Herbert E. Bond
Tax Commissioner .................. Raymond Gillis
Treasurer .......................... W.C. Coggin
Surveyor .......................... Franklin Miles
Coroner .......................... Homer C. Moore
Commissioners .................. Tommy Gray, Chairman
                              Reavis E. Dixon
                              E.M. Everett
                              W. Vincent Settle, III
                              Harry M. Thrift
                              Gail D. Revels, Clerk
School Superintendent .................. Richard B. Young
Attorney .......................... J. Baker McGee
Warren County

Created by Ga. L. 1793

County Seat .................................. Warrenton 30828
Area ........................................ 284 square miles
Congressional District ....................... 10
Senatorial District .................................. 24
Representative District ......................... 82
Judicial Circuit .................................. Toombs
Population 1980 US Census ...................... 6,583

Officers
Judge of Probate ......................... Lucy J. Bryant
Clerk ........................................ Martha C. Poole
Sheriff ....................................... A.R. Dye
Tax Commissioner ......................... Jimmie Harold Faglier
Treasurer ................................... George C. Garrett
Surveyor ..................................... T. Larry Rachels
Coroner ....................................... Benjamin McGahee
Commissioners .............................. Allen S. May, Chairman
........................................... Alva L. Haywood
........................................... S.F. Yelton
........................................... Pauline S. Van Dyke, Clerk
School Superintendent ..................... George M. Holliman
Attorney ................................. Harold A. Hinesley

Washington County

Created by Ga. L. 1784
Named for George Washington of Virginia, 1732-1799, President of USA.

County Seat .................................. Sandersville 31082
Area ........................................ 674 square miles
Congressional District ....................... 8
Senatorial District .................................. 20, 21
Representative District ......................... 107
Judicial Circuit .................................. Middle
Population 1980 US Census ...................... 18,842

Officers
Judge of Probate ......................... Ellen T. Young
Clerk ........................................ Janie H. Lindsey
Sheriff ....................................... J.T. Walton
Tax Commissioner ......................... Betty L. Humphrey
Coroner ....................................... Sam G. Lang, III
Commissioners .............................. T. Murray Dukes, Chairman
........................................... Horace Daniel
........................................... Augusta Lawson
........................................... S. Lee Lord, Clerk
School Superintendent ..................... E. Tarver Averett
Attorney ................................. McMaster & Wommack

Wayne County

Created by Ga. L. 1803
Named for Anthony Wayne, 1745-1796.

County Seat .................................. Jesup 31545
Area ........................................ 645 square miles
Congressional District ....................... 1
Senatorial District .................................. 6
Representative District ......................... 153
Judicial Circuit .................................. Brunswick
Population 1980 US Census ...................... 20,750

Officers
Judge of Probate ......................... Christine Burch
Clerk ........................................ Stetson F. Bennett, Jr.
Sheriff ....................................... J.T. Walton
Tax Commissioner ......................... Al Szoke
Surveyor ..................................... J. Hammond Eve, Jr.
Coroner ....................................... Harry M. Tyre
Commissioners .............................. Julian A. Jackson, Chairman
........................................... J.B. Eason
........................................... Joe Baker Harris
........................................... Roger O'Quinn
........................................... John E. Tyre
........................................... Nancy Jones, Clerk
School Superintendent ..................... Glenn Keebler
Attorney ................................. J. Alvin Leaphart

Webster County

Created by Ga. L. 1853 as Kinchafoonee County; name changed to Webster by Ga. L. 1856
Named for Daniel Webster of New Hampshire and Massachusetts, 1782-1852.

County Seat .................................. Preston 31824
Area ........................................ 195 square miles
Congressional District ....................... 2
Senatorial District .................................. 11
Representative District ......................... 130
Judicial Circuit .............................. Southwestern
Population 1980 US Census ...................... 2,341

Officers
Judge of Probate ......................... A.F. Cosby
Clerk ........................................ Nancy M. Alston
Sheriff ....................................... George E. Goare
Tax Commissioner ......................... Peggy R. Kennedy
Surveyor ..................................... Love Kimbrough
Coroner ....................................... Frank Walker
Commissioner .............................. Lucius Black
........................................... Vivian Bankston, Clerk
School Superintendent ..................... Meredith Walker
Attorney ................................. Jesse Bowles, III

Wheeler County

Created by Ga. L. 1912

County Seat .................................. Alamo 30411
Area ........................................ 306 square miles
Congressional District ....................... 8
Senatorial District .................................. 20
Representative District ......................... 120
Judicial Circuit .................................. Oconee
Population 1980 US Census ...................... 5,155

Officers
Judge of Probate ......................... Roger Smith
Clerk ........................................ L.R. Clark
Sheriff ....................................... Maurice Johnson
Tax Commissioner ......................... Eleanor J. Cox
Treasurer ..................................... W.B. Jackson
Coroner ....................................... Marcus D. Bridges
Commissioner .............................. W.H. Thomas, Jr.
........................................... Elaine T. Clark, Clerk
School Superintendent ..................... William S. Clark
Attorney ................................. Stanley Smith

White County

Created by Ga. L. 1857

County Seat .................................. Cleveland 30528
Area ........................................ 243 square miles
Congressional District ....................... 9
Senatorial District .................................. 50
Representative District ......................... 11
Judicial Circuit .............................. Northeastern
Whitfield County
Created by Ga. L. 1851
Named for the Rev. George Whitfield,
Missionary, Church of England.
Founder of Bethesda Orphan House.

County Seat .............. Dalton 30720
Area .................. 281 square miles
Congressional District .... 9
Senatorial District ........ 51, 54
Representative District .... 3, 6
Judicial Circuit ........ Conasauga
Population 1980 US Census ...... 65,780

Officers
Judge of Probate ............ Herman Hansird
Clerk ...................... Dual Broadrick
Sheriff .................... Jack Davis
Tax Commissioner .......... Pryor Fitts
Surveyor .................... E. Martin Smith
Coroner .................... Leon Helton
Commissioners ............ Jim Hunt, Chairman
Wayne Alderman
Jerry Albertson
Leonard T. Cochran
Harold Mann
Norma B. Travillian, Clerk

School Superintendent .......... Norma B. Travillian, Clerk
Attorney ................... Dr. James E. Melvin

School Superintendent .......... Robert B. Adams
Attorney ................... David E. Morgan, Jr.

Wilkes County
Created by Constitution of Feb. 5, 1777
Named for John Wilkes, 1723-1797,
Member of Parliament.

County Seat ............. Washington 30673
Area .................. 468 square miles
Congressional District .... 10
Senatorial District ........ 24
Representative District .... 82
Judicial Circuit ........ Toombs
Population 1980 US Census ...... 10,951

Officers
Judge of Probate ............. John W. Williamson, Jr.
Clerk ..................... Jean Cofer
Sheriff ..................... Cecil A. Moore
Tax Commissioner .......... Grady Rogers
Coroner ..................... Joe Mason
Commissioners ............. Guy W. Bufford, Jr., Chairman
George Norman
Gerald Norman
J.M. Sherrer
David Tyler, Clerk

School Superintendent .......... Fred N. Dorminey

Wilkinson County
Created by Ga. L. 1803
Named for James B. Wilkinson,
General, Revolutionary War.

County Seat ............. Irwinton 31042
Area .................. 458 square miles
Congressional District .... 8
Senatorial District ........ 25
Representative District .... 104
Judicial Circuit ........ Ocmulgee
Population 1980 US Census ...... 10,368

Officers
Judge of Probate ............. Hazel R. Green
Clerk ..................... Cinda Kay Sloan
Sheriff ..................... Garvis Snow
Tax Commissioner .......... Hilda R. Bruner
Surveyor .................... Harvey R. Barfield
Coroner ..................... Joe Mason
Commissioners ............. Guillford Payne, Chairman
Frank Bloodworth
Harlin Day, Sr.
J.B. Gibbs
Frank H. Mills
Nina P. Maxey, Clerk

School Superintendent .......... H. Allen Mills
Attorney ................... Joseph A. Boone

Worth County
Created by Ga. L. 1853
Named for William James Worth,
Major General, Mexican War hero.

