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U.S. SENATORS, Terms of Service

CLASS 1

1791-1797

Moses R. Robinson [1](#), Bennington

Isaac Tichenor, Bennington

1797-1803

Nathaniel Chipman, Tinmouth

1803-1809

Israel Smith [2](#), Rutland

Jonathan Robinson, Bennington

1809-1815

Jonathan Robinson, Bennington

1815-1821

Isaac Tichenor, Bennington

1821-1827

Horatio Seymour, Middlebury

1827-1833

Horatio Seymour, Middlebury

1833-1839

Benjamin Swift, St. Albans

1839-1845

Samuel S. Phelps, Middlebury

1845-1851

Samuel S. Phelps, Middlebury

1851-1857

Solomon Foot, Rutland

CLASS 3

1791-1795

Stephen R. Bradley, Westminster

1795-1801

Elijah Paine, Williamstown

1801-1807

Elijah Paine [3](#), Williamstown

Stephen R. Bradley, Westminster

1807-1813

Stephen R. Bradley, Westminster

1813-1819

Dudley Chase [4](#), Randolph

James Fisk [5](#), Barre

William A. Palmer, Danville

1819-1825

William A. Palmer, Danville

1825-1831

Dudley Chase, Randolph

1831-1837

Samuel Prentiss, Montpelier

1837-1843

Samuel Prentiss [6](#), Montpelier

Samuel C. Crafts, Craftsbury

1843-1849

William Upham, Montpelier

1849-1855

William Upham [7](#), Montpelier

Samuel S. Phelps, Middlebury

Lawrence Brainerd, St. Albans

1857-1863

Solomon Foot, Rutland

1863-1869

Solomon Foot [8](#), Rutland

George F. Edmunds, Burlington

1869-1875

George F. Edmunds, Burlington

1875-1881

George F. Edmunds, Burlington

1881-1887

George F. Edmunds, Burlington

1887-1893

George F. Edmunds [10](#), Burlington

Redfield Proctor, Proctor

1893-1899

Redfield Proctor, Proctor

1899-1905

Redfield Proctor, Proctor

1905-1911

Redfield Proctor [12](#), Proctor

John W. Stewart, Middlebury

Carroll S. Page, Hyde Park

1911-1917

Carroll S. Page, Hyde Park

1917-1923

Carroll S. Page, Hyde Park

1923-1929

Frank L. Greene, St. Albans City

1929-1935

Frank L. Greene [14](#), St. Albans City

Frank C. Partridge, Proctor

Warren R. Austin, Burlington

1935-1941

1855-1861

Jacob Collamer, Woodstock

1861-1867

Jacob Collamer [9](#), Woodstock

Luke P. Poland, St. Johnsbury

1867-1873

Justin S. Morrill, Strafford

1873-1879

Justin S. Morrill, Strafford

1879-1885

Justin S. Morrill, Strafford

1885-1891

Justin S. Morrill, Strafford

1891-1897

Justin S. Morrill, Strafford

1897-1903

Justin S. Morrill [11](#), Strafford

Jonathan Ross, St. Johnsbury

William P. Dillingham, Waterbury

1903-1909

William P. Dillingham, Waterbury

1909-1915

William P. Dillingham, Waterbury

1915-1921

William P. Dillingham, Waterbury

1921-1927

William P. Dillingham [13](#), Waterbury

Porter H. Dale, Brighton

1927-1933

Porter H. Dale, Brighton

1933-1939

Warren R. Austin, Burlington

1941-1947

Warren R. Austin [16](#), Burlington

Ralph E. Flanders, Springfield

1947-1953

Ralph E. Flanders, Springfield

1953-1959

Ralph E. Flanders, Springfield

1959-1965

Winston L. Prouty, Newport City

1965-1971

Winston L. Prouty, Newport City

1971-1977

Winston L. Prouty [18](#), Newport City

Robert T. Stafford, Rutland City

1977-1983

Robert T. Stafford, Rutland City

1983-1989

Robert T. Stafford, Rutland City

1989-1995

James M. Jeffords, Shrewsbury

1995-2001

James M. Jeffords, Shrewsbury

2001-2007

James M. Jeffords, Shrewsbury

2007-2013

Bernard Sanders, Burlington

Porter H. Dale [15](#), Brighton

Ernest W. Gibson, Sr., Brattleboro

1939-1945

Ernest W. Gibson, Sr. [17](#), Brattleboro

Ernest W. Gibson, Jr., Brattleboro

George D. Aiken, Putney

1945-1951

George D. Aiken, Putney

1951-1957

George D. Aiken, Putney

1957-1963

George D. Aiken, Putney

1963-1969

George D. Aiken, Putney

1969-1975

George D. Aiken, Putney

1975-1981

Patrick J. Leahy, Burlington

