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Voting Rights Act of 1965 - 50th Anniversary

During the debate over the Voting Rights Act of 1965 it was common for Minnesotans to write to members of Congress. A Duluth resident sent a letter to Congressman John A. Blatnik, who represented Minnesota's 8th District, urging him to support voting rights for all Americans. Below is Congressman Blatnik's response, which was sent on July 8, 1965, one day before the United States House of Representatives passed the Voting Rights Act, 333-85.

Dear Mr. Chagnon:

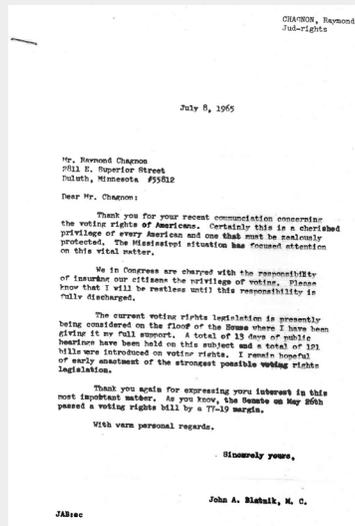
Thank you for your recent communication concerning the voting rights of Americans. Certainly this is a cherished privilege of every American and one that must be zealously protected. The Mississippi situation has focused attention on this vital matter.

We in Congress are charged with the responsibility of insuring our citizens the privilege of voting. Please know that I will be restless until this responsibility is fully discharged.

The current voting rights legislation is presently being considered in the floor of the House where I have been giving it my full support. A total of 13 days of public hearings have been held on this subject and a total of 121 bills were introduced on voting rights. I remain hopeful of early enactment of the strongest possible voting rights legislation.

Thank you again for expressing [your] interest in this most important matter. As you know, the Senate on May 26th passed a voting rights bill by a 77-19 margin.

With warm personal regards. Sincerely yours, John A. Blatnik, M. C.



PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES



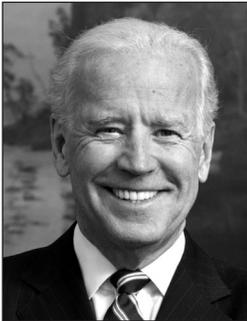
Barack Obama (Democrat)
44th President of the United States

Elected: 2008, 2012
Term: Four years
Term expires: January 2017
Salary: \$400,000

White House
1600 Pennsylvania Ave. N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20500
Phone: (202) 456-1414
Website: whitehouse.gov

The U.S. Constitution provides: To qualify as president, a person must be 35 years old, a natural-born citizen, 14 years a resident of the United States, and elected by a majority of the Electoral College.

VICE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES



Vice President Joe Biden (Democrat)
47th Vice President of the United States

Elected: 2008, 2012
Term: Four years
Term expires: January 2017
Salary: \$230,700

Old Executive Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20501
Phone: (202) 456-1414
Website: whitehouse.gov

The U.S. Constitution provides: To qualify as vice president, a person must meet the same requirements as the president but not be from the same state as the president.

The Cabinet includes the Vice President and, by law, the heads of 15 executive departments. Under President Obama, cabinet-level rank also has been accorded to seven others.

PRESIDENT'S CABINET

Secretary of Agriculture: Thomas J. Vilsack

Secretary of Commerce: Penny Pritzker

Secretary of Defense: Ashton Carter

Secretary of Education: Arne Duncan

Secretary of Energy: Dr. Ernest Moniz

Secretary of Health & Human Services:

Sylvia Mathews Burwell

Secretary of Homeland Security:

Jeh Johnson

Secretary of Housing & Urban Development:

Julian Castro

Secretary of Interior: Sally Jewell

Department of Justice, Attorney General:

Loretta E. Lynch

Secretary of Labor: Thomas E. Perez

Secretary of State: John Kerry

Secretary of Transportation:

Anthony Foxx

Secretary of Treasury: Jack Lew

Secretary of Veterans Affairs:

Robert McDonald

Council of Economic Advisors:

Jason Furman, Chair

Environmental Protection Agency:

Gina McCarthy, Administrator

Office of Management and Budget:

Shaun L.S. Donovan, Director

Small Business Administration:

Maria Contreras-Sweet, Administrator

United States Ambassador to the

United Nations: Samantha Power

United States Trade Representative:

Michael Froman

White House Chief of Staff:

Denis McDonough

MINNESOTA'S U.S. SENATORS

The U.S. Constitution provides: To qualify as senator, a person must be 30 years old, a citizen of the United States nine years, a resident of the state, and elected by the people.



Amy Klobuchar (Democratic-Farmer-Labor)

Elected: 2006, 2012
Term: Six years
Term Expires: January 2019
Salary: \$174,000

Residence: Minneapolis
Website: klobuchar.senate.gov
Committees: Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry; Commerce, Science, and Transportation; Joint Economic; Judiciary, Rules and Administration

D.C. Office

302 Hart Senate Office Building
 Washington, D.C. 20510
Phone: (202) 224-3244
Fax: (202) 228-2186

Metro Office

1200 Washington Ave S., Suite 250
 Minneapolis, MN 55415
Phone: (612) 727-5220
Fax: (612) 727-5223

Rochester Office

1130 1/2 Seventh Street
 N.W., Suite 212
 Rochester, MN 55901
Phone: (507) 288-5321
Fax: (507) 288-2922

Moorhead Office

121 Fourth St. S.
 Moorhead, MN 56560
Phone: (218) 287-2219
Fax: (218) 287-2930

Virginia Office

Olcott Plaza, Suite 105
 820 Ninth St. N.
 Virginia, MN 55792
Phone: (218) 741-9690
Fax: (218) 741-3692



Al Franken (Democratic-Farmer-Labor)

Elected: 2008, 2014
Term: Six years
Term Expires: January 2021
Salary: \$174,000

Residence: Minneapolis
Website: franken.senate.gov
Committees: Health, Education, Labor and Pensions (HELP); Judiciary; Indian Affairs; and Energy and Natural Resources