County Seat ............. Sylvester 31791
Area .................. 579 square miles
Congressional District .... 24
Senatorial District ........ 13
Representative District .... 136
Judicial Circuit ........ Tiftown
Population 1980 US Census ...... 18,064
Officers

Judge of Probate .................... Mrs. Jim Andrews
Clerk .................................. Sara Brooks
Sheriff ................................. Leo Pritchard
Tax Commissioner .................. Tony McDonald
Surveyor ............................. Roger A. Medders
Coroner ................................ W.A. Banks
Commissioners ....................... W.W. Mims, Chairman
                                  Lyndel E. Ford
                                  Lewis A. Hurst
                                  Buford E. Kennedy
                                  J.R. Odom
                                  Nell Ford, Clerk
School Superintendent ............ James E. Whitfield
Attorney .............................. Jimmy W. Watson
HISTORICAL ROSTERS

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CONSTITUTIONAL OFFICERS OF GEORGIA
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State Treasurers
State Superintendents of Schools
Commissioners of Agriculture
Commissioners of Labor
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<td>November 22, 1922 (Elected November 7, 1922 &amp; seated November 22, 1922)</td>
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U.S. REPRESENTATIVES FROM GEORGIA
1789 — To Date

First Congress — March 4, 1789-March 3, 1791
Eastern District — James Jackson
Center District — Abraham Baldwin
Western District — George Matthews

Second Congress — March 4, 1791-March 3, 1793
Eastern District — Anthony Wayne\(^1\)
                      John Milledge\(^2\)
Center District — Abraham Baldwin
Western District — Francis Wills

Third Congress — March 4, 1793-March 3, 1795
Abraham Baldwin
Thomas Petters Carnes

Fourth Congress — March 4, 1795-March 3, 1797
Abraham Baldwin
John Milledge

Fifth Congress — March 4, 1797-March 3, 1799
Abraham Baldwin
John Milledge

Sixth Congress — March 4, 1799-March 3, 1801
James Jones (died January 18, 1801)
Benjamin Taliaferro

Seventh Congress — March 4, 1801-March 3, 1803
John Milledge (Res. May, 1802)
Peter Early\(^3\)
Benjamin Taliaferro (Res. May, 1802)
David Meriwether\(^4\)

Eighth Congress — March 4, 1803-March 3, 1805
Joseph Bryan
Peter Early
Samuel Hammond\(^5\)
David Meriwether

Ninth Congress — March 4, 1805-March 3, 1807
Joseph Bryan (Res. in 1806)
Dennis Smelt\(^6\)
Peter Early
David Meriwether
Cowles Mead\(^7\)
Thomas Spalding\(^6\) (Res. in 1806)
William Wyatt Bibb\(^8\)

Tenth Congress — March 4, 1807-March 3, 1809
William Wyatt Bibb
Howell Cobb
Dennis Smelt
George Michael Troup

Eleventh Congress — March 4, 1809-March 3, 1811
William Wyatt Bibb
Howell Cobb
Dennis Smelt
George Michael Troup

Twelfth Congress — March 4, 1811-March 3, 1813
William Wyatt Bibb
Howell Cobb (Res. 1812)
William Barnett\(^10\)
Bolling Hall
George Michael Troup

Thirteenth Congress — March 4, 1813-March 3, 1815
William Barnett
William Wyatt Bibb (Res. Nov. 6, 1813 to enter US Senate)
Alfred Cuthbert\(^11\)
John Forsyth
Bolling Hall
Thomas Telfair
George Michael Troup

Fourteenth Congress — March 4, 1815-March 3, 1817
Alfred Cuthbert (Res. Nov. 9, 1816)
Zadok Cook\(^12\)
John Forsyth
Bolling Hall
Wilson Lumpkin
Thomas Telfair
Richard Henry Wilde

Fifteenth Congress — March 4, 1817-March 3, 1819
Joel Abbott
Thomas W. Cobb
Zadok Cook
Joel Crawford
John Forsyth (Res. Nov. 23, 1818 to enter US Senate)
Robert Raymond Reid\(^13\)
William Terrell

Sixteenth Congress — March 4, 1819-March 3, 1821
Joel Abbott
Thomas W. Cobb
Joel Crawford
John Alfred Cuthbert
Robert Raymond Reid
William Terrell

Seventeenth Congress — March 4, 1821-March 3, 1823
Joel Abbott
Albert Cuthbert
George Rockingham Gilmer
Robert Raymond Reid
Edward Fenwick Tattnall
Wiley Thompson
Eighteenth Congress — March 4, 1823-March 3, 1825

Joel Abbott
George Cary
Thomas W. Cobb (Res. Dec. 6, 1824 to enter US Senate)
Richard Henry Wilde
Alfred Cuthbert
John Forsyth
Edward Fenwick Tattnall
Wiley Thompson

Nineteenth Congress — March 4, 1825-March 3, 1827

George Cary
Alfred Cuthbert
John Forsyth
Charles Eaton Haynes
James Meriwether
Edward Fenwick Tattnall
Wiley Thompson

Twentieth Congress — March 4, 1827-March 3, 1829

John Floyd
John Forsyth (Res. Nov. 7, 1827, having been elected Governor)
Richard Henry Wilde
Tomlinson Fort
Charles Eaton Haynes
Wilson Lumpkin
Edward Fenwick Tattnall (Res. before Congress assembled)
George Rockingham Gilmer
Wiley Thompson

Twenty-first Congress — March 4, 1829-March 3, 1831

Thomas Flournoy Foster
Charles Eaton Haynes
Henry Graybill Lamar
Wilson Lumpkin
Wiley Thompson
James Moore Wayne
Richard Henry Wilde

Twenty-second Congress — March 4, 1831-March 3, 1833

Thomas Flournoy Foster
Henry Graybill Lamar
Wilson Lumpkin (Res. 1831 to take office as Governor)
Augustin Smith Clayton
Daniel Newman
Wiley Thompson
James Moore Wayne
Richard Henry Wilde

Twenty-third Congress — March 4, 1833-March 3, 1835

Augustin Smith Clayton
John Coffee
Thomas Flournoy Foster
Roger Lawson Gamble
George Rockingham Gilmer
Seaborn Jones
William Schley
James Moore Wayne (Res. Jan. 13, 1835)
Richard Henry Wilde

Twenty-fourth Congress — March 4, 1835-March 3, 1837

George Washington Bonaparte Towns (Res. Sept. 1, 1836)

Julius Caesar Alford
William Schley (Resigned July 1, 1835)
Jesse Franklin Cleveland
John Coffee (died Sept. 25, 1836)
William Crosby Dawson
John W.A. Sanford (Res. July 25, 1835)
Thomas Glascock
Seaton Grantland
Charles Eaton Haynes
James C. Terrell (Res. July 8, 1835)
Hopkins Holsey
Jabez Young Jackson
George W. Owens

Twenty-fifth Congress — March 4, 1837-March 3, 1839

Jesse Franklin Cleveland
William Crosby Dawson
Thomas Glascock
Seaton Grantland
Charles Eaton Haynes
Hopkins Holsey
Jabez Young Jackson
George W. Owens
George Washington Bonaparte Towns

Twenty-sixth Congress — March 4, 1839-March 3, 1841

Julius Caesar Alford
Edward Junius Black
Walter Terry Colquitt (Res. July 21, 1840)
Hines Holt
Mark Anthony Cooper
William Crosby Dawson
Richard Wyly Habersham
Thomas Butler King
Eugenius Aristides Nisbet
Lott Warren

Twenty-seventh Congress — March 4, 1841-March 3, 1843

Julius Caesar Alford (Res. October 1, 1841)
Edward Junius Black
William Crosby Dawson (Res. November 13, 1841)
Walter Terry Colquitt
Eugenius Aristides Nisbet (Res. in 1841)
Mark Anthony Cooper
Thomas Flournoy Foster
Roger Lawson Gamble
Richard Wyly Habersham (died December 2, 1842)
George Walker Crawford
Thomas Butler King
James A. Meriwether
Lott Warren

Twenty-eighth Congress — March 4, 1843-March 3, 1845

Edward Junius Black
John Basil Lamar (Res. July 29, 1843, before Congress assembled)
Absalom Harris Chappell
Howell Cobb
Hugh Anderson Haralson
William Henry Stiles
John Henry Lumpkin
John Millen (died October 15, 1843)

*Elected at large to fill in part vacancies caused by resignations of Alford, Dawson, and Nisbet.
Twenty-ninth Congress — March 4, 1845-March 3, 1847

1st District — Thomas Butler King
2nd District — Seaborn Jones
3rd District — George Washington Bonaparte Towns
4th District — Hugh Anderson Haralson
5th District — John Henry Lumpkin
6th District — Howell Cobb
7th District — Alexander Hamilton Stephens
8th District — Robert Toombs

Thirty-first Congress — March 4, 1847-March 3, 1849

1st District — Thomas Butler King
2nd District — Alfred Iverson
3rd District — John William Jones
4th District — Hugh Anderson Haralson
5th District — Thomas C. Hackett
6th District — Howell Cobb
7th District — Alexander Hamilton Stephens
8th District — Robert Toombs

Thirty-third Congress — March 4, 1853-March 3, 1855

1st District — James Lindsay Seward
2nd District — Alford Holt Colquitt
3rd District — Robert Jenkins Trippe
4th District — Lucius Jeremiah Gartrell
5th District — John William Henderson Underwood
6th District — Charles Henry Prince
7th District — Alexander Hamilton Stephens
8th District — Robert Toombs

Thirty-fifth Congress — March 4, 1857-March 3, 1859

1st District — James Lindsay Seward
2nd District — Martin Jenkins Crawford
3rd District — Robert Pleasant Trippe
4th District — Lucius Jeremiah Gartrell
5th District — Augustus Romaldus Wright
6th District — James Jackson
7th District — Joshua Hill
8th District — Alexander Hamilton Stephens

Thirty-seventh Congress — March, 1859-March 3, 1861

(Although Georgia was not yet formally readmitted to representation, the Representatives elected to Congress qualified as indicated. See Note.)

1st District — Joseph Wales Clift
2nd District — Nelson Tift
3rd District — William Posey Edwards
4th District — Samuel Francis Gove
5th District — Charles Henry Prince
6th District — (See note)
7th District — Pierce M.B. Young

(Note: John A. Wimpy and John H. Christy both claimed election from the 6th District, but neither was seated. The other Representatives were seated July 25, 1868.)