1981-1987

Patrick J. Leahy, Burlington

1987-1993

Patrick J. Leahy, Burlington

1993-1999

Patrick J. Leahy, Burlington

1999-2005

Patrick J. Leahy, Burlington

2005-2011

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NOTES: U.S. SENATORS, Terms of Service

- 1. On January 19, 1791 Vermont elected Robinson and Bradley to six-year terms in the U.S. Senate. Vermont, however, did not officially join the Union until March 4th, so the election was premature and both men resigned. On October 17, 1791 they were re-elected. In a subsequent determination in the Senate by the drawing of lots, Robinson was assigned to Class 1 for an initial six-year term and Bradley was assigned to Class 3 for an initial four-year term. Robinson resigned on October 15, 1796; Tichenor was elected on October 18, 1796 for the balance of the term but resigned in 1797 to become governor. [RETURN TO TEXT](#)**
- 2. Smith resigned October 1, 1807 to become governor; Robinson elected October 10, 1807. [RETURN TO TEXT](#)**
- 3. Paine resigned to become U.S. District Judge for District of Vermont; Bradley was elected in 1801. [RETURN TO TEXT](#)**
- 4. Chase resigned November 3, 1817 to become Chief Judge of the Vermont Supreme Court; Fisk elected November 4, 1817. [RETURN TO TEXT](#)**
- 5. Fisk resigned January 29, 1818 to become Collector of Customs for Vermont; Palmer elected October 20, 1818. [RETURN TO TEXT](#)**
- 6. Prentiss resigned April 11, 1842 to become U.S. Judge for District of Vermont; Crafts was appointed pending an election, and was elected October 26, 1842. [RETURN TO TEXT](#)**
- 7. Upham died January 14, 1853; On January 17, 1853 Phelps was appointed to fill the vacancy on a temporary basis. After 22 ineffectual ballots the General Assembly could not elect a successor. The U.S. Senate decided on March 16, 1854 that Phelps was not entitled to the seat since Vermont had failed to elect a replacement. Brainerd elected October 14, 1854. [RETURN TO TEXT](#)**
- 8. Foot died March 28, 1866; Edmunds was appointed April 3, 1866 and elected October 23, 1866. [RETURN TO TEXT](#)**
- 9. Collamer died November 9, 1865; Poland was appointed November 21, 1865 and elected October 23, 1866. [RETURN TO TEXT](#)**
- 10. Edmunds resigned in November, 1891; Proctor was appointed pending election and elected**

October 18, 1892. [RETURN TO TEXT](#)

11. Morrill died December 28, 1898; Ross was appointed January 16, 1899 pending an election; Dillingham elected October 18, 1900. [RETURN TO TEXT](#)

12. Proctor died March 4, 1908; Stewart was appointed March 24, 1908 pending an election; Page elected October 20, 1908. [RETURN TO TEXT](#)

13. Dillingham died July 12, 1923; Dale elected November 6, 1923. [RETURN TO TEXT](#)

14. Greene died December 17, 1930; Partridge was appointed December 23, 1930 pending an election; Austin elected March 31, 1931. [RETURN TO TEXT](#)

15. Dale died October 6, 1933; Gibson was appointed November 21, 1933 pending an election, and was elected January 16, 1934. [RETURN TO TEXT](#)

16. Austin resigned August 2, 1946 to accept appointment as the first chief of the United States delegation to the United Nations; Governor Mortimer Proctor appointed Flanders November 1, 1946 (four days before the general election, which Flanders won). [RETURN TO TEXT](#)

17. Gibson, Sr. died June 20, 1940; his son, Ernest, Jr., was appointed June 24, 1940 pending an election; Aiken was elected November 5, 1940 but did not serve until his term as Governor ended January 8, 1941. [RETURN TO TEXT](#)

18. Prouty died September 10, 1971; Stafford was appointed September 16 pending an election and was elected January 7, 1972. [RETURN TO TEXT](#)