D.C. Office

309 Hart Senate Office Building
 Washington, D.C. 20510
Phone: (202) 224-5641
Fax: (202) 224-0044

St. Paul Office

60 East Plato Blvd., Suite 220
 St. Paul, MN 55107
Phone: (651) 221-1016
Fax: (651) 221-1078

Duluth Office

515 W. First St., Suite 104
 Duluth, MN 55802
Phone: (218) 722-2390
Fax: (218) 722-4131

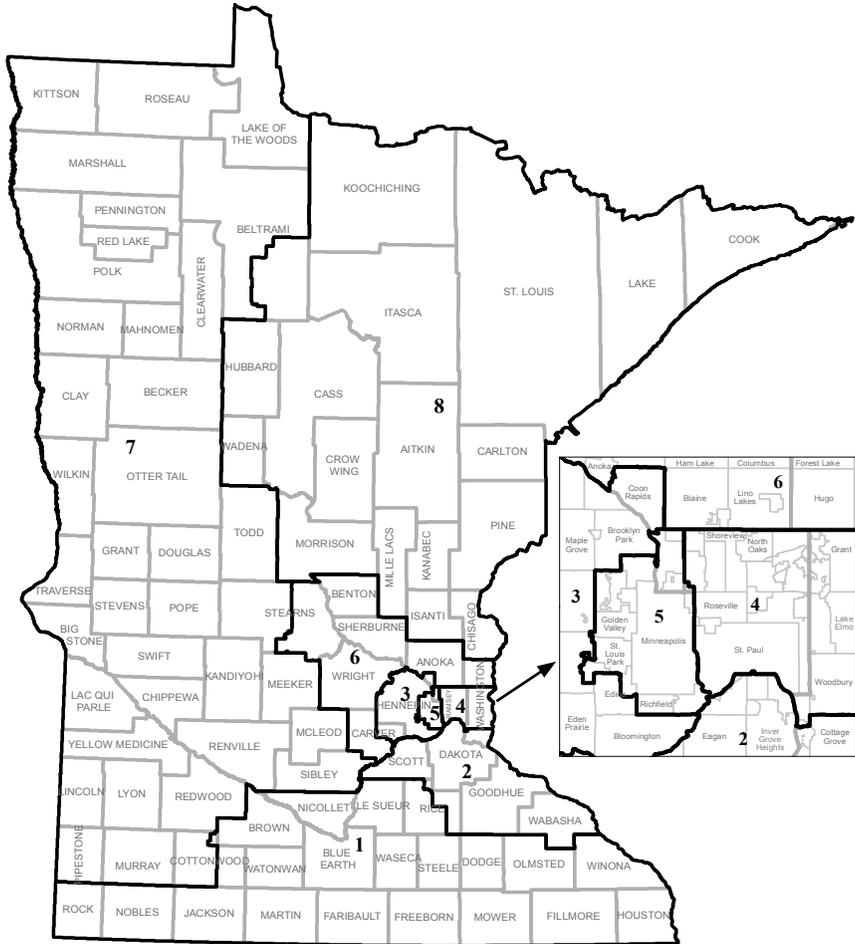
St. Cloud Office

916 W. St. Germain St., Suite 110
 St. Cloud, MN 56301
Phone: (320) 251-2721
Fax: (320) 251-4164

St. Peter Office

208 S. Minnesota Ave., Suite 6
 St. Peter, MN 56082
Phone: (507) 931-5813
Fax: (507) 931-7345

MINNESOTA CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICTS



MINNESOTA'S U.S. REPRESENTATIVES

The U.S. Constitution provides: To qualify as representative a person must be 25 years old, a citizen of the United States for seven years and a resident of the state, and elected by the people.

Congressional District 1**Tim Walz** (Democratic-Farmer-Labor)**Elected:** 2006, 2008, 2010, 2012, 2014**Term:** Two years**Term expires:** January 2017**Salary:** \$174,000**Residence:** Mankato**Website:** walz.house.gov**Committees:** Agriculture; Armed Services; Veterans' Affairs**D.C. Office** 1034 Longworth House Office Bldg., Washington, D.C. 20515**Phone:** (202) 225-2472 **Fax:** (202) 225-343**Mankato Office** 527 1/2 South Front Street , Mankato, MN 56001**Phone:** (507) 388-2149 **Fax:** (507) 388-6181**Rochester Office** 1202 1/2 7th St. N.W., Suite 211, Rochester, MN 55904**Phone:** (507) 388-2149Congressional District 2**John Kline** (Republican)**Elected:** 2002, 2004, 2006, 2008, 2010, 2012, 2014**Term:** Two years**Term expires:** January 2017**Salary:** \$174,000**Residence:** Burnsville**Website:** kline.house.gov**Committees:** Education and Workforce (Chairman);
Armed Services**D.C. Office:** 2439 Rayburn House Office Bldg., Washington, D.C. 20515**Phone:** (202) 225-2271 **Fax:** (202) 225-2595**Minnesota Office:** 350 W. Burnsville Parkway, Suite 135, Burnsville, MN 55337**Phone:** (952) 808-1213 **Fax:** (952) 808-1261



Congressional District 3

Erik Paulsen (Republican)

Elected: 2008, 2010, 2012, 2014

Term: Two years

Term expires: January 2017

Salary: \$174,000

Residence: Eden Prairie

Website: paulsen.house.gov

Committees: Ways and Means, Joint Economic Committee

D.C. Office: 127 Cannon House Office Bldg., Washington, D.C. 20515

Phone: (202) 225-2871 **Fax:** (202) 225-6351

Minnesota Office: 250 Prairie Center Drive, Suite 230, Eden Prairie, MN 55344

Phone: (952) 405-8510 **Fax:** (952) 405-8514



Congressional District 4

Betty McCollum (Democratic-Farmer-Labor)