Forty-first Congress — March 4, 1869-March 3, 1871

(Georgia was formally readmitted to representation by Act of July 15, 1870)

1st District — William Wiseman Paine
2nd District — Richard Henry Whiteley
3rd District — Marion Bethune
4th District — Jefferson Franklin Long (Negro)
5th District — Stephen Alvestus Corker
6th District — William Pierce Price

*Presented a signed communication declaring their intention and withdrew January 23, 1861.
7th District — Pierce M. B. Young**37

(Note: Pierce M. B. Young, Nelson Tift, W. P. Edwards, J. W. Clift, Samuel F. Gove, and C. H. Prince presented credentials alleging their election as Representatives April 20, 1868, same election in which they were elected to the Forty-fifth Congress. By Resolution of January 28, 1870, the House declared they were not entitled to seats. Pierce M. B. Young subsequently presented credentials under a later election and was seated.

Forty-second Congress — March 4, 1871-March 3, 1873

1st District — Archibald Thompson Maclntyre
2nd District — Richard Henry Whiteley
3rd District — John Summerfield Bigby
4th District — Thomas Jefferson Speer
(died Aug. 18, 1872)
Erasmus William Beck
5th District — Dudley McIver DuBose
6th District — William Pierce Price
7th District — Pierce M. B. Young

Forty-third Congress — March 4, 1873-March 3, 1875

1st District — Morgan Rawls
Andrew Sloan
2nd District — Richard Henry Whiteley
3rd District — Philip Cook
4th District — Henry Richard Harris
5th District — James Crawford Freeman
6th District — James Henderson Blount
7th District — Pierce M. B. Young
8th District — Alexander Hamilton Stephens
9th District — Hiram Parks Bell

Forty-fourth Congress — March 4, 1875-March 3, 1877

1st District — Julian Hartridge
2nd District — William Ephraim Smith
3rd District — Philip Cook
4th District — Henry Richard Harris
5th District — Milton Anthony Harris
6th District — James Henderson Blount
7th District — William Harrell Felton
8th District — Alexander Hamilton Stephens
9th District — Benjamin Harvey Hills
(Res. March 3, 1877 to enter US Senate)

Forty-fifth Congress — March 4, 1877-March 3, 1879

1st District — Julian Hartridge (died Jan. 8, 1879)
William Bennet Fleming
2nd District — William Ephraim Smith
3rd District — Philip Cook
4th District — Henry Richard Harris
5th District — Milton Anthony Candler
6th District — James Henderson Blount
7th District — William Harrell Felton
8th District — Alexander Hamilton Stephens
9th District — Hiram Parks Bell

Forty-sixth Congress — March 4, 1879-March 3, 1881

1st District — John Calhoun Nicholls
2nd District — William Ephraim Smith
3rd District — Philip Cook
4th District — Henry Persons
5th District — Nathaniel Job Hammond
6th District — James Henderson Blount
7th District — William Harrell Felton
8th District — Alexander Hamilton Stephens
9th District — Emory Speer

Forty-seventh Congress — March 4, 1881-March 3, 1883

1st District — George Robison Black
2nd District — Henry Gray Turner
3rd District — Philip Cook
4th District — Hugh Buchanan
5th District — Nathaniel Job Hammond
6th District — James Henderson Blount
7th District — Judson Claudius Clements
8th District — Alexander Hamilton Stephens
(Res. Nov. 4, 1882 to be Governor)
Seaborn Reese
9th District — Emory Speer

Forty-eighth Congress — March 4, 1883-March 3, 1885

1st District — John Calhoun Nicholls
2nd District — Henry Gray Turner
3rd District — Charles Frederick Crisp
4th District — Hugh Buchanan
5th District — Nathaniel Job Hammond
6th District — James Henderson Blount
7th District — Judson Claudius Clements
8th District — Seaborn Reese
9th District — Allen Daniel Candler

Forty-ninth Congress — March 4, 1885-March 3, 1887

1st District — Thomas Manson Norwood
2nd District — Henry Gray Turner
3rd District — Charles Frederick Crisp
4th District — Henry Richard Harris
5th District — Nathaniel Job Hammond
6th District — James Henderson Blount
7th District — Judson Claudius Clements
8th District — Seaborn Reese
9th District — George Thomas Barnes

Fiftieth Congress — March 4, 1887-March 3, 1889

1st District — Thomas Manson Norwood
2nd District — Henry Gray Turner
3rd District — Charles Frederick Crisp
4th District — Thomas Wingfield Grimes
5th District — John David Stewart
6th District — James Henderson Blount
7th District — Judson Claudius Clements
8th District — Henry Hull Carlton
9th District — Allen Daniel Candler
10th District — George Thomas Barnes

Fifty-first Congress — March 4, 1889-March 3, 1891

1st District — Rufus Ezekiel Lester
2nd District — Henry Gray Turner
3rd District — Charles Frederick Crisp
4th District — Thomas Wingfield Grimes
5th District — John David Stewart
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11th District — William Gordon Brantley

**Sixty-second Congress** — March 4, 1911-March 3, 1913

1st District — Charles Gordon Edwards  
2nd District — Seaborn Anderson Roddenberry  
3rd District — Dudley Mays Hughes  
4th District — William Charles Adamson  
5th District — William Schley Howard  
6th District — Charles Lafayette Bartlett  
7th District — Gordon Lee  
8th District — Samuel Joelah Tribble  
9th District — Thomas Montgomery Bell  
10th District — Thomas William Hardwick  
11th District — William Gordon Brantley

**Sixty-third Congress** — March 4, 1913-March 3, 1915

1st District — Charles Gordon Edwards  
2nd District — Seaborn Anderson Roddenberry (died Sept. 25, 1913) — Frank Park  
3rd District — Charles Robert Crisp  
4th District — William Charles Adamson  
5th District — William Schley Howard  
6th District — Charles Lafayette Bartlett  
7th District — Gordon Lee  
8th District — Samuel Joelah Tribble  
9th District — Thomas Montgomery Bell  
10th District — Thomas William Hardwick  
11th District — William Gordon Brantley

**Sixty-fourth Congress** — March 4, 1915-March 3, 1917

1st District — Charles Gordon Edwards  
2nd District — Frank Park  
3rd District — Charles Robert Crisp  
4th District — William Charles Adamson  
5th District — William Schley Howard  
6th District — Charles Lafayette Bartlett  
7th District — Gordon Lee  
8th District — Samuel Joelah Tribble (died Dec. 8, 1916) — Tinsley White Rucker  
9th District — Thomas Montgomery Bell  
10th District — Thomas William Hardwick  
11th District — John Randall Walker  
12th District — Dudley Mays Hughes

**Sixty-fifth Congress** — March 4, 1917-March 3, 1919

1st District — James Whetstone Overstreet  
2nd District — Frank Park  
3rd District — Charles Robert Crisp  
4th District — William Charles Adamson (Res. Dec. 18, 1917) — William Carter Wright  
5th District — William Schley Howard  
6th District — James Walter Wise  
7th District — Gordon Lee  
8th District — Samuel Joelah Tribble  
9th District — Thomas Montgomery Bell  
10th District — Carl Vinson  
11th District — John Randall Walker  
12th District — Dudley Mays Hughes

**Sixty-sixth Congress** — March 4, 1919-March 3, 1921

1st District — James Whetstone Overstreet  
2nd District — Frank Park  
3rd District — Charles Robert Crisp  
4th District — William Carter Wright  
5th District — William David Upshaw  
6th District — James Walter Wise  
7th District — Gordon Lee  
8th District — Charles Hillyer Brand  
9th District — Thomas Montgomery Bell  
10th District — Carl Vinson  
11th District — William Chester Lankford  
12th District — William Washington Larsen

**Sixty-seventh Congress** — March 4, 1921-March 3, 1923

1st District — James Whetstone Overstreet  
2nd District — Frank Park  
3rd District — Charles Robert Crisp  
4th District — William Carter Wright  
5th District — William David Upshaw  
6th District — James Walter Wise  
7th District — Gordon Lee  
8th District — Charles Hillyer Brand  
9th District — Thomas Montgomery Bell  
10th District — Carl Vinson  
11th District — William Chester Lankford  
12th District — William Washington Larsen

**Sixty-eighth Congress** — March 4, 1923-March 3, 1925

1st District — Robert Lee Moore  
2nd District — Frank Park  
3rd District — Charles Robert Crisp  
4th District — William Carter Wright  
5th District — William David Upshaw  
6th District — James Walter Wise  
7th District — Gordon Lee  
8th District — Charles Hillyer Brand  
9th District — Thomas Montgomery Bell  
10th District — Carl Vinson  
11th District — William Chester Lankford  
12th District — William Washington Larsen

**Sixty-ninth Congress** — March 4, 1925-March 3, 1927

1st District — Charles Gordon Edwards  
2nd District — Edward Eugene Cox  
3rd District — Charles Robert Crisp  
4th District — William Carter Wright  
5th District — William David Upshaw  
6th District — Samuel Rutherford  
7th District — Gordon Lee  
8th District — Charles Hillyer Brand  
9th District — Thomas Montgomery Bell  
10th District — Carl Vinson  
11th District — William Chester Lankford  
12th District — William Washington Larsen

**Seventieth Congress** — March 4, 1927-March 3, 1929

1st District — Charles Gordon Edwards  
2nd District — Edward Eugene Cox  
3rd District — Charles Robert Crisp  
4th District — William Carter Wright  
5th District — William David Upshaw  
6th District — Samuel Rutherford  
7th District — Gordon Lee  
8th District — Charles Hillyer Brand  
9th District — Thomas Montgomery Bell  
10th District — Carl Vinson  
11th District — William Chester Lankford  
12th District — William Washington Larsen

**Seventy-first Congress** — March 4, 1929-March 3, 1931

1st District — Charles Gordon Edwards  
2nd District — Edward Eugene Cox  
3rd District — Charles Robert Crisp  
4th District — William Carter Wright  
5th District — William David Upshaw  
6th District — Samuel Rutherford  
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Eightieth Congress — January 3, 1947-January 3, 1949

