Maryellen Allen
Maryellen Allen is a graduate of the University of Kentucky and the University of Louisville's Brandeis School of Law. She began her career practicing law with Wyatt, Tarrant and Combs and later served as an Assistant Attorney General in the Kentucky Attorney General’s Office primarily representing state agencies including the Secretary of State’s Office and the State Board of Elections. Ms. Allen served as General Counsel to Secretary of State John Y. Brown III and as Director of the State Board of Elections.

Stacia Cardille
Stacia Cardille is on Twitter’s global policy legal team serving as Director and Associate General Counsel. She is responsible for providing legal advice and strategic guidance on public policy matters in numerous markets. This includes issues related to elections and civic events, election integrity, and the company's partnerships with election officials, government agencies, and law enforcement.

Prior to joining Twitter in 2018, Ms. Cardille held a number of senior positions in government including Associate Counsel to President Barack Obama, the Democratic Chief Counsel for the Senate Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs, and the Democratic Chief Counsel to the House Committee on Energy and Commerce. Ms. Cardille also served as senior advisor to the General Counsel at the Department of Energy and counsel to the House Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

Ms. Cardille lives in Washington, D.C. with her husband and three children.

Joe Dooley
Joe Dooley is a Government Affairs Manager at Google, leading engagement with state and local governments on a variety of economic, security, health, and privacy issues. He currently leads Google's COVID19 response efforts aimed at local governments in the U.S. Prior to joining Google he has held roles at the Pew Charitable Trusts and with former Michigan Governor Jennifer M. Granholm, where he headed efforts to promote clean and renewable energy and general economic development policies. Joe has a Masters Degree in Public Administration from American University and hails from Anchorage, Alaska.
Travis Fain
A newspaper reporter for most of his 22-year career, Travis now covers state government for WRAL-TV in Raleigh. Travis has covered elections in three states: Georgia, Virginia and North Carolina.

Stephen Fowler
Stephen Fowler is an award-winning reporter and photographer for GPB News covering state and local politics. His work focuses on voting and elections, state government, legal issues and the 2020 election.

He got his start with GPB's All Things Considered in Atlanta, where he helped create live shows everywhere from a brewery to a baseball game to a rooftop midway, was part of award-winning hurricane coverage and (occasionally) filled in as the afternoon news host. In college, he served as the Executive Digital Editor of The Emory Wheel and was part of the inaugural cohort of the Georgia News Lab, a yearlong investigative journalism program.

His reporting takes him many places, like a chicken processing plant in southeast Georgia, fishing in the Flint River, a soul food restaurant in the mountains and protests in the streets of downtown Atlanta. His stories have appeared on Marketplace, Here and Now, All Things Considered and NPR’s national newscasts, as well as ProPublica and the Columbia Journalism Review.

Robert Giles
Robert Giles was appointed to the position of Director of the New Jersey Division of Elections on May 1, 2008. Prior to this, he was employed by the Ocean County Board of Elections beginning in 1995 working as an investigator, a voting machine technician, an assistant supervisor and supervisor. He served on the Election Infrastructure Government Coordinating Council (GCC) which is responsible for sharing election threat information between the federal government and council partners. He co-chaired the GCC working group that was responsible for developing the Election Infrastructure-Information Sharing Analysis Center (EI-ISAC) Charter and currently serves as a member of its Executive Committee. He is an Adjunct Professor for Rutgers University’s Center for Government Services teaching Election Administration. Robert is currently a member of the Standards Board for the United States Election Assistance Commission. He
is also serving as the Standards Board representative on the Technical Guidelines Development Committee which is responsible for developing the next set of federal standards for voting equipment. He served as a member of the Department of Homeland Security’s Cyber Unified Coordination Group for the 2016 Presidential Election. He is a Past President of the National Association of State Election Directors and served as Vice President of the New Jersey Association of Election Officials and was a member of its Legal and Legislative Committee.

Mark Goins
Mark Goins is a native Tennessean, a graduate of Lincoln Memorial University, where he received a B.A. in History. Mark received his J.D. from Regent University School of Law, studied comparative law at Oxford University in England through a program sponsored by Santa Clara Law School and is a Tennessee licensed attorney.

He was appointed by Secretary of State Tre Hargett as the Coordinator of Elections on February 11, 2009. Prior to being appointed Coordinator of Elections, Mark served on the Tennessee State Election Commission from March of 2005 to February of 2009.

In addition, during the years of 1996 to 2002, Mark held the office of District 34 Representative in the Tennessee House of Representatives. During his tenure in the legislature, he served on the Elections Sub-Committee and was selected as the 2002 East TN Development District Legislator of the Year.

In 2016, Mark was selected to Chair the United States Election Assistance Commission (EAC) Standards Board. The 110 member EAC is an independent bi-partisan group of state and local election officials created by the Help America Vote Act (HAVA) of 2002 to assist states in being HAVA compliant.