Elected: 2000, 2002, 2004, 2006, 2008, 2010, 2012, 2014

Term: Two years

Term expires: January 2017

Salary: \$174,000

Residence: St. Paul

Website: mccollum.house.gov

Committee: Appropriations

D.C. Office: 2256 Rayburn House Office Bldg., Washington D.C. 20515

Phone: (202) 225-6631 **Fax:** (202) 225-1968

Minnesota Office: 165 Western Ave. N., Suite 17, St. Paul, MN 55102

Phone: (651) 224-9191 **Fax:** (651) 224-3056



Congressional District 5

Keith Ellison (Democratic-Farmer-Labor)

Elected: 2006, 2008, 2010, 2012, 2014

Term: Two years

Term expires: January 2017

Salary: \$174,000

Residence: Minneapolis

Website: ellison.house.gov

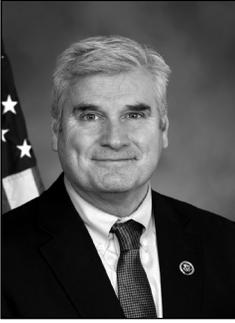
Committee: Financial Services

D.C. Office: 2263 Rayburn House Office Bldg., Washington, D.C. 20515

Phone: (202) 225-4755 **Fax:** (202) 225-4886

Minnesota Office: 2100 Plymouth Ave. N., Minneapolis, MN 55411

Phone: (612) 522-1212 **Fax:** 612-522-9915



Congressional District 6

Tom Emmer (Republican)

Elected: 2014

Term: Two years

Term expires: January 2017

Salary: \$174,000

Residence: Delano

Website: emmer.house.gov

Committees: Agriculture, Foreign Affairs

D.C. Office: 503 Cannon House Office Bldg., Washington, D.C. 20515

Phone: (202) 225-2331 **Fax:** (202) 225-6475

Minnesota Office: 9201 Quaday Ave. NE, Suite 206, Otsego, MN 55330

Phone: (763) 323-8922 **Fax:** (763) 323-6585



Congressional District 7

Collin C. Peterson (Democratic-Farmer-Labor)

Elected: 1990, 1992, 1994, 1996, 1998, 2000, 2002, 2004, 2006, 2008, 2010, 2012, 2014

Term: Two years

Term expires: January 2017

Salary: \$174,000

Residence: Detroit Lakes

Website: collinpeteron.house.gov

Committee: Agriculture (Ranking Member)

D.C. Office: 2204 Rayburn House Office Bldg., Washington, D.C. 20515

Phone: (202) 225-2165 **Fax:** (202) 225-1593

Detroit Lakes Office: 714 Lake Avenue, Suite 107, Detroit Lakes, MN 56501

Phone: (218) 847-5056 **Fax:** 218-847-5109

Marshall Office: 1420 East College Drive, SW/WC, Marshall, MN 56258

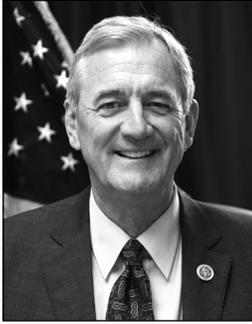
Phone: (507) 537-2299 **Fax:** (507) 537-2298

Redwood Falls Office: 230 E. Third St., Redwood Falls, MN 56283

Phone: (507) 637-2270

Willmar Office: 324 Third St. S.W., Suite 4, Willmar, MN 56201

Phone: (320) 235-1061 **Fax:** (320) 235-2651



Congressional District 8

Richard Nolan (Democratic-Farmer-Labor)

Elected: 1974, 1976, 1978, 2012, 2014

Term: Two years

Term expires: January 2017

Salary: \$174,000

Residence: Crosby

Website: nolan.house.gov

Committees: Agriculture; Transportation and Infrastructure

D.C. Office: 2366 Rayburn House Office Bldg., Washington, D.C. 20515

Phone: (202) 225-6211 **Fax:** (202) 225-0699

Brainerd Office: Brainerd City Hall, 501 Laurel St., Brainerd, MN 56401

Phone: (218) 454-4078 **Fax:** (218) 454-4096

Center City Office: Chisago County Government Center, 313 North Main St., Rm. 103,

Center City, MN 55012 **Phone:** (218) 491-3131

Chisholm Office: 316 W Lake Street, Room 7, Chisholm, MN, 55719

Phone: (218) 491-3131 **Fax:** (218) 464-5098

SUPREME COURT OF THE UNITED STATES

Supreme Court Bldg., 1 First St. NE Washington, DC 20543 **Phone:** (202) 479-3000

Website: supremecourt.gov

Term: Life

Salary: Chief Justice, \$255,500
Associate Justice, \$244,400

Chief Justice: John G. Roberts, Jr., Maryland (2005)

Antonin Scalia, New Jersey (1986)

Anthony M. Kennedy, California (1988)

Clarence Thomas, Washington, D.C. (1991)

Ruth Bader Ginsburg, New York (1993)

Stephen Breyer, California (1994)

Samuel A. Alito, Jr., New Jersey (2006)

Sonia Sotomayor, New York (2009)

Elena Kagan, New York (2010)

Year indicates date appointed to the Supreme Court.



The Collection of the Supreme Court of the United States

The Supreme Court of the United States: (seated, left to right) Justice Thomas, Justice Scalia, Chief Justice Roberts, Justice Kennedy, Justice Ginsburg (standing, left to right) Justice Sotomayor, Justice Breyer, Justice Alito, Justice Kagan

U.S. COURT OF APPEALS FOR THE EIGHTH CIRCUIT

The Eighth Judicial Circuit includes districts in Arkansas, Iowa, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, North Dakota and South Dakota.

