

PRESIDENTIAL PORTRAITS

OTHER CAREERS

Presidents' Earlier Careers

George Washington	Commander in Chief of Continental Army, President of Constitutional Convention
John Adams	Diplomat, Vice-President
Thomas Jefferson	Secretary of State, Vice-President
James Madison	U.S. Representative, Secretary of State
James Monroe	U.S. Senator, Governor of Virginia, simultaneously Secretary of State and War
John Quincy Adams	U.S. Senator, diplomat, Secretary of State
Andrew Jackson	Superior Court Justice, Major General in War of 1812, U.S. Senator
Martin Van Buren	U.S. Senator, Governor of New York, Secretary of State, Vice-President
William Henry Harrison	Major General in War of 1812, Governor of Indiana territory, U.S. Representative, U.S. Senator, diplomat, local court clerk
John Tyler	Governor of Virginia, U.S. Senator, Vice-President
James K. Polk	U.S. Representative (Speaker), Governor of Tennessee
Zachary Taylor	Major General from War of 1812 through Mexican-American War
Millard Fillmore	U.S. Representative, Comptroller of New York, Vice-President
Franklin Pierce	U.S. Representative, U.S. Senator
James Buchanan	U.S. Senator, Secretary of State, diplomat
Abraham Lincoln	U.S. Representative, lawyer
Andrew Johnson	Governor of Tennessee, U.S. Senator, Military Governor of Tennessee, Vice-President
Ulysses S. Grant	General of the Army in Civil War, Interim Secretary of War
Rutherford B. Hayes	Governor of Ohio
James A. Garfield	U.S. Representative (Minority leader), elected U.S. Senator same year as President
Chester A. Authur	Collector for Port Authority of New York, lawyer, Vice-President
Grover Cleveland	Governor of New York
Benjamin Harrison	U.S. Senator
William McKinley	U.S. Representative, Governor of Ohio
Theodore Roosevelt	Colonel in Spanish-American War, Governor of New York, Vice-President
William Howard Taft	Governor General of Phillipines, Secretary of War
Woodrow Wilson	Professor at Bryn Mawr, Wesleyan, Johns Hopkins, and Princeton, President of Princeton, Governor of New Jersey
Warren G. Harding	U.S. Senator
Calvin Coolidge	Governor of Massachusetts, Vice-President
Herbert Hoover	Secretary of Commerce
Franklin D. Roosevelt	Governor of New York
Harry S. Truman	U.S. Senate, Vice-President
Dwight D. Eisenhower	General of the Army, Chief of Staff, and Supreme Allied Commander of NATO in World War II, President of Columbia University
John F. Kennedy	U.S. Representative, U.S. Senator
Lyndon B. Johnson	U.S. Representative, U.S. Senator, Vice-President
Richard M. Nixon	U.S. Representative, U.S. Senator, Vice-President, lawyer
Gerald R. Ford	U.S. Representative (Minority leader), Vice-President
Jimmy Carter	Governor of Virginia
Ronald Reagan	President of Screen Actors Guild, Governor of California
George H. W. Bush	Entrepreneur, U.S. Representative, diplomat, Chairman of Republican National Committee, Director of CIA, Vice-President
Bill Clinton	Governor of Arkansas
George W. Bush	Entrepreneur, Governor of Texas