In 2018, Lincoln Memorial University inducted Mark into their Professional Hall of Fame.

Mark is married to Rebecca, and they have three sons, Brody (18), Noah (15) and Knox (1).

Mandi Grandjean
Amanda (Mandi) M. Grandjean is the director of elections and deputy assistant secretary of state for Secretary of State Frank LaRose. Prior to her time with the LaRose administration, Grandjean served as an attorney at Bricker & Eckler LLP, where her practice focused on election law, campaign finance, public policy, ballot initiatives, ethics and compliance.
Before joining Bricker, Mandi interned for Speaker John Boehner of the U.S. House of Representatives. She has also served as a media liaison for the U.S. Embassy of the Republic of Iraq, worked as a legal intern with the Franklin County Prosecutor’s Office and as a law clerk for Judge Daniel R. Hawkins.

Mandi graduated Miami magna cum laude, Phi Beta Kappa in journalism and political science, where she was also a member of the Miami's women's swimming and diving team. She also graduated with honors from the Ohio State University Moritz College of Law. She currently sits on the Miami University Pre-Law Alumni Advisory Board and the Miami Women in Law and Leadership Committee.

Eva Guidarini
Eva is the manager of state and local government outreach at Facebook. She and her team help elected officials, campaigns, and governments use the platform to better connect with voters and constituents. Previous to Facebook, Eva worked on political campaigns – most recently on the policy team for Carly Fiorina’s presidential campaign.

Sherri Wharton Hadskey
Sherri Wharton Hadskey is the Commissioner of Elections currently serving under Louisiana Secretary of State Kyle Ardoin. Prior to her appointment as Commissioner in January 2017, she served the Elections Division as Director of Elections for over 12 years under Secretaries of State Fox McKeithen, Al Ater, Jay Dardene and Tom Schedler. Previous to 2005 she served in many other elections capacities under Commissioners of Elections Jerry M. Fowler, and Suzanne Haik Terrell.

Sherri’s public service and passion for elections began at age 19 and continues over 37 years later. She has successfully conducted 283 elections in the State of Louisiana and since 1991 has implemented and supported four different Early Voting and Election Day voting systems. She coordinated and conducted the first Orleans Municipal Election post-Hurricane Katrina and has since worked closely with parish officials to coordinate elections through many disasters, including Hurricanes Rita, Gustav, Laura, Delta, Zeta, and the disastrous flood of 2016 in Louisiana. She currently administers and is involved in elections on a statewide basis, overseeing storage and drayage of voting machines, ballot preparation, electronic ballot programming, testing of all systems, and training and support of all elections staff members on the state and local level. She is also involved in the maintenance of a statewide voter registration database.
Geoff Hale
Geoff Hale leads the Election Security Initiative at the Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency’s (CISA) National Risk Management Center (NRMC). Mr. Hale has supported CISA’s election security mission since the Department stumbled into this space in 2016, with a brief disappearance to remove Kaspersky from federal networks. Over the past four years, Mr. Hale has worked with partners to understand risks election infrastructure and where CISA’s services can add value to election security.

Geoff is a Certified Information Security Manager and has been supporting CISA since 2010.

Chris Harvey
After graduating from The Citadel with a degree in Political Science, Chris Harvey taught high school for a few years before becoming a Police Officer. He spent 13 years in criminal investigations in metro Atlanta before becoming the Chief Investigator for the Secretary of State’s Office in 2007, where he primarily worked on election-related cases.

In 2015, Chris was appointed State Election Director by then Secretary of State Brian Kemp. It’s still the only job for which he never applied or sought.

As Director of the Elections Division, he is responsible for working closely with county election officials to ensure secure and legal elections take place in Georgia. He shares legal updates, procedural and rule changes, security updates, and other information with county election officials to assist in their conducting elections.

Chris lives in Decatur, Georgia with his wife, Cathy, where they raised four kids, two of whom are still in high school. Chris graduated from the same high school in Atlanta (though a decade earlier) as did former CISA Director Chris Krebs.

Brad King
Brad King serves as the Co-Director of the bipartisan Indiana Election Division. A native of Omega, Indiana, King received his Bachelor of Arts in History and Political Science from Indiana University. Additionally, he received his Juris Doctor from the College of William and Mary in Williamsburg, Virginia. In the past, King served as a senior staff attorney for the Legislative Services Agency and counsel to the Indiana House and Senate Elections Committees. Later he served as Assistant Corporation Counsel for the City of Indianapolis and counsel to the Marion County Board of Voter Registration. From
1992-1999, he was Co-General Counsel to the Indiana Election Commission. After successfully fulfilling those position, King then served as the State Elections Director for the Secretary of State of Minnesota from 1999-2002. Through the years, he has had the privilege of advising and assisting county election officials, candidates, and political party officials throughout Indiana, and but still encounters new and challenging questions during each election cycle. Additionally, King served for several years as chairman of the United States election assistance commission voting system standards board, an advisory body of 110 state and local election officials.

