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# *Executive Branch*





# Governor Kevin Stitt

Constitution, Article 6 § 1

J. Kevin Stitt is the 28<sup>th</sup> governor of Oklahoma. Stitt is leading the state with a vision to become Top Ten in critical categories, from government accountability to job growth, infrastructure, education, and more.

Stitt is an entrepreneur and businessman who founded Gateway in Tulsa, Oklahoma, in 2000. Starting Gateway with only \$1,000 and a computer, he grew his business into one of the top twenty mortgage lenders and servicers in the nation, operating in more than forty states and servicing more than \$20 billion in residential mortgages. Stitt led Gateway through a merger with Farmers Exchange Bank in 2018, forming Gateway First Bank, headquartered in Jenks, Oklahoma. Gateway First Bank operates more than 160 mortgage centers across the country and employs more than 1,400 people.

In 2018, Oklahomans spoke in record numbers that they wanted Stitt to use his business acumen to transform the state. In his first bid for elected office of any kind, Stitt received more votes than any gubernatorial candidate in state history. Since taking office, he has worked together with the legislature to produce historic reform in five of the largest state agencies, allowing him to identify and recruit the best talent to serve in critical leadership positions. In addition, more than half of the governor's cabinet is made of experts who came from the private sector in Oklahoma, including the first chief operating officer in state history. Stitt also led the state to build its largest savings account in history, which proved to be prophetic in the face of a significant decline in the oil and gas market.

Stitt is a fourth-generation Oklahoman who graduated from Norman High School and is an alumnus of Oklahoma State University, where he received an accounting degree in 1996. Stitt and his wife, Sarah, have six children and have been married for 22 years.

## Key Personnel

Chief of Staff	Director of Scheduling
Deputy Chief of Staff	General Counsel
Senior Advisor	Director of Policy
Director of Administration	Chief of Communications
Director of Appointments	State Field Director

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Qualifications—Citizen of the United States, at least thirty-one years of age, qualified elector at least ten years preceding election. State Constitution, Article 6, Section 3.  
Salary—\$147,000 annually  
Personnel—unclassified

# Oklahoma Elected Officials

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# Office of the Lieutenant Governor

Constitution, Article 6 § 1

**Matt Pinnell**, Republican, was elected as the seventeenth Lieutenant Governor of the State of Oklahoma on November 6, 2018. In that role, he serves as president of the Oklahoma Senate, and is a member of multiple constitutional boards and commissions. Pinnell also serves as Secretary of Tourism and Branding on Governor Kevin Stitt's cabinet.

In his role as Oklahoma Secretary of Tourism and Branding, Pinnell oversees the Oklahoma Department of Tourism and Recreation and that state's efforts to promote tourism, the third largest industry in Oklahoma. He led the successful effort to rebrand the State of Oklahoma, a component of the overall effort to retain and recruit more jobs to the state of Oklahoma.

Pinnell also currently serves on the Oklahoma Department of Commerce executive committee focusing on small business growth, entrepreneurship, and workforce development. He has a background in entrepreneurship and is a small business owner with his wife, Lisa, who is an inventor and entrepreneur.

Pinnell is a graduate of Oral Roberts University with a degree in advertising and lives in Tulsa, with Lisa and their four children, who attend Jenks Public Schools.

Key Personnel—Jeff Peters, Chief of Staff; Kirby Smith, Field Director; Riley Jensen, Director of Constituent Services.

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Salary—\$114,713 annually

Personnel—3 non-merit, unclassified;

Qualifications for Office—The individual must be a citizen of United States, at least thirty-one years of age and a qualified elector of the state for ten years prior to election to office. State Constitution, Article 6, Section 3.



# Office of the Attorney General

Constitution, Article 6 § 1

**Mike Hunter** was elected as Oklahoma's eighteenth attorney general on November 6, 2018. As attorney general he has made the safety and security of all Oklahomans one of his top priorities. Prior to being elected as attorney general, Hunter was appointed to the position by Governor Mary Fallin on February 20, 2017. He previously served as secretary of state and special legal counsel to the governor.

Hunter served as first assistant attorney general from June 2015 to October 2016, where he was the chief legal advisor to Attorney General Scott Pruitt and oversaw a staff of over 200 lawyers, law enforcement agents and support staff. From 2010 to 2015, Hunter was the chief operating officer of the American Bankers Association (ABA), which represents banks of all sizes and charters and is the champion for the nation's \$13 trillion banking industry and its 2 million employees. He managed government relations, regulatory, legal, and communications activities for the ABA.