1st District — Prince Hulon Preston
2nd District — Edward Eugene Cox
3rd District — Stephen Pace
4th District — Albert Sidney Camp
5th District — James Curran Davis
6th District — Carl Vinson
7th District — Henderson Lovelace Lanham
8th District — William McDonald Wheeler
9th District — John Stephens Wood
10th District — Paul Brown

Eighty-first Congress — January 3, 1949-January 3, 1951

1st District — Prince Hulon Preston
2nd District — Edward Eugene Cox
3rd District — Stephen Pace
4th District — Albert Sidney Camp
5th District — James Curran Davis
6th District — Carl Vinson
7th District — Henderson Lovelace Lanham
8th District — William McDonald Wheeler
9th District — John Stephens Wood
10th District — Paul Brown

Eighty-second Congress — January 3, 1951-January 3, 1953

1st District — Prince Hulon Preston
2nd District — Edward Eugene Cox (died Dec. 24, 1952)
3rd District — Elijah Lewis Forrester
4th District — Albert Sidney Camp
5th District — James Curran Davis
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Eighty-fourth Congress — January 3, 1955-January 3, 1957

1st District — Prince Hulon Preston
2nd District — John Leonard Pilcher
3rd District — Elijah Lewis Forrester
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5th District — James Curran Davis
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Eighty-fifth Congress — January 3, 1957-January 3, 1959

1st District — Prince Hulon Preston
2nd District — John Leonard Pilcher
3rd District — Elijah Lewis Forrester
4th District — John J. Flynt, Jr.
5th District — James Curran Davis
6th District — Carl Vinson
7th District — Henderson Lovelace Lanham (died November 10, 1957)
8th District — Iris Faircloth Blitch
9th District — Phillip Mitchell Landrum
10th District — Paul Brown


1st District — Prince Hulon Preston (died Feb. 8, 1961)
2nd District — John Leonard Pilcher
3rd District — Elijah Lewis Forrester
4th District — John J. Flynt, Jr.
5th District — James Curran Davis
6th District — Carl Vinson
7th District — Harlan Erwin Mitchell
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2 Elected to fill vacancy caused by resignation of John Millen, seated December 7, 1835.
3 Elected to fill vacancy caused by death of Julian Hartridge. Seated December 1, 1873.
4 Elected to fill vacancy caused by resignation of Thomas Butler King, seated March 4, 1850.
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12 Elected to fill vacancy caused by resignation of Joseph Bryan, seated December 26, 1806.
13 Served until December 24, 1805, succeeded by Thomas Spalding, who contested election.
14 Successfully contested election of Cowles Mead, seated December 24, 1805.
15 Elected to fill vacancy caused by resignation of Thomas Spalding, seated January 26, 1807.
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58Elected to fill vacancy caused by death of Seaborn A. Roddenberry, seated November 20, 1913.

59Resigned effective November 2, 1914 subsequently elected Senator.

60Elected to fill vacancy caused by resignation of Thomas W. Hardwick, seated December 7, 1914.

61Elected to fill vacancy caused by death of Samuel J. Tribble, seated January 15, 1917.

62Elected to fill vacancy caused by resignation of William C. Adamson, seated January 24, 1918.

63Elected to fill vacancy caused by death of Rep.-elect Samuel J. Tribble, seated April 2, 1917.

64Election unsuccessfully contested by Don H. Clark.

65Never qualified because of prolonged illness.

66Election unsuccessfully contested by Don H. Clark.

67Elected to fill vacancy caused by death of Charles G. Edwards, seated December 7, 1931.

68Resigned October 7, 1932, having been appointed member of U.S. Tariff Commission.

69Elected to fill vacancy caused by resignation of Charles R. Crisp, seated December 5, 1932.

70Elected to fill vacancy caused by death of Samuel Rutherford, seated March 7, 1932.

71Elected to fill vacancy caused by death of Charles H. Brand, seated January 3, 1934.

72Elected to fill vacancy caused by death of Emmett M. Owen, seated August 5, 1939.

73Elected to fill vacancy caused by death of her husband, W. Benjamin Gibbs, seated October 3, 1940.

74Election unsuccessfully contested by Edward T. McEvoy.

75Elected to fill vacancy caused by resignation of Robert Ramspeck, seated February 25, 1946.

76Election unsuccessfully contested by Helen Douglas Mankin and Wyman C. Lowe.

77Elected to fill vacancy caused by death of Henderson L. Lanham, seated January 10, 1958.
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GOVERNORS OF GEORGIA
1733-1984

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**Removed from office by General Meade.**

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The term of office of the Governor is defined in each of the ten State Constitutions as follows:

- 1777 (Article XXIII): one year term; could not succeed himself
- 1789 (Article II): two year term
- 1798 (Article II): two year term
- 1861 (Article III): two year term
- 1865 (Article III): two year term; could succeed himself for one additional two year term
- 1868 (Article IV): four year term
- 1877 (Article V): two year term; could succeed himself for one additional two year term
- 1941 Constitutional Amendment: four year term; could not succeed himself
- 1945 (Article V): four year term; could not succeed himself
- 1976 (Article V): four year term; could succeed himself for one additional four year term
- 1983 (Article V): four year term; could succeed himself for one additional four year term
Because of conflicting statements in various sources, there are many uncertainties and ambiguities concerning party labels and it is difficult to verify true political party affiliations.

**Served more than one term, but not in succession.

***Upon the death of his father, Eugene Talmadge, December 21, 1946, who was elected but died before taking office, Herman Talmadge was elected by the Legislature to serve his father's unexpired term. He served 67 days but vacated office when the State Supreme Court ruled that the Constitutional provision under which he was elected was not applicable in that instance and Ellis Arnall's term continued until the next election. When Melvin E. Thompson was sworn in as Lieutenant Governor, Arnall resigned and Thompson served as Acting Governor until the next General Election. Herman Talmadge, defeated M.E. Thompson in the September 1948 Primary Election and was elected in the General Election, November 2, 1948 to complete the unexpired term of his father.

****State Supreme Court Ruling.

Lieutenant-Governors

Provided for in 1945 Constitution of Georgia to be elected at General Election. Melvin E. Thompson, January 18, 1947 (elected) but became Acting Governor before serving.

Zell B. Miller .......... Jan. 14, 1975-date

John Milton ....................... 1777-1799
Horatio Marbury .............. 1799-1811
Abner Hammond .......... 1811-1823
Everard Hamilton .......... 1823-1833
W.A. Tennille ............. 1833-1843
Nathan C. Barnett ...... 1843-1849
George W. Harrison .... 1849-1851
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E.P. Watkins .......... 1853-1861
Nathan C. Barnett ...... 1861-1868
David G. Cotting .......... 1868-1873
Nathan C. Barnett ...... 1873-1890
Philip Cook .......... 1890-1894
Jim D. Candler .......... 1894-1898
William Clifton .......... 1898 (Mar.-Nov.)
Robert A. Ely .......... 1898-1899
Philip Cook .......... 1899-1901
H.B. Strange ............ 1901-1903
S.G. McLendon .......... 1919-1928 (died March 8, 1928)
George H. Carswell ...... 1928-1931
Ben W. Fortson, Jr. .... 1946-1979 (died May 19, 1979)
David B. Poytbress .... 1979-1983
Max Cleland .............. 1983-date

Comptrollers-General*

(Auditors 1782-1799)

John Gibbons .................. 1782-1787
John Wereat ................. 1782-1792
Abraham Jones ............ 1793-1798
James Meriwether ...... 1799-1804
Elezzer Early ........... 1805-1808
James Bozeman ........ 1809-1824
William Trippett ........ 1825-1828
Thacker B. Howard .......... 1829-1833
William W. Carnes ...... 1834-1835
John G. Park .......... 1836-1842
David E. Bothwell ........ 1843-1848
Ezekiel S. Candler ........ 1849-1854
Peterson Thwaites ....... 1855-1864
John T. Burns .......... 1865-1867
Madison Bell .......... 1868-1872
W.L. Goldsmith .......... 1872-1879
William A. Wright ...... 1879-1929 (died Sept.13, 1929)
William B. Harrison ...... 1929-Feb. 24, 1936
Glenn B. Carreke .......... Feb. 24-June 16, 1936
Homer C. Parker ........ June 16, 1936-Jan. 12, 1937
William B. Harrison .. Jan. 12, 1937-June 3, 1940
(died June 3, 1940)
C. Downing Musgrove .... June 6, 1940-Jan. 12, 1941
Homer C. Parker ........ Jan. 12, 1941-June 22, 1946
(died June 22, 1946)
Johnnie L. Caldwell .... Jan. 13, 1971-date

*The new Georgia Constitution (effective July 1, 1983) changes
the title of this constitutional office from Comptroller General
to Commissioner of Insurance (with no change in duties or
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Secretaries of State

John Milton ....................... 1777-1799
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Attorneys General

Henry P. Farrow .. July 21, 1868-1872
N.J. Hammond .......... Mar. 30, 1872-1877
Robert N. Ely .......... Jan. 18, 1877-1880
Clifford Anderson .... Nov. 9, 1880-1890
George N. Lester ...... Nov. 8, 1890-1892
William A. Little ... Apr. 2, 1892-1892
J.M. Terrell .......... Oct. 29, 1892-1902
Boykin Wright .... Jan. 21, 1902-1902
John C. Hart ........ Oct. 25, 1902-1910
Hewlett A. Hall .... July 14, 1910-1911
Thomas S. Felder ...... July 1, 1911-1914
Warren Grice .......... Apr. 15, 1914-1915
Clifford Walker .... June 26, 1915-1920
R.A. Denny .......... Apr. 6, 1920-1921
George M. Napier .... June 25, 1921-May 4, 1932
(died May 4, 1932)
Lawrence S. Camp .......... May 9, 1932-Jan. 10, 1933
Manning Jasper Yeomans .... Jan. 10, 1933-Feb. 2, 1939
(resigned)
Ellis G. Arnall .... Feb. 2, 1939-Jan. 12, 1943
Thomas Grady Head ...... Jan. 12, 1943-Aug. 18, 1945
(resigned)
Eugene Cook .......... Aug. 18, 1945-June 14, 1946 (resigned)
Arthur K. Bolton .... June 14, 1945-July 31, 1981 (resigned)
Michael J. Bowers .... Aug. 1, 1981-date
Note: William Clifton, Esq., first Attorney General of Georgia, 1754-1764, was appointed by the King of England.
There were mentions of an Attorney General and a State’s Attorney in the various State Constitutions and Acts, but the State of Georgia did not provide for an Attorney General until 1868. See 1868 Constitution of Georgia, Section 7, Paragraphs 1 and 2.