Bob Kolasky

Bob Kolasky was selected to lead the Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency’s (CISA) National Risk Management Center (NRMC) in 2018, at the Department of Homeland Security (DHS). As Assistant Director, he oversees the Center’s efforts to facilitate a strategic, cross-sector risk management approach to cyber and physical threats to critical infrastructure.

He most recently served as the Deputy Assistant Secretary and Acting Assistant Secretary for NPPD’s Office of Infrastructure Protection (IP), before it became the CISA Infrastructure Security Division on November 16, 2018, where he led the coordinated national effort to reduce the risk posed by acts of terrorism and other cyber or physical threats to the nation’s critical infrastructure, including soft targets and crowded spaces.

Mr. Kolasky has served in a number of other senior leadership roles, including acting Deputy Under Secretary for NPPD before it became CISA. In that position, he helped to oversee CISA’s efforts to secure the nation’s physical and cyber infrastructure. He has also held a position as the Director of Strategy and Policy for the Infrastructure Security Division and served as Director of the DHS Cyber-Physical Critical Infrastructure Integrated Task Force to implement Presidential Policy Directive 21 on Critical Infrastructure Security and Resilience, as well as Executive Order 13636 on Critical Infrastructure Cybersecurity. He is also the former Assistant Director for the Office of Risk Management Analysis at DHS where he was responsible for developing policies and processes to enable risk-informed strategic decisions by DHS.

Mr. Kolasky joined the Federal government in 2008 after six years as a management consultant. He graduated from Dartmouth College in 1994 and from the Harvard Kennedy School in 2002.
Jana Lean

Jana M. Lean has served as Elections Division Chief since 2010, successfully overseeing 10 statewide elections and 55 special elections. She has over 22 years of elections experience in the Secretary of State’s Office working in every program area of the Elections Division including the implementation of several key pieces of election legislation. Most recently Jana successfully implemented the automatic registration New Motor Voter implementation, Same Day Registration, Voter’s Choice Act expansion into the new vote center model, the expansion of 17 new language requirements throughout state, statewide coordination of the first ever statewide all mail ballot election, and development of statewide health guidance for administering and distributing millions personal protective equipment for use by county elections officials and the California electorate for the Presidential Election during the COVID-19 global pandemic. Jana’s educational background includes a Master of Business Administration (MBA) and a Bachelor of Arts (BA) Degree in Philosophy with a minor in Language and Literature.

Reid Magney

Reid Magney worked as a reporter and editor covering government and politics in Wisconsin, Iowa and Illinois for 25 years before joining Wisconsin’s elections agency in 2009 as the public information officer. In that role, he has been Wisconsin’s election spokesperson for three presidential and three gubernatorial elections, two presidential recounts, and a statewide gubernatorial recall. When he’s not answering reporters’ questions, you can find him with his wife, working in their vegetable garden or rooting for their favorite team, the Chicago Cubs.

Patrick Marley

Patrick Marley has covered state government and politics for the Milwaukee Journal Sentinel since 2004 with an eye toward explaining how decisions in Madison affect residents across the state. He has written about the state’s voter ID rules, redistricting litigation and numerous lawsuits over the 2020 election. He is the author, with Jason Stein, of “More Than They Bargained For: Scott Walker, Unions and the Fight for Wisconsin” (University of Wisconsin Press, 2013).
Matt Masterson
Matt previously served as Senior Cybersecurity Advisor at the Department of Homeland Security, where he focuses on election security issues. He previously served as a Commissioner at the Election Assistance Commission from December 2014 until March 2018, including serving as the Commission’s Chairman in 2017-2018. Prior to that, he held staff positions with the Ohio Secretary of State’s office, where he oversaw voting-system certification efforts and helped develop an online voter registration system. Matt holds a law degree from the University of Dayton School of Law and BS and BA degrees from Miami University in Oxford, Ohio.

Maria Matthews
Maria Matthews has been serving as the Director of the Division of Elections for the Florida Department of State since 2013. She first joined the Department of State in 2004 as an assistant general counsel with primary focus on election law and public records matters. She served as the designated Help America Vote Act attorney for the state and conducted rulemaking. In 2012, she was appointed a Chief for the Bureau of Voter Registration Services. During her tenure with the department, she has overseen the 2006 implementation of the Florida Voter Registration System, 2017 online voter registration system and ongoing implementation of ERIC membership. She received the 2007 Davis Productivity Certificate of Commendation for the FVRS team and 3 Department of State Sunshine awards.