Main Office: Thomas F. Eagleton Courthouse, 111 S. 10th St., St. Louis, MO 63102
Phone: (314) 244-2400 **Website:** www.ca8.uscourts.gov

Clerk of the Circuit Court: Michael E. Gans, St. Louis, MO

St. Paul Office: 316 N. Robert St., Room 500, St. Paul, MN 55101
Phone: (651) 848-1300

Chief Judge: William Jay Riley, Nebraska

Senior Judges:

C. Arlen Beam, NE; Pasco M. Bowman, MO; Myron H. Bright, ND; Michael J. Melloy, IA

Circuit Judges:

Duane Benton, MO

Kermit E. Bye, ND

Steven M. Colleton, IA

Raymond W. Gruender, MO

Jane Kelly, IA

James B. Loken, MN

Diana E. Murphy, MN

Bobby E. Shepherd, AR

Lavenski R. Smith, AR

Roger L. Wollman, SD

U.S. DISTRICT COURT

Minnesota constitutes one judicial district divided into six divisions. The clerk maintains offices in the third, fourth, and fifth divisions. Correspondence related to cases in other divisions may be mailed to any of the divisional offices. Both full-time and part-time magistrates serve at-large in Minnesota.

Third Division: Warren E. Burger U.S. Courthouse, 316 N. Robert St., St. Paul, MN 55101
Phone: (651) 848-1100

Fourth Division: U.S. Courthouse, 300 S. 4th St., Minneapolis, MN 55415 Phone: (612) 664-5000

Fifth Division: Gerald W. Heaney U.S. Courthouse, 515 W. 1st St., Duluth, MN 55802

Phone: (218) 529-3500

Sixth Division: Edward J. Devitt U.S. Courthouse, 118 Mill St. S., Fergus Falls, MN 56537

Phone: (218) 739-5758

Clerk of the District Court: Richard D. Sletten

District Judges in Minneapolis:

Michael J. Davis, Chief Judge

John R. Tunheim

Ann D. Montgomery

Joan N. Ericksen

Patrick J. Schiltz

David S. Doty, Senior Judge

Magistrate Judge in Minneapolis:

Janie S. Mayeron

Franklin L. Noel

Magistrate Judge in Duluth:

Leo I. Brisbois

District Judges in St. Paul:

Donovan W. Frank

Susan R. Nelson

Donald D. Alsop, Senior Judge

Paul A. Magnuson, Senior Judge

Richard H. Kyle, Senior Judge

Magistrate Judges in St. Paul:

Hildy Bowbeer

Jeffrey J. Keyes

Steven E. Rau

Tony N. Leung

Becky R. Thorson

**OFFICE OF U.S. ATTORNEY
DISTRICT OF MINNESOTA**

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St. Paul: 316 North Robert Street, Suite 404, St. Paul, MN 55101

Phone: (612) 664-5600 **Toll-free:** (888) 264-5107 **Website:** justice.gov/usao/mn

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LeeAnn Bell	Lisa Kirkpatrick	Manda Sertich
Ann Bildtsen	John Kokkinen	Friedrich Siekert
Chad Blumenfeld	Charles Kovats, Jr.	Allen Slaughter
Amber Brennan	James Lackner	David Steinkamp
Lonnie Bryan	Benjamin Langner	Kimberly Svendsen
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Michael Cheever	John Docherty	Clifford Wardlaw
Bradley Endicott	Richard Newberry	D. Jerry Wilhelm
David Fuller	Jeffrey Paulsen	Andrew Winter
	Nathan Petterson	

**U. S. Attorneys Since Statehood
District of Minnesota**

Henry L. Moss 1849-1853	Phillip Neville 1952-1953
John E. Warren 1854-1855	George E. MacKinnon 1953-1958
Eugene M. Wilson 1857-1861	Fallon Kelly 1958-1961
Henry L. Moss 1863-1868	Miles W. Lord 1961-1966
Cushman K. Davis 1868-1873	Patrick J. Foley 1966-1969
William W. Billson 1873-1882	Robert G. Renner 1969-1977
D.B. Searle 1882-1885	Andrew W. Danielson 1977-1979
George N. Baxter 1885-1890	Thomas K. Berg 1980-1981
Eugene G. Hay 1890-1894	James M. Rosenbaum 1981-1985
E.C. Stringer 1894-1898	Jerome G. Arnold 1986-1991
Charles C. Houpt 1902-1914	Thomas B. Heffelfinger 1991-1993
Alfred Jaques 1914-1922	David L. Lillehaug 1994-1998
Layfayette French Jr. 1922-1928	B. Todd Jones 1998-2001
Lewis L. Dull 1928-1933	Thomas B. Heffelfinger 2001-2006
George F. Sullivan 1933-1937	Rachel K. Paulose 2006-2007
Victor E. Anderson 1937-1948	B. Todd Jones 2009-2013
John W. Graff 1948-1949	Andrew M. Luger 2014-present
Clarence Landrum 1949-1952	