State Treasurers

James Bryant .................. 1781
John Lindsay ................. 1782
Joseph Clay ................. 1782
John Martin ................. 1783-1784
Seth John Cuthbert .... 1784-1786
George Jones ................. 1787
John Meals ................. 1788-1791
John Gibbons ................. 1792-1794
Philip Clayton ........ 1794-1796
John Berrien .... 1796-1799
Edwin Mounger .......... 1799-1806
George R. Clayton .... 1806-1825
James Bozeman .......... 1826-1828
Hines Holt .......... 1829-1832
John Williams .......... 1833
Thomas Haynes .......... 1834-1841
Benjamin B. Smith .... 1842
Walter H. Mitchell .... 1843-1846
William B. Tinsley .... 1847-1850
J.M. Patton .......... 1851
Walter H. Mitchell .... 1851-1852
John B. Trippe .......... 1853-1860
John Jones .......... 1861-1867
Adjutants General of Georgia
1792-Date

Lt. Col. John C. Easter ........ Nov. 13, 1817-Nov. 11, 1835
Col. John B. Baird ............. Oct. 16, 1879-Nov. 5, 1882
Col. John A. Stephens ........ Nov. 6, 1882-Dec. 31, 1886
Brig. Gen. Phil G. Byrd ........ Oct. 11, 1900-Nov. 11, 1900
Brig. Gen. James W. Robertson ........ Nov. 12, 1900-Nov. 30, 1903
Brig. Gen. Sampson W. Harris .... Dec. 1, 1903-July 1, 1907
Brig. Gen. Andrew J. Scott .... July 2, 1907-July 1, 1911
Maj. Arthur McCollum ........ Nov. 28, 1917-Feb. 28, 1919
Brig. Gen. Homer C. Parker ...... June 28, 1927-June 30, 1932
Brig. Gen. Charles H. Cox ........ July 1, 1932-Jan. 8, 1933
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Acting Pres.

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Marvin W. "Cap" Hicks
ROSTER OF MEMBERS OF GEORGIA STATE SENATE
(Alphabetically by Counties)

NOTE: The 1977-78 edition of the GEORGIA OFFICIAL AND STATISTICAL REGISTER (pages 1190-1365) contains rosters of the Senate from the creation of the counties through 1978. The following pages update the information for the sessions of 1979-80, 1981-82, and 1983-84.

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**Sess. 4.** 1780. Nathan Brownson, Liberty (elect Gov.)

**Sess. 5.** 1781. John Jones, Burke

**Sess. 6.** 1782. William Gibbons, Sr., Camden

**Sess. 7.** 1783-83 Ex.-83 Ann. John Houston, Chatham

**Sess. 8.** 1784-84 Adj.-84 Ex. William Habersham, Chatham

**Sess. 9.** 1785. Joseph Habersham, Chatham

**Sess. 10.** 1786-86 Adj. William Gibbons, Sr., Chatham

**Sess. 11.** 1787-87 Adj. William Gibbons, Sr., Chatham

**Sess. 12.** 1788-88 Ex.-88 2d Ex. Nathan Brownson, Effingham

**Sess. 13.** 1789. John Powell, Burke

**Sess. 14.** 1789-90 Ex. Seaborn Jones, Richmond

**Sess. 15.** 1790. William Gibbons, Chatham

**Sess. 16.** 1791. William Gibbons, Chatham

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1969-1977 ....................... John Sammons Bell
1979-1980 ..................... Braswell D. Deen, Jr.
1981-1984 ....................... J. Kelley Quillian
1984-date .................... W. LeRoy McMurray, Jr.

Associate Judges

1907-1913 ....................... Benjamin Harvey Hill
1907-1913 ..................... Richard Brevard Russell
1907-1912 ....................... A.G. Powell
1912-1914 ......................... J.R. Pottle
1913-1914 ....................... L.S. Roan
1914-1916 ....................... Peyton L. Wade
1914-1917 ....................... Nash Rose Broyles
1916-1916 ....................... Robert Hodges
1917-1932 ....................... Oliver Hazzard Bartow Bloodworth
1917-1917 ....................... Walter Franklin George
1917-1917 ....................... Roscoe Luke
1917-1917 ....................... William Franklin Jenkins
1917-1918 ....................... Frank Harwell
1918-1943 ....................... Alexander William Stephens
1919-1920 ....................... Charles Whiteford Smith
1920-1922 ....................... Benjamin Harvey Hill
1922-1932 ....................... Reason Chestnutt Bell
1923-1952 ....................... Hugh James Maclntyre
1932-1947 ....................... I. Homer Sutton
1933-1940 ....................... John Benjamin Guerry
1937-1954 ....................... Jule Wimberly Felton
1940-1960 ....................... Bernard Clay Gardner
1944-1949 ....................... David Monroe Parker
1947-1961 ....................... John Murphy Claggett Townsend
1949-1953 ....................... Charles William Worrell
1952-1963 ....................... Ira Carlisle
1953-1960 ....................... Joseph Dillard Quillian
1954-1966 ....................... Horace Elmo Nichols

1960-1969 ....................... John Sammons Bell
1960-1967 ....................... John Eccleston Frankum
1960-1972 ....................... Robert Henry Jordan
1961-1974 ....................... Homer Christian Eberhardt
1961-1974 ....................... Robert H. Hall
1961-1962 ....................... Vance Custer
1963-1976 ....................... Charles Adams Pannell
1965-1979; 1981-date .......... Braswell D. Deen, Jr.
1966-1980 ....................... John Kelley Quillian
1967-1967 ....................... George Stanley Joslin
1967-1972 ....................... George Price Whitman
1972-1976 ....................... H. Sol Clark
1974-1979 ....................... Julian Webb
1976-1983 ....................... Wm. L. McMurray, Jr.
1976-1980 ....................... George T. Smith
1977-1984 ....................... Arnold Shulman
1977-date ....................... Harold R. Banke
1977-date ....................... Andrew W. Birdsong
1979-date ....................... George H. Carley
1980-date ....................... John W. Sognier
1981-date ....................... Marion T. Pope
1984-date ....................... Robert Benham
1984-date ....................... Dorothy T. Beasley
Chapter XI
ELECTIONS, 1983-84

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Democratic and Republican Primaries
August 14, 1984

Democratic and Republican Primary Runoffs
September 4, 1984

Nonpartisan Primary
August 14, 1984

Nonpartisan Primary Runoffs
September 4, 1984

General Election
November 6, 1984

Constitutional Amendments

Special Elections

Democratic Party of Georgia
Executive Committee

Republican Party of Georgia
Executive Committee

Published in this chapter are consolidated returns of Special Elections and consolidated totals of the General Election, Constitutional Amendments and Statewide Referendums, as well as a listing of the members of the Executive Committees of the Democratic Party of Georgia, and the Republican Party of Georgia.

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Dates of Primaries, General and Special Elections

as prescribed by the

Official Code of Georgia Annotated

Section 21-2-150, General primary. 21-2-9, November election. 21-2-542, Special election for United States Senator. 21-2-543, Special election for Congressional Representative. 21-2-544, Special election for member of General Assembly. 21-2-540, Conduct of special elections.

Section 21-2-150. General primary — Whenever any political party shall hold a primary to nominate candidates for public offices to be filled in the ensuing November election, the same shall be held on the second Tuesday in August in each even-numbered year.

Section 21-2-9. November election — The Governor, Statehouse officers, Members of Congress, Justices of the Supreme Court, Judges of the Court of Appeals, judges of the superior courts, solicitors general, member of the General Assembly, county officers, justices of the peace and constables shall be elected in the November election next preceding the expiration of the term of office. O.C.G.A. 21-2-2. The word “November election” shall mean the general election held on the Tuesday next following the first Monday in November in each even numbered year.

O.C.G.A. 21-2-542. Special election for United States Senator—Whenever a vacancy shall occur in the representation of this State in the Senate of the United States, such vacancy shall be filled for the unexpired term by the vote of the electors of the State at a special election to be held at the time of the next November election, occurring at least forty days after the occurrence of such vacancy, and it shall be the duty of the Governor to issue his proclamation for such election. Until such time as the vacancy shall be filled by an election as herein provided, the Governor may make a temporary appointment to fill such vacancy.

