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# As of December 31, 1993

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At Large

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January 04, 1993 January 25, 1993 February 08, 1993 February 22, 1993 March 15, 1993 April 12, 1993 April 26, 1993 May 10, 1993 May 24, 1993 June 07, 1993 June 21, 1993 July 12, 1993 August 02, 1993 August 23, 1993

September 13, 1993 September 27, 1993 October 11, 1993 October 25, 1993 November 08, 1993 November 22, 1993 December 13, 1993

# **CITY OFFICIALS**

Deputy Mayor Joseph Loftus
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Office of Corporation Counsel
Office of Youth and Family Services
Cable Communications Agency Jayne Gerdeman
Internal Audit
Department of Administration
Department of Metropolitan Development
Department of Parks and RecreationLeon Younger
Department of Public Works Michael Stayton
Department of Public Safety
Department of Transportation

# MARION COUNTY OFFICIALS

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Community Corrections Julie von Arx
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County Auditor
County Commissioner
County Commissioner
County Commissioner
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County Election Board
County Prosecutor Jeffrey Modisett
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Information Services Agency
Marion County Children's Guardian Home
Marion County Healthcare Center Kenneth Adkins
Marion County Justice Agency Michael Beaver
Marion County Public Defender Agency Frances Watson Hardy
Voters Registration

# TOWNSHIP ASSESSORS

Center Township Assessor James P. Maley, Jr
Decatur Township Assessor
Franklin Township Assessor
Lawrence Township Assessor Jack Graves
Perry Township Assessor
Pike Township Assessor
Warren Township Assessor
Washington Township Assessor
Wayne Township Assessor

# **COURTS**

Marion County Circuit CourtJohn M. Ryan
Marion County Drug CourtJay Haggerty
Municipal Court, Presiding Judge Evan Goodman
Superior Court, Criminal, 1
Superior Court, Criminal, 2 Webster L. Brewer
Superior Court, Criminal, 3 John R. Barney, Jr.
Superior Court, Criminal, 4
Superior Court, Criminal, 5 Gary L. Miller
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Superior Court, Civil, 5 James S. Kirsch
Superior Court, Civil, 6 John F. Hanley
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### History of the Common Council of the City of Indianapolis

Indianapolis was established as a town in 1821. It was at this time that a commission, appointed by the legislature, selected this location as a site for a seat of government of the State of Indiana.

The town of Indianapolis conducted its affairs pursuant to the general laws of the state until 1832. In this year the town was incorporated and was governed by a board of five trustees.

In 1838, pursuant to a special act of the legislature, Indianapolis was reincorporated and placed in the hands of its first town council composed of a president and six members.

The Common Council continued in a large measure to control the affairs of Indianapolis as a town and as a city under various so-called charters or grants of the legislature until 1891.

Under a special act of the legislature of 1891 for the city of Indianapolis, a somewhat different form of government was established. While the council continued to exercise broad control over the city's affairs, various executive departments of the city were provided such as Public Works, Public Safety, Public Parks and Public Health, and were conducted by boards appointed by the mayor. These boards were granted specific powers and duties concerning the city's business previously exercised by the council through committees subject, however, in some cases to approval of the council in all matters of expenditure of money and appropriation of funds by the council.

For some time prior to 1891 the city of Indianapolis was divided into 25 wards represented by 25 ward councilmen. Their term of office was two years and they were eligible for re-election. At this time there was also a separate body operating in conjunction with the council called the Board of Aldermen, composed of ten aldermen representing five aldermanic districts, two being elected from each district.

Under the 1891 act, the Board of Aldermen was abolished and a common council of 21 members was established. Fifteen members were elected to represent 15 wards and six members were elected to represent the city at large.

This form of council continued to exist in Indianapolis under the general cities and towns act of 1905. The act of 1905, while often referred to as the Indianapolis Charter, is very largely a re-enactment of the 1891 Indianapolis Charter, modified to make the Indianapolis system applicable to all classes of cities of the state. The 1905 law increased the term of mayor and councilman to four years and prohibited re-election.

In 1909 a novel councilmanic law for Indianapolis alone was passed by the legislature. That law limited the number of councilmen to nine. The law provided for the nomination of six candidates by each party, one from each of six councilmanic districts. In the election all of the voters of the city could vote for any nine candidates and the nine receiving the highest number of votes were elected. This law insured a minority representation in the council of at least three members. In 1949 the legislature amended the statutes to permit councilmen to succeed themselves.