PRESIDENTS AND VICE PRESIDENTS OF THE UNITED STATES

President	Party Designation	Term	Vice President
George Washington	None, Federalist	1789-1797	John Adams
John Adams	Federalist	1797-1801	Thomas Jefferson
Thomas Jefferson	Democratic-Republican	1801-1809	Aaron Burr, George Clinton
James Madison	Democratic-Republican	1809-1817	George Clinton ¹⁰ , Elbridge Gerry ¹¹
James Monroe	Democratic-Republican	1817-1825	Daniel Tompkins
John Quincy Adams	Democratic-Republican	1825-1829	John Calhoun
Andrew Jackson	Democrat	1829-1837	John Calhoun ¹² , Martin van Buren
Martin van Buren	Democrat	1837-1841	Richard Johnson
William H. Harrison ¹	Whig	1841	John Tyler
John Tyler	Whig	1841-1845	vacant ¹³
James K. Polk	Democrat	1845-1849	George Dallas
Zachary Taylor ²	Whig	1849-1850	Millard Fillmore
Millard Fillmore	Whig	1850-1853	vacant ¹³
Franklin Pierce	Democrat	1853-1857	William King
James Buchanan	Democrat	1857-1861	John Breckinridge
Abraham Lincoln ³	Republican	1861-1865	Hannibal Hamlin, Andrew Johnson
Andrew Johnson	National Union	1865-1869	vacant ¹³
Ulysses S. Grant	Republican	1869-1873	Schuyler Colfax, Henry Wilson
Rutherford Hayes	Republican	1877-1881	William Wheeler
James Garfield ⁴	Republican	1881	Chester Arthur
Chester Arthur	Republican	1881-1885	vacant ¹³
Grover Cleveland	Democrat	1885-1889	Thomas Hendriks
Benjamin Harrison	Republican	1889-1893	Levi Morton
Grover Cleveland	Democrat	1893-1897	Adlai Stevenson
William McKinley ⁵	Republican	1897-1901	Garret Hobart, Theodore Roosevelt
Theodore Roosevelt	Republican	1901-1909	Charles Fairbanks
William Taft	Republican	1909-1913	James Sherman
Woodrow Wilson	Democrat	1913-1921	Thomas Marshall
Warren Harding ⁶	Republican	1921-1923	Calvin Coolidge
Calvin Coolidge	Republican	1923-1929	Charles Dawes
Herbert C. Hoover	Republican	1929-1933	Charles Curtis
Franklin Delano Roosevelt ⁷	Democrat	1933-1945	John Garner, Henry Wallace, Harry S. Truman
Harry S. Truman	Democrat	1945-1953	Alben Barkley
Dwight David Eisenhower	Republican	1953-1961	Richard Milhous Nixon
John Fitzgerald Kennedy ⁸	Democrat	1961-1963	Lyndon Baines Johnson
Lyndon Baines Johnson	Democrat	1963-1969	Hubert Horatio Humphrey
Richard Milhous Nixon ⁹	Republican	1969-1974	Spiro Theodore Agnew ¹⁴ , Gerald R. Ford
Gerald R. Ford	Republican	1974-1977	Nelson Aldrich Rockefeller
James "Jimmy" Earl Carter, Jr.	Democrat	1977-1981	Walter Frederick Mondale
Ronald Wilson Reagan	Republican	1981-1989	George Herbert Walker Bush
George Herbert Walker Bush	Republican	1989-1993	James Danforth "Dan" Quayle
William "Bill" Jefferson Clinton	Democrat	1993-2001	Albert "Al" Arnold Gore
George Walker Bush	Republican	2001-2009	Richard "Dick" Bruce Cheney
Barack Hussein Obama	Democrat	2009-	Joseph "Joe" Robinette Biden Jr.

¹Died in office, April 4, 1841, and succeeded by Vice President Tyler.

²Died in office, July 9, 1850, and succeeded by Vice President Fillmore.

³Assassinated April 14, 1865, and succeeded by Vice President Johnson, April 15, 1865.

⁴Died September 19, 1881, from wounds by assassin, and succeeded by Vice President Arthur.

⁵Died September 14, 1901, from wounds by assassin, and succeeded by Vice President Roosevelt.

⁶Died in office, August 2, 1923, and succeeded by Vice President Coolidge.

⁷Died in office, April 12, 1945, and succeeded by Vice President Truman.

⁸Assassinated November 22, 1963, and succeeded by Vice President Johnson.

⁹Resigned on August 9, 1974, and succeeded by Vice President Ford.

¹⁰Died in office, April 20, 1812.

¹¹Died in office, November 23, 1814.

¹²Resigned December 28, 1832, to become U.S. Senator.

¹³Prior to the adoption of the 25th amendment in 1967, no constitutional provision existed to fill a vice-presidential vacancy.

¹⁴Resigned October 10, 1973.

MINNESOTANS IN CONGRESS SINCE STATEHOOD

UNITED STATES SENATOR

SEAT I

James Shields, Democrat: May 11, 1858 to March 3, 1859
 Morton S. Wilkinson, Republican: March 4, 1859 to March 3, 1865
 Daniel S. Norton, Republican: March 4, 1865 to July 13, 1870
 William Windom, Republican: July 16, 1870 to January 18, 1871
 O. P. Stearns, Republican: January 18, 1871 to March 3, 1871
 William Windom, Republican: March 4, 1871 to March 12, 1881
 A. J. Edgerton, Republican: March 14, 1881 to October 26, 1881
 William Windom, Republican: October 26, 1881 to March 3, 1883
 D. M. Sabin, Republican: March 4, 1883 to March 4, 1889
 W. D. Washburn, Republican: March 4, 1889 to March 4, 1895
 Knute Nelson, Republican: March 4, 1895 to April 28, 1923
 Magnus Johnson, Farmer-Labor: July 16, 1923 to March 4, 1925
 Thomas D. Schall, Republican: March 4, 1925 to December 23, 1935
 Elmer A. Benson, Farmer-Labor: December 27, 1935 to November 3, 1936
 Guy V. Howard, Republican: November 3, 1936 to January 3, 1937
 Ernest Lundeen, Farmer-Labor: January 3, 1937 to August 31, 1940
 Joseph H. Ball, Republican: October 14, 1940 to November 18, 1942
 Arthur E. Nelson, Republican: November 18, 1942 to January 6, 1943
 Joseph H. Ball, Republican: January 6, 1943 to January 3, 1949
 Hubert H. Humphrey, Democratic-Farmer-Labor: January 3, 1949 to December 29, 1964
 Walter F. Mondale, Democratic-Farmer-Labor: December 30, 1964 to December 30, 1976
 Wendell R. Anderson, Democratic-Farmer-Labor: December 30, 1976 to December 29, 1978
 Rudy Boschwitz, Independent-Republican: December 30, 1978 to January 3, 1991
 Paul D. Wellstone, Democratic-Farmer-Labor: January 3, 1991 to October 25, 2002
 Dean Barkley, Independence: November 12, 2002 to January 3, 2003
 Norm Coleman, Republican: January 3, 2003 to January 3, 2009
 Al Franken, Democratic-Farmer-Labor: July 7, 2009 - present