O.C.G.A. 21-2-544. Special election for members of General Assembly — Whenever a vacancy shall occur or exit in either House of the General Assembly during a session of the General Assembly, or whenever such vacancy shall occur or exist at a time when the members of the General Assembly shall be required to meet at any time previous to the next November election, the Governor shall issue, within ten days after the happening of such vacancy, or after the calling of an extraordinary session of the General Assembly during the existence of such vacancy, a writ of election to the ordinary of each county involved for a special election to fill such vacancy, which election shall be held on a date named in the writ, which shall not be less than thirty nor more than sixty days after its issuance. In all other cases and in cases involving vacancies occurring during the 1970 Session of the General Assembly, any such special election to fill any such vacancy shall be held if the Governor issues his writ of election therefor. If a vacancy occurs while the General Assembly is in session, and the Governor elects to issue a writ, it shall only be necessary to have one poll open in each county involved, which shall be at the county seat, if only one candidate has qualified for the vacant seat.

O.C.G.A. 21-2-540. Conduct of special election — Every special election shall be held and conducted in all respects in accordance with the provisions of this Code relating to general elections, and the provisions of this Code relating to general elections shall apply thereto insofar as practicable, and not inconsistent with any other provisions of this Code. All such special elections held at the time of a general election shall be conducted by the poll officers by the use of the same equipment and facilities, so far as practicable, as are used for such general election. At least twenty-nine days shall intervene between the call of a special election and the holding of same.

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Special Election for State Senate District 53
January 25, 1983

The consolidated returns on file in the office of the Secretary of State for the Special Election held on the 25th day of January 1983 in District 53 of the State Senate, Catoosa County (in part), Chattooga County, Dade County, and Walker County, to fill the vacancy caused by the death of E.G. Summers, show the following results:

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<tr>
<th>CATOOSA</th>
<th>CHATTOOGA</th>
<th>DADE</th>
<th>WALKER</th>
<th>TOTAL</th>
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<td>Carl Ellis</td>
<td>214</td>
<td>247</td>
<td>64</td>
<td>1,783</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Waymond (Sonny) Huggins</td>
<td>45</td>
<td>380</td>
<td>48</td>
<td>1,461</td>
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<td>Mike Kelley</td>
<td>64</td>
<td>67</td>
<td>5</td>
<td>690</td>
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<td>James McCauley</td>
<td>21</td>
<td>128</td>
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<td>143</td>
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<td>J. William (Bill) Rhyne</td>
<td>13</td>
<td>106</td>
<td>28</td>
<td>776</td>
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<td>Donna M. Street</td>
<td>5</td>
<td>578</td>
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<td>245</td>
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<td>William R. (Bill) Tatum</td>
<td>2</td>
<td>59</td>
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<td>68</td>
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<td>Write-Ins:</td>
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<tr>
<td>Charlie Fields</td>
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<td>Arnold Eaves</td>
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Inasmuch as no candidate received a majority of the votes cast, a Special Runoff Election was held on February 8, 1983 and the consolidated returns on file in this office show the following results:

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<th>DADE</th>
<th>WALKER</th>
<th>TOTAL</th>
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<tr>
<td>Carl Ellis</td>
<td>268</td>
<td>492</td>
<td>369</td>
<td>2,724</td>
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<tr>
<td>Waymond (Sonny) Huggins</td>
<td>112</td>
<td>979</td>
<td>445</td>
<td>3,137</td>
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<tr>
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<td>James McCauley</td>
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<tr>
<td>Bill Rhyne</td>
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</table>

Mr. Waymond (Sonny) Huggins was duly elected to this office, having received a majority of the votes cast.

Special Election for Supreme Court of Georgia
May 3, 1983

The votes on file in the office of the Secretary of State for the Special Election held on the 3rd day of May 1983 for the office of Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of Georgia show the following results:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>CANDIDATE</th>
<th>VOTES CAST</th>
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<tr>
<td>Jack Dorsey</td>
<td>41,692</td>
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<tr>
<td>Hardy Gregory, Jr.</td>
<td>74,704</td>
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<tr>
<td>Paul Weiner</td>
<td>13,425</td>
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GRAND TOTAL 129,821
The write-in votes on file in the office of the Secretary of State for the Special Election held on the 3rd day of May 1983 for the office of Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of Georgia:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>WRITE-IN CANDIDATE</th>
<th>RECEIVED NUMBER OF VOTES</th>
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<tr>
<td>Atwater, Rev.</td>
<td>1</td>
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<td>Bell, Bob</td>
<td>1</td>
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<tr>
<td>Bowles, Jesse G.</td>
<td>1</td>
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<tr>
<td>Daniel, Charles</td>
<td>1</td>
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<tr>
<td>Evans, Wayne G., Sr.</td>
<td>1</td>
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<tr>
<td>Federal, Keegan</td>
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<tr>
<td>Federal, R. Keegan</td>
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</tr>
<tr>
<td>Federal, R. Keegan, Jr.</td>
<td>1</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Fowler, Laurie</td>
<td>1</td>
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<tr>
<td>Kahn, Robert S.</td>
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<tr>
<td>Littlejohn, C.E.</td>
<td>2</td>
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<td>Littlejohn, Charles E.</td>
<td>6</td>
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<tr>
<td>Murphy, Thomas B.</td>
<td>1</td>
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<tr>
<td>Paulk, J. Ron</td>
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<tr>
<td>Peppers, Daisy Fishburne</td>
<td>1</td>
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<tr>
<td>Phillips, Earl</td>
<td>1</td>
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<td>Strickland, Frank</td>
<td>1</td>
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<tr>
<td>Turner, Carl</td>
<td>1</td>
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<td><strong>TOTAL WRITE-IN VOTES</strong></td>
<td><strong>24</strong></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Mr. Hardy Gregory, Jr. was duly elected to this office, having received a majority of the votes cast.

Special Election for State Representative District 1, Post 1
May 3, 1983

The consolidated returns on file in the office of the Secretary of State for the Special Election held on the 3rd day of May 1983 in District 1, Post 1 of the State House of Representatives, in portions of the counties of Dade and Walker, to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of the Honorable Wayne Snow, Jr., show the following results:

<table>
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<tr>
<th>Candidate</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Bill Breneman</td>
<td>363</td>
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<tr>
<td>Edward R. (Randy) Gasque</td>
<td>587</td>
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<tr>
<td>Donald F. Oliver</td>
<td>1,619</td>
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<tr>
<td>C.D. (Donny) Peppers</td>
<td>1,538</td>
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<tr>
<td>Jim Smith (James Alonzo Smith)</td>
<td>826</td>
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<tr>
<td>Write-In Votes:</td>
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<tr>
<td>Joe P. Walker, Sr.</td>
<td>1</td>
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Inasmuch as no candidate received a majority of the votes cast, a Special Runoff Election was held on May 17, 1983 and the consolidated returns on file in this office show the following results:

<table>
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<tr>
<th>Candidate</th>
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<tr>
<td>Donald F. Oliver</td>
<td>3,057</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>C.D. (Donny) Peppers</td>
<td>2,541</td>
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</table>
Mr. Donald F. Oliver was duly elected to this office, having received a majority of the votes cast.

Special Election for State Senate District 6
May 3, 1983

The consolidated returns on file in the Office of the Secretary of State for the Special Election held on the 3rd day of May 1983 in District 6 of the State Senate, Bacon County, Brantley County, Camden County, Charlton County, Pierce County, Wayne County and a portion of Appling and Glynn Counties, to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of Bill Littlefield, show the following results:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>COUNTY</th>
<th>HUEY P.</th>
<th>JOEL R.</th>
<th>JACK</th>
<th>RILEY</th>
<th>CLAUDE &quot;JOE&quot;</th>
<th>WILLOU</th>
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</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>APPLING</td>
<td>107</td>
<td>208</td>
<td>44</td>
<td>105</td>
<td>32</td>
<td>123</td>
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<tr>
<td>BACON</td>
<td>382</td>
<td>35</td>
<td>23</td>
<td>11</td>
<td>18</td>
<td>122</td>
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<tr>
<td>BRANTLEY</td>
<td>142</td>
<td>116</td>
<td>15</td>
<td>40</td>
<td>759</td>
<td>78</td>
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<tr>
<td>CAMDEN</td>
<td>234</td>
<td>72</td>
<td>173</td>
<td>48</td>
<td>156</td>
<td>470</td>
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<tr>
<td>CHARLTON</td>
<td>127</td>
<td>43</td>
<td>77</td>
<td>40</td>
<td>51</td>
<td>140</td>
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<tr>
<td>GLYNN</td>
<td>99</td>
<td>139</td>
<td>420</td>
<td>142</td>
<td>210</td>
<td>2,469</td>
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<tr>
<td>PIERCE</td>
<td>861</td>
<td>47</td>
<td>27</td>
<td>15</td>
<td>35</td>
<td>79</td>
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<tr>
<td>WAYNE</td>
<td>223</td>
<td>1,248</td>
<td>73</td>
<td>2,306</td>
<td>84</td>
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<td>TOTAL</td>
<td>2,175</td>
<td>1,908</td>
<td>852</td>
<td>2,707</td>
<td>1,345</td>
<td>3,864</td>
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Inasmuch as no candidate received a majority of the votes cast, a Special Runoff Election was held on May 17, 1983 and the consolidated returns on file in this office show the following results:

<table>
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<td>CAMDEN</td>
<td>434</td>
<td>875</td>
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<td>281</td>
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<td>WAYNE</td>
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<td>6,735</td>
<td>5,947</td>
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Mr. Riley Reddish was duly elected to this office, having received a majority of the votes cast.

