

Secretaries of the Board of War and Ordnance,

1776 to 1781.

Compiled from the Journals of Congress.

- RICHARD PETERS**, elected Secretary to the Board of War and Ordnance, 13 June, 1776; appointed a member of the Board of War, 27 November, 1777.
- JOSEPH NOURSE**, elected Deputy Secretary to the Board of War, 17 June, 1777; elected Secretary of Ordnance and Paymaster to the Board of War and Ordnance, 12 February, 1778; resigned 16 September, 1778.
- General **JAMES WILKINSON**, elected Secretary of the Board of War and Ordnance, 6 January, 1778; resigned 31 March, 1778.
- Major **PETER SCULL**, elected Secretary to the Board of War and Ordnance, 4 November, 1778; resigned 1 September, 1779.
- Captain **BENJAMIN STODDART**, elected Secretary to the Board of War and Ordnance, 1 September, 1779; resigned 14 February, 1781.
- JOSEPH CARLETON**, elected Secretary to the Board of Ordnance, and Paymaster to the Board of War and Ordnance, 27 October, 1779, to date back to the resignation of Mr. Nourse, 16 September, 1778; elected Secretary to the Board of War, 17 February, 1781.

SECRETARIES AT WAR,

1781 to 1789.

- General **BENJAMIN LINCOLN**, elected Secretary at War, 30 October, 1781; resigned 29 October, 1783.
- RICHARD PETERS**, requested to continue to exercise the duties of the War Department until the Secretary at War should enter upon the duties of his office, 19 November, 1781.
- JOSEPH CARLETON**, continued as "Secretary in the War Office," 4 November, 1783, to 24 March, 1785.
- General **HENRY KNOX**, elected Secretary at War, 8 March, 1785, and continued until adoption of the Constitution, in 1789.

SECRETARIES OF WAR,

1789 to 1880.

HENRY KNOX.....	Massachusetts...	12 September,	1789.
TIMOTHY PICKERING.....	Pennsylvania....	2 January,	1795.
JAMES MCHENRY.....	Maryland	27 January,	1796.
SAMUEL DEXTER.....	Massachusetts...	13 May,	1800.
ROGER GRISWOLD.....	Connecticut.....	3 February,	1801.
HENRY DEARBORN.....	Massachusetts...	5 March,	1801.
WILLIAM EUSTIS.....	Massachusetts...	7 March,	1809.
JOHN ARMSTRONG.....	New York.....	13 January,	1813.
JAMES MONROE.....	Virginia.....	27 September,	1814.
WILLIAM H. CRAWFORD..	Georgia.....	1 August,	1815.
GEORGE GRAHAM.....	Virginia.....	7 April,	1817.
JOHN C. CALHOUN.....	South Carolina..	8 October,	1817.
JAMES BARBOUR.....	Virginia.....	7 March,	1825.
PETER B. PORTER.....	New York.....	26 May,	1828.
JOHN H. EATON.....	Tennessee.....	9 March,	1829.
LEWIS CASS.....	Michigan.....	1 August,	1831.
BENJAMIN F. BUTLER...	New York.....	3 March,	1837.
JOEL R. POINSETT.....	South Carolina..	7 March,	1837.
JOHN BELL.....	Tennessee.....	5 March,	1841.
JOHN MCLEAN.....	Ohio.....	13 September,	1841.
JOHN C. SPENCER.....	New York.....	12 October,	1841.
JAMES M. PORTER.....	Pennsylvania....	8 March,	1843.
WILLIAM WILKINS.....	Pennsylvania....	15 February,	1844.
WILLIAM L. MARCY.....	New York.....	6 March,	1845.
GEORGE W. CRAWFORD..	Georgia.....	8 March,	1849.
WINFIELD SCOTT.....	<i>ad interim</i>	23 July,	1850.
CHARLES M. CONRAD....	Louisiana.....	15 August,	1850.
JEFFERSON DAVIS.....	Mississippi.....	7 March,	1853.
JOHN B. FLOYD.....	Virginia.....	6 March,	1857.
JOSEPH HOLT.....	Kentucky.....	18 January,	1861.
SIMON CAMERON.....	Pennsylvania....	5 March,	1861.
EDWIN M. STANTON.....	Pennsylvania....	15 January,	1862.
ULYSSES S. GRANT.....	<i>ad interim</i>	12 August,	1867, to 14 January, 1868.
EDWIN M. STANTON.....	<i>re-instated</i>	14 January,	1868.
JOHN M. SCHOFIELD.....	28 May,	1868.
JOHN A. RAWLINS.....	Illinois.....	11 March,	1869.
WILLIAM T. SHERMAN.....	9 September,	1869.
WILLIAM W. BELKNAP..	Iowa.....	25 October,	1869.
ALPHONSO TAFT.....	Ohio.....	8 March,	1876.
JAMES D. CAMERON.....	Pennsylvania....	22 May,	1876, to 12 March, 1877.
GEORGE W. MCCRARY....	Iowa.....	12 March,	1877, to 10 December, 1879.
ALEXANDER RAMSEY....	Minnesota.....	10 December,	1879.