SEAT II

Henry M. Rice, Democrat: May 11, 1858 to March 3, 1863
 Alexander Ramsey, Republican: March 4, 1863 to March 3, 1875
 S. J. R. McMillan, Republican: March 6, 1875 to March 3, 1887
 C. K. Davis, Republican: March 4, 1887 to November 27, 1900
 Charles A. Towne, Democrat: December 5, 1900 to January 23, 1901
 Moses E. Clapp, Republican: January 23, 1901 to March 4, 1917
 Frank B. Kellogg, Republican: March 4, 1917 to March 4, 1923
 Henrik Shipstead, Farmer-Labor: March 4, 1923 to January 3, 1947 (was a Republican 1941-47)
 Edward J. Thye, Republican: January 3, 1947 to January 3, 1959
 Eugene J. McCarthy, Democratic-Farmer-Labor: January 3, 1959 to January 3, 1971
 Hubert H. Humphrey, Democratic-Farmer-Labor: January 3, 1971 to January 13, 1978
 Muriel Humphrey, Democratic-Farmer-Labor: January 25, 1978 to November 7, 1978
 Dave Durenberger, Independent-Republican: November 8, 1978 to January 3, 1995
 Rod Grams, Republican: January 3, 1995 to January 3, 2001
 Mark Dayton, Democratic-Farmer-Labor: January 3, 2001 to January 3, 2007
 Amy Klobuchar, Democratic-Farmer-Labor: January 3, 2007 - present

UNITED STATES REPRESENTATIVES

At Large

J. M. Cavanaugh, Democrat: May 12, 1858 to March 4, 1859
William Windom, Republican: March 4, 1859 to March 4, 1863
Cyrus Aldrich, Republican: March 4, 1859 to March 4, 1863
James Manahan, Republican: March 4, 1913 to March 4, 1915
Ray P. Chase, Republican: March 4, 1933 to January 3, 1935
Theodore Christianson, Republican: March 4, 1933 to January 3, 1935
Harold Knutson, Republican: March 4, 1933 to January 3, 1935
Henry Arens, Farmer-Labor: March 4, 1933 to January 3, 1935
Magnus Johnson, Farmer-Labor: March 4, 1933 to January 3, 1935
Paul John Kvale, Farmer-Labor: March 4, 1933 to January 3, 1935
Ernest Lundeen, Farmer-Labor: March 4, 1933 to January 3, 1935
F. H. Shoemaker, Farmer-Labor: March 4, 1933 to January 3, 1935
Elnar Hoidale, Democrat: March 4, 1933 to January 3, 1935

First District

William Windom, Republican: March 4, 1863 to March 4, 1869
Morton S. Wilkinson, Republican: March 4, 1869 to March 4, 1871
Mark H. Dunnell, Republican: March 4, 1871 to March 4, 1883
Milo White, Republican: March 4, 1883 to March 4, 1887
Thomas Wilson, Democrat: March 4, 1887 to March 4, 1889
Mark H. Dunnell, Republican: March 4, 1889 to March 4, 1891
W. H. Harries, Democrat: March 4, 1891 to March 4, 1893
James A. Tawney, Republican: March 4, 1893 to March 4, 1911
Sydney Anderson, Republican: March 4, 1911 to March 4, 1925
Allen J. Furlow, Republican: March 4, 1925 to March 4, 1929
Victor Christgau, Republican: March 4, 1929 to March 4, 1933
August H. Andresen, Republican: January 3, 1935 to January 14, 1958
Albert H. Quie, Republican: March 6, 1958 to January 1, 1979
Arlen Erdahl, Independent-Republican: January 3, 1979 to January 3, 1983
Timothy J. Penny, Democratic-Farmer-Labor: January 3, 1983 to January 3, 1995
Gil Gutknecht, Republican: January 3, 1995 to January 3, 2007
Tim Walz, Democratic-Farmer-Labor: January 3, 2007 - present

Second District

Ignatius Donnelly, Republican: March 4, 1863 to March 4, 1869
Eugene M. Wilson, Democrat: March 4, 1869 to March 4, 1871
John T. Averill, Republican: March 4, 1871 to March 4, 1873
H. B. Strait, Republican: March 4, 1873 to March 4, 1879
Henry Poehler, Democrat: March 4, 1879 to March 4, 1881
H. B. Strait, Republican: March 4, 1881 to March 4, 1883
J. B. Wakefield, Republican: March 4, 1883 to March 4, 1887
John Lind, Republican: March 4, 1887 to March 4, 1893
James T. McCleary, Republican: March 4, 1893 to March 4, 1907
W. S. Hammond, Democrat: March 4, 1907 to March 4, 1915
Franklin F. Ellsworth, Republican: March 4, 1915 to March 4, 1921
Frank Clague, Republican: March 4, 1921 to March 4, 1933
Elmer J. Ryan, Democrat: January 3, 1935 to January 3, 1941
Joseph P. O'Hara, Republican: January 3, 1941 to January 3, 1959
Ancher Nelsen, Republican: January 3, 1959 to December 31, 1974
Tom Hagedorn, Independent-Republican: January 3, 1975 to January 3, 1983
Vin Weber, Independent-Republican: January 3, 1983 to January 3, 1993
David Minge, Democratic-Farmer-Labor: January 3, 1993 to January 3, 2001
Mark Kennedy, Republican: January 3, 2001 to January 3, 2003
John Kline, Republican: January 3, 2003 - present

