

GOVERNORS OF THE STATE OF MARYLAND

Elected Under the Constitution of 1776 by the Legislature for One Year

1777—Thomas Johnson	1809—Edward Lloyd
1779—Thomas Sim Lee	1811—Robert Bowie
1782—William Paca	1812—Levin Winder
1785—William Smallwood	1816—Chas. Ridgely, of Hampton
1788—John Eager Howard	1819—Charles Goldsborough
1791—George Plater	1819—Samuel Sprigg
1792—James Brice*	1822—Samuel Stevens, Jr.
1792—Thomas Sim Lee	1826—Joseph Kent
1794—John H. Stone	1829—Daniel Martin
1797—John Henry	1830—Thomas King Carroll
1798—Benjamin Ogle	1831—Daniel Martin
1801—John Francis Mercer	1831—George Howard ‡
1803—Robert Bowie	1833—James Thomas
1806—Robert Wright	1836—Thomas W. Veazey
1809—James Butcher †	

* Became Governor upon the death of Governor Plater, February 1792.

† Governor for one month, May-June 1809, following the resignation of Governor Wright and before the convening of a special session of the Legislature.

‡ Became Governor on the death of Governor Martin, July 1831.

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Elected by the People for Three Years Under the Constitution of 1776 as Amended in 1838

William Grason.....	Queen Anne's County.....	1839
Francis Thomas.....	Frederick County.....	1842
Thomas G. Pratt.....	Prince George's County.....	1845
Philip F. Thomas.....	Talbot County.....	1848
Enoch Louis Lowe.....	Frederick County.....	1851

Elected Under the Constitution of 1851 by the People for Four Years

Thomas Watkins Ligon.....	Howard County.....	1854
Thomas Holliday Hicks.....	Dorchester County.....	1858
Augustus W. Bradford.....	Baltimore County.....	1862

Elected Under the Constitution of 1864 by the People for Four Years

Thomas Swann.....	Baltimore City.....	1866
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Elected Under the Constitution of 1867 by the People for Four Years

*Oden Bowie.....	Prince George's County.....	1869
William Pinkney Whyte.....	Baltimore City.....	1872
†James Black Groome.....	Cecil County.....	1874
John Lee Carroll.....	Howard County.....	1876
William T. Hamilton.....	Washington County.....	1880
Robert M. McLane.....	Baltimore City.....	1884
‡Henry Lloyd.....	Dorchester County.....	1885
Elihu E. Jackson.....	Wicomico County.....	1888
Frank Brown.....	Carroll County.....	1892
Lloyd Lowndes.....	Allegany County.....	1896
John Walter Smith.....	Worcester County.....	1900
Edwin Warfield.....	Howard County.....	1904
Austin L. Crothers.....	Cecil County.....	1908
Phillips Lee Goldsborough.....	Dorchester County.....	1912
Emerson C. Harrington.....	Dorchester County.....	1916
§Albert C. Ritchie.....	Baltimore City.....	1920
Harry W. Nice.....	Baltimore City.....	1935
Herbert R. O'Connor.....	Baltimore City.....	1939
Wm. Preston Lane, Jr.....	Washington County.....	1947
Theodore R. McKeldin.....	Baltimore City.....	1951

* Served three years by special provision of the Constitution.

† Became Governor on the resignation of Governor Whyte, March 1874.

‡ Became Governor on the resignation of Governor McLane, March 1885.

§ Due to constitutional amendment of 1922, providing for quadrennial elections, the Governor elected in 1923 served three years. Thereafter gubernatorial terms began in odd years.