Before 2004, she served 10 years as chief attorney with various Senate committees in Florida Legislature. During that time, she also served as a special appointed Senate special masters for legislative claim bills. Ms. Matthews graduated from Florida State University College of Law in 1992 and entered thereafter into private general practice as an associate for the firm of Bateman Graham, P.A.
Angie Nussmeyer
Appointed co-director of the Indiana Election Division in 2015, Angie Nussmeyer has spent much of her career in public service. She has worked in various communications roles for the Indiana Department of Workforce Development, the Indianapolis Department of Public Works, the Indianapolis Department of Metropolitan Development, and the Marion County Clerk’s Office. In 2013 she was named Director of Elections for Indianapolis/Marion County. A native of Warrick County, Nussmeyer is a graduate of the School of Public and Environmental Affairs at Indiana University-Bloomington and currently resides in Indianapolis.

Chris Piper
Christopher E. “Chris” Piper was appointed Commissioner of the Virginia Department of Elections in January 2018. Previously, he served as Deputy Director of the Virginia Tobacco Region Revitalization Commission and as Executive Director of the Virginia Conflict of Interest and Ethics Advisory Council. He also served as Manager of the Campaign Finance Division and as Manager of Election Services at the Virginia Department of Elections and a political compliance consultant at an international law firm. Chris is an avid long-distance runner who has completed eleven marathons and is a certified running coach. But mostly he enjoys relaxing with his wife, two teenagers, and two dogs. Fun fact: Chris spent a lot of his teenage years following the Grateful Dead and other bands around the country. What a long, strange trip it’s been!

Rob Rock
Rob is a 2005 graduate of the University of Rhode Island with a bachelor’s degree in political science. He began working at the Rhode Island Department of State as an intern in the summer of 2005. Rob was an Elections Assistant from 2005 – 2013 when he left to become the Town Administrator for the Town of Richmond, RI. In 2015, Rob returned to the RI Department of State to serve as Secretary of State Nellie M. Gorbea’s Director of Elections. Rob also has a Master’s in Public Administration from the University of Rhode Island.
Will Senning
Will Senning is the Director of Elections and Campaign Finance in the Vermont Secretary of State’s Office. He has served as Director for eight years, and spent two years prior to that as an Elections Administrator in the same office. Will graduated cum laude from Vermont Law School in 2006 and worked as a private attorney in Waterbury, Vermont before taking a position with the Elections Division. Will lives on the side of Camel’s Hump in Duxbury, Vermont, with his wife Susan and two daughters, Stella Grace and Dylan.

Mandy Vigil
Mandy Vigil is the Election Director for the State of New Mexico. Ms. Vigil has served the State of New Mexico as a public servant for seventeen years. In her past eleven years she has established her career in the Office of the Secretary of State, in supporting and overseeing the election programs. Ms. Vigil has partnered with local election administrators and state officials to develop and implement policies and systems to modernize and improve elections for the voters of New Mexico. She previously spent time advocating for consumer protections at the Office of the Attorney General, as well as legal research and administration in the judicial branch. Ms. Vigil is proud to represent the state of New Mexico as a member of the National Association of Election Directors (NASED), the Election Assistance Commission Standards Board, and the Electronic Registration Information Center (ERIC).

Aaron Wilson
Aaron Wilson is the Senior Director of Election Security at the Center for Internet Security (CIS). As an election technology and security expert with practical engineering experience, Aaron leads all election security best practice development efforts for CIS. Aaron also contributes to the development of the CIS Controls and related guides.

Aaron joined CIS with a background in government and private industry. He began his career testing and conducting security evaluations of voting systems for the Florida Division of Elections. In private industry, Aaron has served as the Vice President of Products and Services for Greenshades Software and the Director of Product for Clear Ballot Group, a federally certified voting system manufacturer.

Aaron is an avid programmer in his free time.
Meagan Wolfe

Meagan Wolfe is the Administrator of the Wisconsin Elections Commission, serving as the state’s Chief Election Official. Meagan was appointed by the bi-partisan, six-member Commission in February of 2018 and unanimously confirmed by the Wisconsin State Senate in May of 2019 for a four-year term. Serving as an election security advocate and ambassador for the needs of Wisconsin’s clerks and voters remains her highest priority as the state prepares for the 2020 election cycle. A significant part of her job is ensuring that Wisconsin’s 1,922 local election officials (the most of any state) have the resources and technology they need to conduct elections. Meagan previously served as WEC’s Deputy Administrator, managing the teams that develop and maintain the statewide voter registration system, election security, and all other IT applications of the Commission. Meagan joined state service in 2011, starting as the state’s voter outreach coordinator and later as an elections IT project manager leading the multi-year redesign of the MyVote Wisconsin voter information portal, a project driven by data collected from comprehensive usability and accessibility studies.