Third District

John T. Averill, Republican: March 4, 1873 to March 4, 1875
 William S. King, Republican: March 4, 1875 to March 4, 1877
 Jacob H. Stewart, Republican: March 4, 1877 to March 4, 1879
 William D. Washburn, Republican: March 4, 1879 to March 4, 1883
 H. B. Strait, Republican: March 4, 1883 to March 4, 1887
 John L. MacDonald, Democrat: March 4, 1887 to March 4, 1889
 Darwin S. Hall, Republican: March 4, 1889 to March 4, 1891
 O. M. Hall, Democrat: March 4, 1891 to March 4, 1895
 Joel P. Heatwole, Republican: March 4, 1895 to March 4, 1903
 Charles R. Davis, Republican: March 4, 1903 to March 4, 1925
 August H. Andresen, Republican: March 4, 1925 to March 4, 1933
 Ernest Lundeen, Farmer-Labor: January 3, 1935 to January 3, 1937
 Henry G. Teigan, Farmer-Labor: January 3, 1937 to January 3, 1939
 John G. Alexander, Republican: January 3, 1939 to January 3, 1941
 Richard "Dick" P. Gale, Republican: January 3, 1941 to January 3, 1945
 William J. Gallagher, Democratic-Farmer-Labor: January 3, 1945 to August 13, 1946
 George MacKinnon, Republican: January 3, 1947 to January 3, 1949
 Roy W. Wier, Democratic-Farmer-Labor: January 3, 1949 to January 3, 1961
 Clark MacGregor, Republican: January 3, 1961 to January 3, 1971
 Bill Frenzel, Independent-Republican: January 3, 1971 to January 3, 1991
 Jim Ramstad, Republican: January 3, 1991 to January 3, 2009
 Erik Paulsen, Republican: January 3, 2009 - present

Fourth District

W. D. Washburn, Republican: March 4, 1883 to March 4, 1885
 J. B. Gilfillan, Republican: March 4, 1885 to March 4, 1887
 Edmund Rice, Democrat: March 4, 1887 to March 4, 1889
 S. P. Snider, Republican: March 4, 1889 to March 4, 1891
 J. N. Castle, Democrat: March 4, 1891 to March 4, 1893
 Andrew R. Kiefer, Republican: March 4, 1893 to March 4, 1897
 Frederick C. Stevens, Republican: March 4, 1897 to March 4, 1915
 Carl C. Van Dyke, Democrat: March 4, 1915 to May 20, 1919
 Oscar E. Keller, Republican: July 10, 1919 to March 4, 1927
 Melvin J. Maas, Republican: March 4, 1927 to March 3, 1933
 Melvin J. Maas, Republican: January 3, 1935 to January 3, 1945
 Frank T. Starkey, Democratic-Farmer-Labor: January 3, 1945 to January 3, 1947
 Edward J. Devitt, Republican: January 3, 1947 to January 3, 1949
 Eugene J. McCarthy, Democratic-Farmer-Labor: January 3, 1949 to January 3, 1959
 Joseph E. Karth, Democratic-Farmer-Labor: January 3, 1959 to January 3, 1977
 Bruce F. Vento, Democratic-Farmer-Labor: January 3, 1977 to October 10, 2000
 Betty McCollum, Democratic-Farmer-Labor; January 3, 2001 - present

Fifth District

Knute Nelson, Republican: March 4, 1883 to March 4, 1889
S. G. Comstock, Republican: March 4, 1889 to March 4, 1891
Kittel Halvorson, Alliance: March 4, 1891 to March 4, 1893
Loren Fletcher, Republican: March 4, 1893 to March 4, 1903
John Lind, Democrat: March 4, 1903 to March 4, 1905
Loren Fletcher, Republican: March 4, 1905 to March 4, 1907
Frank M. Nye, Republican: March 4, 1907 to March 4, 1913
George R. Smith, Republican: March 4, 1913 to March 4, 1917
Ernest Lundeen, Republican: March 4, 1917 to March 4, 1919
Walter H. Newton, Republican: March 4, 1919 to June 30, 1929
W. I. Nolan, Republican: July 1, 1929 to March 4, 1933
Theodore Christianson, Republican: January 3, 1935 to January 3, 1937
Dewey William Johnson, Farmer-Labor: January 3, 1937 to January 3, 1939
Oscar Youngdahl, Republican: January 3, 1939 to January 3, 1943
Walter H. Judd, Republican: January 3, 1943 to January 3, 1963
Donald M. Fraser, Democratic-Farmer-Labor: January 3, 1963 to January 3, 1979
Martin Olav Sabo, Democratic-Farmer-Labor: January 3, 1979 to January 3, 2007
Keith Ellison, Democratic-Farmer-Labor: January 3, 2007 - present

Sixth District

M. R. Baldwin, Democrat: March 4, 1893 to March 4, 1895
Charles A. Towne, Republican: March 4, 1895 to March 4, 1897
Robert Page Morris, Republican: March 4, 1897 to March 4, 1903
C. B. Buckman, Republican: March 4, 1903 to March 4, 1907
Charles A. Lindbergh, Republican: March 4, 1907 to March 4, 1917
Harold Knutson, Republican: March 4, 1917 to March 4, 1933
Harold Knutson, Republican: January 3, 1935 to January 3, 1949
Fred Marshall, Democratic-Farmer-Labor: January 3, 1949 to January 3, 1963
Alec G. Olson, Democratic-Farmer-Labor: January 3, 1963 to January 3, 1967
John M. Zwach, Republican: January 3, 1967 to January 3, 1975
Richard Nolan, Democratic-Farmer-Labor: January 3, 1975 to January 3, 1981
Vin Weber, Independent-Republican: January 3, 1981 to January 3, 1983
Gerry Sikorski, Democratic-Farmer-Labor: January 3, 1983 to January 3, 1993
Rod Grams, Independent-Republican: January 3, 1993 to January 3, 1995
Bill Luther, Democratic-Farmer-Labor: January 3, 1995 to January 3, 2003
Mark Kennedy, Republican: January 3, 2003 to January 3, 2007
Michele Bachmann, Republican: January 3, 2007 to January 3, 2015
Tom Emmer, Republican: January 3, 2015 - present