#### History of the City-County Council of the City of Indianapolis

In 1969 the legislature enacted a law, popularly known as the "Unigov Act," which consolidated the city and county into one governmental unit. The act further provided for the creation of an interim City-County Council which served as the legislative body for the city and county until the new twenty-nine member council was elected in November 1971 and took office in January of 1972.

The council is composed of twenty-five members elected from single member districts and four members elected to at-large by voters of the entire county.

Unified Government of Indianapolis-Marion County is an attempt to make metropolitan government simpler, more functional and more responsive to citizens' needs. Under the new structure, six major departments replaced the more than sixty which were in existence previously.

# EXECUTIVE HEADS OF THE CITY OF INDIANAPOLIS UNDER VARIOUS FORMS OF ORGANIZATION

# PRESIDENTS OF BOARDS OF TRUSTEES

Henderson, Samuel October 12, 1832 to September 30, 1833 Edgar, James (resigned as Trustee) September 30 to December 9, 1833 Blythe, Benjamin I March 7, 1834 to February 14, 1835 Morrison, Alexander F February 14 to October 2, 1835 Palmer, Nathan B October 2, 1835 to April 13, 1836 Lockerbie, George April 13, 1836 to April 4, 1837 Soule, Joshua April 3, 1837 to April 2, 1838
PRESIDENTS OF TOWN COUNCIL
Morrison, James       1838 to 1839         Palmer, Nathan B.       1839 to 1840         Coburn, Henry P.       1840 to 1841         Sullivan, William (resigned November 12, 1841)       1841 to 1844; 1850 to 1853         Wilson, Lazarus B.       1844 to 1845         Levy, Joseph A.       1845 to 1847         Rooker, Samuel S. (resigned November 1, 1847)       1847 to 1848         Cady, Charles W.       1847 to 1848
MAYORS
Henderson, Samuel       1847 to 1849         Newcomb, Horatio C. (resigned November 7, 1851)       1849 to 1851         Scudder, Caleb       1851 to 1854         McCready, James       1854 to 1856         West, Henry F. (died November 8, 1856)       1856         Coulon, Charles (to fill vacancy until November 22, 1856)       1856         Wallace, William John (resigned May 3, 1858)       1856 to 1858         Maxwell, Samuel D.       1858 to 1863         Caven, John       1863 to 1867; 1875 to 1881         Macauley, Daniel       1867 to 1873         Mitchell, James L.       1873 to 1875         Grubbs, Daniel W.       1881 to 1884
McMaster, John L.       1884 to 1886         Denny, Caleb S.       1886 to 1890         Sullivan, Thomas L.       January 1, 1890 to October 12, 1893         Denny, Caleb S.       October 12, 1893 to 1895         Taggart, Thomas       October 10, 1895 to 1901         Bookwalter, Charles A.       October 10, 1901 to 1903         Holtzman, John W.       October 15, 1903 to 1905
Bookwalter, Charles A.       1905 to 1909         Shank, Samuel Lewis (resigned November 28, 1913)       1910 to 1913         Wallace, Harry R.       1913         Bell, Joseph E.       1914 to 1917         Jewett, Charles W.       1918 to 1921         Shank, Samuel Lewis       1922 to 1925         Duvall, John L. (disqualified September 22, 1927)       1926 to 1927

Slack, L. Ert	1927 t	to 1929
Sullivan, Reginald H	1930 t	to 1934
Kern, John W. (resigned September 2, 1937)	1935 t	to 1937
Boetcher, Walter C	1937 t	to 1938
Sullivan Reginald H	1939 t	to 1942
Tyndall, Robert H. (died July 9, 1947)	1943 t	to 1947
Denny, George L		. 1947
Feeney, Al G. (died Nobember 12, 1950)	1948 t	to 1950
Bayt, Phillip L. (resigned November 24, 1951)	1950 t	to 1951
Emhardt, Christian J		. 1951
Clark, Alex M	1952 t	to 1956
Bayt, Phillip L. (resigned December 31, 1958)	1956 t	to 1958
Boswell, Charles H. (resigned August 6, 1962)	1959 t	to 1962
Losche, Albert H	1962 t	to 1963
Barton, John J	1964 t	to 1968
Lugar, Richard G	1968 t	to 1975
Hudnut, William H. III	1976 t	to 1991
Goldsmith Stephen		1992

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