Special Election for State Representative District 16
July 12, 1983

A Writ of Election was issued by Governor Joe Frank Harris on June 1, 1983, calling for a Special Election to be held on the 12th day of July 1983 in a portion of Floyd County, to fill the vacancy existing in the House of
Representatives of the General Assembly from Representative District 16 occasioned by the resignation of Honorable John Adams.

The Official Code of Georgia Annotated Section 21-2-291 provides as follows: "Any other provision of law to the contrary notwithstanding, in the event there is no opposed candidate, no name shall appear on the special election ballot unless a write-in candidate has qualified as provided by law. Further, if there are no opposed candidates, no eligible write-in candidates, and no issues to be submitted to the electorate, no election shall be conducted. Each unopposed candidate shall be deemed to have voted for himself. The superintendent shall certify such unopposed candidate as elected in the same manner as he certifies other candidates as elected pursuant to Code Section 21-2-493. (Code 1933, Section 34-1112, enacted by Ga. L. 1978, p. 1979, Sec. 1.)"

Inasmuch as Tom Caldwell was the only candidate to qualify with the Secretary of State for this office, no person filed a Notice of Intent to run as a write-in candidate, and no issue was to be submitted to the electorate, no Special Election was held.

Tom Caldwell was the duly elected member of the House of Representatives of the General Assembly of Georgia from the 16th Representative District.

Special Election for U.S. Representative
Seventh Congressional District
October 18, 1983

A Special Election was held on October 18, 1983, to fill the vacancy in the office of the House of Representatives of the Congress of the United States from the Seventh Congressional District, due to the death of the Honorable Larry McDonald, and the following votes were cast:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Candidate</th>
<th>Votes</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Benjamin S. &quot;Buster&quot; Biggers</td>
<td>15</td>
<td>0.02%</td>
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<tr>
<td>Bobby B. Brickell</td>
<td>62</td>
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<td>Peggy Ann Childers</td>
<td>359</td>
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<tr>
<td>George (Buddy) Darden</td>
<td>22,951</td>
<td>27.56%</td>
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<td>Lon L. Day, Jr.</td>
<td>2,919</td>
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<td>Dan Fincher</td>
<td>4,283</td>
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<td>Raymond Edward Fulton</td>
<td>62</td>
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<td>81</td>
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<td>M.G. Huntington</td>
<td>131</td>
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<td>Sara Jean Johnston</td>
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<td>Kathy McDonald</td>
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<td>A. Craig Smith</td>
<td>24</td>
<td>0.03%</td>
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<tr>
<td>Marshall Uncapher</td>
<td>30</td>
<td>0.04%</td>
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217
Total Votes 83,263
Total Write-In Votes 8
GRAND TOTAL 83,271

WRITE-IN VOTES

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<tr>
<td>Bill Rhyne</td>
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<td>Arnold (Pug) Eaves</td>
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<td>Don Gentry</td>
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<td>Ernest Clower</td>
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<td>Douglas Carson</td>
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Inasmuch as no candidate received a majority of the votes cast, a Special Runoff Election was held on November 8, 1983, pursuant to O.C.G.A. 21-2-501. The returns on file in this office show the following results:

U.S. Representative in the 98th Congress from the Seventh Congressional District of Georgia:

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GRAND TOTAL 95,216 100%

Mr. George (Buddy) Darden was duly elected to this office, having received a majority of the votes cast.

Special Election for State Representative District 144
October 18, 1983

The consolidated returns on file in the office of the Secretary of State for the Special Election held on the 18th day of October 1983, in District 144, of the State House of Representatives, in the County of Mitchell and in a portion of the Counties of Colquitt and Thomas, to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of the Honorable Marcus Collins, show the following results:

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A. Richard Royal, having received a majority of the votes cast, was duly elected to the office of State Representative in the General Assembly of Georgia from the 144th District.

Special Election for State Representative District 26
December 6, 1983

The consolidated returns on file in the office of Secretary of State for the Special Election held on the 6th day of December 1983 in District 26
of the State House of Representatives, in a portion of Fulton County, to fill the vacancy existing by the reason of the death of the Honorable Sidney Marcus, show the following results:

Benjamin S. Biggers 6
Frank E. Blankenship 15
Beth Damon Coonan 187
Kathy Davis 355
Jim Fallaize 153
Cynthia J. Fuller 745
Carl Hartrampf 549
Jim Martin 871
Tom Zarrilli 9
Joseph P. Zimmerman 38

Inasmuch as no candidate received a majority of the votes cast, a Special Runoff Election was held on December 20, 1983 and the consolidated returns on file in this office show the following results:

Cynthia J. Fuller 1,178
Jim Martin 1,335

Mr. Jim Martin was duly elected to this office, having received a majority of the votes cast.

Special Election for State Representative District 20, Post 3
December 20, 1983

The consolidated returns on file in the office of the Secretary of State for the Special Election held on the 20th day of December 1983 in District 20, Post 3 of the State House of Representatives, in a portion of Cobb County, to fill the vacancy existing by the reason of the resignation of the Honorable George W. Darden, show the following results:

Harris Adams 1,213
R.E. "Rusty" Barfield 135
Bill Cooper 1,826
Jim Coxwell 473
John M. Hall 21
Reuel Hamilton 2,186
Jeff Jerrel 81
Snyder Turner 1,585

Inasmuch as no candidate received a majority of the votes cast, a Special Runoff Election was held on January 10, 1984 and the consolidated returns on file in this office show the following results:

Bill Cooper 4,795
Reuel Hamilton 3,724

Mr. Bill Cooper was duly elected to this office, having received a majority of the votes cast.
## GENERAL ELECTION
November 6, 1984

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Max Brannon
17,801

District 52
Ed Hine
16,549

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District 54
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District 55
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1. Shall the Constitution be amended so as to provide that a judge may be suspended from office upon being indicted for a felony and may be removed from office upon being convicted of a felony by this state or by the United States and to provide for procedures and other matters relative thereto?

2. Shall the Constitution be amended so as to provide that certain public officials may be suspended from office upon being indicted for a felony and may be removed from office upon being convicted of a felony by this state and to provide for procedures and other matters relative thereto?

3. Shall the Constitution be amended so as to authorize the State Board of Education to appoint the State School Superintendent?

4. Shall the Constitution be amended so as to:

   (1) Authorize the General Assembly by law to change previously existing public retirement or pension laws of this state to redefine involuntary separation from employment and to provide additional or revise existing limitations or restrictions on the right to qualify for a retirement or pension benefit based on involuntary separation from employment and to affect present members of public retirement or pension systems as a result of the revision of such laws;

   (2) Authorize the General Assembly by law to define or redefine part-time service including but not limited to service as a member of the General Assembly, for the purposes of any previously existing or future public retirement or pension system and place limitations or restrictions on the use of part-time service as creditable service under any such system and to affect present members of any public retirement or pension system in connection therewith; and
CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS (cont'd)  

(3) Provide restrictions on retirement or pension benefits based on involuntary separation from employment as applied to public retirement or pension systems created in the future?

5. Shall the Constitution be amended so as to prohibit the payment of retirement benefits based on involuntary separation from employment to any past, present, or future Governor of the State of Georgia as a result of ceasing to hold office as Governor for any reason, except for medical disability?

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6. Shall the Constitution be amended so as to provide that the office of any state, county, or municipal elected official shall be declared vacant upon such elected official qualifying for another state, county, or municipal office or qualifying for the House of Representatives or the Senate of the United States if the term of the office for which such official is qualifying for begins more than 30 days prior to the expiration of such official's present term of office?

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Population as of 1980 U.S. Census: 5,464,265

Population rank among the 50 states (1980 U.S. Census): 12

Area rank among the 50 states: 21

Area rank east of the Mississippi River: 1

Number of Counties: 159

Total Members in General Assembly: 236
  Senate: 56
  House: 180

Total land and inland water area in sq. mi.: 58,909.61*

Total area submerged: 853.82 sq. mi., or 544,445 acres*

Total number of acres in woodland: 23,700,000**

Total number of miles around state’s boundary (perimeter mileage): 1051*

Geographic center of Georgia: about 17½ miles southeast of Macon or specifically 4½ miles east-northeast of Bullard and ¾ mile south-southeast of junction of Turvin and Savage Creeks in Twiggs County.*

Elevation:
  Highest (Brasstown Bald Mtn., NE): 4,784 feet
  Lowest: Sea Level

Length: 315 miles

Breadth: 250 miles

Georgia has 55 state parks in operation, administered by the Department of Natural Resources, Parks and Historic Sites Division totaling 54,868.44 acres and 8 parks maintained by the National Park Service. Okefenokee in southeast Georgia is one of the largest swamps in the US covering 600 square miles. Stone Mountain near Atlanta is 1,686 feet high and is the largest piece of exposed granite in the world.

Average annual rainfall: ranges from approximately 76 inches in the northeast Georgia mountains to 40 inches in the Augusta area. The Atlanta area receives between 48 to 52 inches.

GEORGIA'S OFFICIAL STATE SYMBOLS

State Nickname: The General Assembly has never designated an official nickname for the State. Unofficially, it has been variously called:
  - Empire State of the South
  - The Peach State
  - The Cracker State
  - The Goober State
  - Yankee-land of the South
  - The Buzzard State


State Colors: Red, white and blue (Ga. L. 1956, p. 38).