Seventh District

Haldor E. Boen, People's Party: March 4, 1893 to March 4, 1895
Frank M. Eddy, Republican: March 4, 1895 to March 4, 1903
Andrew J. Volstead, Republican: March 4, 1903 to March 4, 1923
O. J. Kvale, Independent: March 4, 1923 to March 4, 1925
O. J. Kvale, Farmer-Labor: March 4, 1925 to September 11, 1929
Paul John Kvale, Farmer-Labor: October 16, 1929 to March 4, 1933
Paul John Kvale, Farmer-Labor: January 3, 1935 to January 3, 1939
H. Carl Andersen, Republican: January 3, 1939 to January 3, 1963
Odin Langen, Republican: January 3, 1963 to January 3, 1971
Bob Bergland, Democratic-Farmer-Labor, January 3, 1971 to January 22, 1977
Arlan Stangeland, Independent-Republican: February 22, 1977 to January 3, 1991
Collin C. Peterson, Democratic-Farmer-Labor: January 3, 1991 - present

Eighth District

J. Adam Bede, Republican: March 4, 1903 to March 4, 1909
 Clarence B. Miller, Republican: March 4, 1909 to March 4, 1919
 William L. Carss, Independent: March 4, 1919 to March 4, 1921
 Oscar J. Larson, Republican: March 4, 1921 to March 4, 1925
 William L. Carss, Farmer-Labor: March 4, 1925 to March 4, 1929
 William A. Pittenger, Republican: March 4, 1929 to March 4, 1933
 William A. Pittenger, Republican: January 3, 1935 to January 3, 1937
 John T. Bernard, Farmer-Labor: January 3, 1937 to January 3, 1939
 William A. Pittenger, Republican: January 3, 1939 to January 3, 1947
 John A. Blatnik, Democratic-Farmer-Labor: January 3, 1947 to December 31, 1974
 James Oberstar, Democratic-Farmer-Labor: January 3, 1975 to January 3, 2011
 Chip Cravaack, Republican: January 3, 2011 - January 3, 2013
 Richard Nolan, Democratic-Farmer-Labor: January 3, 2013 - present

Ninth District

Halvor Steenerson, Republican: March 4, 1903 to March 4, 1923
 Knud Wefald, Farmer-Labor: March 4, 1923 to March 4, 1927
 Conrad G. Selvig, Republican: March 4, 1927 to March 4, 1933
 Richard Thompson Buckler, Farmer-Labor: January 3, 1935 to January 3, 1943
 Harold C. Hagen, Farmer-Labor: January 3, 1943 to January 3, 1945
 Harold C. Hagen, Republican: January 3, 1945 to January 3, 1955
 Coya Knutson, Democratic-Farmer-Labor: January 3, 1955 to January 3, 1959
 Odin Langen, Republican: January 3, 1959 to January 3, 1963

Tenth District

Thomas D. Schall, Progressive: March 4, 1915 to March 4, 1919
 Thomas D. Schall, Republican: March 4, 1919 to March 4, 1925
 Godfrey G. Goodwin, Republican: March 4, 1925 to March 4, 1933

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Pierce Butler, associate justice, United States Supreme Court (1923–1939).

Born March 17, 1866, Dakota County. Education: Carleton College (1877); read law in office of Pinch and Twohy; assistant county attorney (1891–93), county attorney (1893–97); railroad counsel, law practice; regent, University of Minnesota (17 years); U.S. Supreme Court (1923–39). Died November 16, 1939.

William O. Douglas, associate justice, United States Supreme Court (1939–1975).

Born October 16, 1898, Maine Township, Minnesota. Education: Whitman College (1920), Columbia University Law School (1925); law practice (1925–27); faculty, Columbia University (1928–29); faculty, Yale University (1929–1936); commissioner, U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (1936–39); U.S. Supreme Court (1939–75). Died January 19, 1980.

Warren E. Burger, chief justice, United States Supreme Court (1969–1986).

Born September 17, 1907, St. Paul. Education: University of Minnesota, St. Paul (now William Mitchell) College of Law (1931, magna cum laude); law practice; faculty, William Mitchell College of Law; U.S. assistant attorney general, U.S. Court of Appeals (1956–69); U.S. Supreme Court (1969–86); chair, Commission on the Bicentennial of the United States Constitution. Died June 25, 1995.

Harry A. Blackmun, associate justice, United States Supreme Court (1970–1994).

Born November 12, 1908, Nashville, Illinois. Education: Harvard University (A.B. 1929, summa cum laude, Phi Beta Kappa; LL.B. 1932); law practice; faculty, William Mitchell College of Law, University of Minnesota Law School; resident counsel, Mayo Clinic and Mayo Association; U.S. Court of Appeals (1959–70); U.S. Supreme Court (1970–94). Died March 4, 1999.

Voting Rights Act of 1965 - 50th Anniversary

The voting rights bill supported by President Lyndon B. Johnson's administration was widely debated among members of Congress. In fact, a group of Republicans in the United States House of Representatives put forth a substitute bill to be considered in place of the bill supported by the Johnson administration. The congressman who summed up the Republican position on the bill before the final vote was Clark MacGregor, who represented Minnesota's 3rd Congressional District. The St. Paul Pioneer Press published an editorial on July 9, 1965, praising Rep. MacGregor for his "worthwhile if lost cause."

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Machinery to determine who is qualified to vote in the district would then be started.

The "trigger" is much more simple: the McCulloch bill is less arbitrary and harsh than the administration proposal and achieves the same ends with less federal control over a state's election processes. Nor would its impact be limited to the South.

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