State Tree: Live Oak (Ga. L. 1937, p. 2209).

State Flower: Cherokee Rose (Ga. L. 1916, p. 1046).


GEORGIA STATE FLAG

Many flags have flown over Georgia during her history, but at the Constitutional Convention in 1787, it was agreed that each state, while loyal to the United States flag, should also have its own flag. After the Georgia Seal was adopted in 1799, the first state flag was designed with the Seal centered on a field of blue.

During the War Between the States, Georgia had many flags including numerous regimental flags. The Bonnie Blue flag, a blue field with a single white, five-pointed star, was the first popular Confederate flag, but it was never adopted by the Confederate Congress. The Battle Flag of the Confederacy, the familiar blue St. Andrew’s cross studded with thirteen white stars on a field of red, was designed in 1861.
In 1879 the General Assembly of Georgia passed an act changing the flag to a vertical band of blue next to the staff occupying one-third of the flag; the remainder was divided into three horizontal bands with the upper and lower in red and the middle in white. In 1905 the state Seal was added to the vertical blue band.

The present state flag was established by Ga. L. 1956, p. 38. It is described as follows:

“The flag of the State of Georgia shall be a vertical band of blue next to the staff, and occupying one-third of the entire flag; the remainder of the space to be a square of two-thirds, the length of the flag, having the ground red; therein a broad saltier of blue, bordered with white, emblazoned with white mullets or five pointed stars, thirteen in number, corresponding in number to that of the Confederate States of America as recognized by the Confederate States Congress*; so that the said remainder shall be the same as the union of the flag of the Confederate States as approved and cited in Statutes at Large of the Confederate States Congress, 1st and 2nd Sessions, 1862-3-4, and approved May 1, 1863, such remainder being popularly known as the Battle Flag of the Confederacy. On the blue field shall be stamped, painted, or embroidered the coat of arms of the State.”

*Confederate States Congress recognized Kentucky and Missouri, which accounts for the 13 stars. Each of these states had Union and Confederate Governments. Representatives of their Confederate Governments were admitted to the Confederate States Congress.

FLAG ALLEGIANCE
(Ga. L. 1935, p. 1253)

“I pledge allegiance to the Georgia Flag and to the principles for which it stands; Wisdom, Justice, and Moderation.”

GEORGIAN'S CREED

“Accepting, as I do, the principles upon which Georgia was founded, not for self but others; — its Democratic form of Government, based on 'Wisdom, Justice and Moderation'; its natural resources; — its Educational, Social and Religious advantages, making it a most desirable place to live.

I will strive to be a pure upright Citizen, rejecting the evils — loving and emulating the good.

I further believe it is my duty to defend it against all enemies, to honor and obey its laws, to apply the Golden Rule in all my dealings with my fellow Citizens.

I feel a sense of pride in the history and heroic deeds accomplished by my forebears, and shall endeavor to so live that my State will be proud of me for doing my bit to make my State a better Commonwealth for future generations.”

THE GREAT SEAL

Except for the date it bears, the present Great Seal has been in use since 1799 with the exception of the period 1863-1865, when a specially designed Great Seal was used, and the period 1868-1871, when it was hidden by Secretary of State Nathan C. Barnett. In 1872, it was restored by Mr. Barnett after Georgians were again in power in the state. During the three Governors’ controversy in 1947, Secretary of State Ben W. Fortson, Jr. hid the Great Seal under the cushion of his wheelchair until the Georgia Supreme Court decided who was the rightful Chief Executive.

In 1914, the date on the Seal was changed by legislative action from 1799 to 1776 to correspond with the signing of the Declaration of Independence. The device on one side is a view of the seashore, with a ship bearing the flag of the United States riding at anchor near a wharf, receiving on board hogheads of tobacco and bales of cotton, emblematic of the exports of this State; at a small distance a boat, landing from the interior of the State, with hogheads, etc., on board representing the State's internal traffic; in the back part of the same side a man in the act of plowing, and at a small distance a flock of sheep in different postures, shaded by a flourishing tree; the motto thereon, "Agriculture and Commerce, 1776." The device on the other side is three pillars supporting an arch, with the word "Constitution" engraved within the same, emblematic of the Constitution, supported by the three departments of government, viz., the legislative, judicial, and executive—the first pillar having engraved on it "Wisdom," the second "Justice," the third "Moderation"; on the right of the last pillar a man standing with a drawn sword, representing the aid of the military in the defense of the Constitution; the motto, "State of Georgia 1776." (O.C.G.A. 50-3-30)

THE CHEROKEE ROSE
Georgia State Flower

The Cherokee Rose was designated the state flower by Ga. L. 1916, p. 1046. It is believed that the rose was introduced into the State, perhaps directly from China or from China by way of England. One well-known horticulturist agreeing with this view gives the year 1757 as the date of its introduction into England and advances the belief that it reached the United States shortly afterwards. The name, Cherokee Rose, is a local appellation derived from the Cherokee Indians who widely distributed the plant, which elsewhere is known by the botanical name of rosa sinica. Growing wild the rose is a high climbing shrub, frequently attaining the proportions of a vine, is excessively thorny and generously supplied with leaves of a vivid green. Its blooming time is in the early spring but favorable conditions will produce a second flowering in the fall of the year. In color, the rose is a waxy white and large golden center and the petals are of an exquisite velvety texture. Because of its hardy nature the plant is well adapted to hedge purposes and has been used extensively in this fashion throughout the South.

THE BROWN THRASHER
Georgia State Bird

The Brown Thrasher was designated by the General Assembly as the official Georgia State Bird (Ga. L. 1970, p. 418). The Thrasher is common in the eastern United States, ranging north to Canada and west to the Rockies. This bird is migratory in the north, it winters in the southern states. The Brown Thrasher is almost a foot long. It has rich brown color with a white stripe on its wings; brown feathers stripe the creamy whiteness on its breast. The bird is one of the finest songsters native to America; it is a very fine mimic, thus resembling the mockingbird, to which it is closely related. It nests in low bushes or brush piles, and its eggs are thickly peppered with brown specks. The Brown Thrasher, though vegetarian in part, is a true friend to the farmer because of the grasshoppers, caterpillars, and worms it destroys.
HISTORICAL FACTS

- Charter of the Colony of Georgia granted June 9, 1732 by George II, King of Great Britain, to James Edward Oglethorpe and Board of 21 Trustees, who established the colony in 1733. Original territory extended from Atlantic Ocean to Mississippi River, including the land now the states of Alabama and Mississippi.

- Charter surrendered by Trustees to Crown (George III) 1752 making Georgia a Royal Province. Remained a Royal Province until Independence in 1776. Remnants of British rule in Georgia lasted until 1782.


- Seceded from the Union January 19, 1861 (See Journal of Secession Convention). Fifth state to secede. (Candler's Confederate Records).

- Ratified Confederate Constitution March 6, 1861 (See Journal of Secession Convention).

- Formally readmitted to the Union by U.S. Congress Act of July 15, 1870.

- Capital of Georgia:
  - Savannah (under British rule) 1733-1782.
  - Augusta, 1786-1795.
  - Louisville, 1796-1806 (first permanent capitol building).
  - Milledgeville, 1807-1868 (one Extraordinary Session of the Legislature held in Macon, February-March 1865)
  - Atlanta, 1868-date.

- Georgia Day is celebrated on February 12 to observe the founding of the State of Georgia (H.R. 370 adopted by the General Assembly, 1977).

- The first state-chartered and supported university, the University of Georgia in Athens, was chartered on January 27, 1785, and opened to students in 1801.

- America’s first gold rush began at Auraria, Lumpkin County, near Dahlonega in 1828.

- The Girl Scouts of America was founded March 12, 1912, by Juliette Gordon Low in Savannah.

- Moina Bell Michael originated the Flanders Field Memorial Poppy, the memorial flower of World War I, November 9, 1918.

- In 1922, Rebecca Felton of Cartersville became the first woman to serve in the United States Senate.

- Dr. Charles Herty developed the process for making newsprint from pine in 1932.

- In 1964, Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. was the first Georgian to receive the Nobel Peace Prize.

- Former Governor Jimmy Carter was the first Georgian to be elected President of the United States in 1976.

POETS LAUREATE OF GEORGIA
1925-1984

The Poet Laureate is appointed through an Executive Order issued by the Governor of Georgia. No specified term of service is indicated for the Laureate.

John R. Lewis, Jr., M.D. ........ Dec. 24, 1974-date.

LEGAL HOLIDAYS

The following days are declared to be public and legal holidays in Georgia:

- First day of January ................. New Year's Day
- 19th day of January .................. Lee's Birthday
- Third Monday in February .... Washington's Birthday
- 26th day of April ................. Confederate Memorial Day
- Last Monday in May .......... National Memorial Day
- 3rd day of June ............. Jefferson Davis' Birthday
- 4th day of July ................ Independence Day
- First Monday in September .......... Labor Day
- Second Monday in October .......... Columbus Day
- 11th day of November ............. Veterans' Day
- Fourth Thursday in November .... Thanksgiving Day
- 25th day of December .......... Christmas Day

and any day proclaimed or designated by the Governor of the State of Georgia or the President of the United States as a day of fasting and prayer or other religious observance. Whenever a public or legal holiday occurs on a Saturday, the preceding Friday shall be observed as a public and legal holiday and whenever a public or legal holiday occurs on a Sunday the following Monday shall be observed as a public and legal holiday. (Ga. L. 1975, pp. 368-69).
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