Prior to joining ABA, Hunter was secretary of the Commissioners of the Land Office, a \$4 billion public land and investment trust in Oklahoma. From 2002 through 2009, Hunter was executive vice president and chief operating officer of the American Council of Life Insurers, the advocacy, legal and research arm



of the life insurance industry. From 1999 to 2002, Hunter served as Oklahoma’s secretary of state under Governor Frank Keating, also acting as the governor’s chief liaison to the Oklahoma Legislature, the state judiciary and the state’s federal delegation.

Hunter served as chief of staff to former U.S. Representative J. C. Watts Jr., of Oklahoma, from 1995 to 1999. His position involved the management of the congressman’s office in Washington, D.C., and district offices in Oklahoma. He also served as legal counsel to Watts in his work on the National Security Committee and the Transportation and Infrastructure Committee in Congress. In 1993 and 1994, Hunter served as general counsel of the Oklahoma Corporation Commission, the state regulatory authority for public utilities, oil and gas, transportation, and pipelines. He has also taught political science as an adjunct professor at the University of Central Oklahoma and at the University of Oklahoma. While in private practice as an energy and real estate lawyer, Hunter served as a member of the Oklahoma House of Representatives for six years. In 1988, he was one of eight lawmakers recognized by *The Daily Oklahoman* as “Oklahoma’s Best Legislators.”

Hunter received his law degree from the University of Oklahoma and his undergraduate degree from Oklahoma State University. He is married to Cheryl Plaxico Hunter, and they have two sons, Barrett and Brock.

Key Personnel—Dawn Cash, First Assistant Attorney General; Mary Ann Roberts, Chief Deputy Assistant Attorney General; Joy Tharp, Senior Deputy Attorney General, Tulsa; Abby Dillsaver, General Counsel; Jennifer Miller, Criminal Appeals; Dara Derryberry, Public Protection; Mithun Mansinghani, Solicitor General; Alex Gerszewski, Director of Communications; Stephany Lively, Executive Assistant

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Qualifications—The individual must be a U.S. citizen, at least thirty-one years old and qualified elector in state for ten years prior to election to office.

State Constitution, Article 6, Section 3.

Salary—\$132,825 annually

Personnel—unclassified

## Office of State Auditor and Inspector

Constitution, Article 6 § 1

**Cindy Byrd, CPA**, Republican, is Oklahoma’s thirteenth State Auditor and Inspector, the first woman elected to this statewide-elected office, and the first candidate to top the 800,000-vote milestone in an election for state office in Oklahoma history. Byrd and her husband, Steve Byrd, live in Coalgate, located in Coal County, Oklahoma. She earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Accounting from East Central University, became a Certified Public Accountant in 2003 and held an appraiser license from 2006 to 2011. Beginning in 2013, Byrd served as Deputy State Auditor and Inspector for Local Government Services until assuming her role as State Auditor on January 14, 2019.



The State Auditor and Inspector is to “independently serve the citizens of Oklahoma by promoting accountability and fiscal integrity in state and local government.” Byrd has been at the forefront of this mission since joining the State Auditor’s Office in 1997. Serving at every level in the agency, she brings a new depth of understanding to the office which includes an extensive knowledge of government accounting and auditing standards and the statutes related to the financial activities of Oklahoma’s state and local governments. To improve the oversight of public funds for a variety of government entities, Byrd has designed training classes to eliminate potential waste, fraud, and abuse, and has integrated data analytics software into the auditing process to identify anomalies in financial reporting.

Various statutes govern the audit responsibilities of the State Auditor and Inspector. As the chief auditor for

the State, the State Auditor and Inspector audits the State of Oklahoma Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR), which includes the financial operations of all state agencies, boards, and commissions, and the annual Single Audit, a compliance audit of expenditures of federal funds. The State Auditor also performs financial audits of various state agencies. Auditor Byrd continues to oversee the County Audit Division, a position she has held since 2011, which produces a majority of all audits published annually. The County Audit Division conducts financial, operational, and performance audits of all seventy-seven counties as well as sixty-five Emergency Medical Services districts, twenty-seven District Attorney districts, and may conduct investigative audits of these entities by request.

Performance audits are performed by request of the governor, the chief executive officer of a government entity, or by joint/concurrent resolution of the state legislature. Special investigative audits may be requested by the governor, House and Senate leadership, the attorney general, district attorneys, an entity's governing board, and/or upon petition by citizens. The Specialized Audit Division audits federal oil and gas royalties, horse racing and gaming, and public employee insurance eligibility. The Information Services Division conducts IT audits of some state and county governments.

The State Auditor or her designee serves on numerous boards and commissions, these include: The Oklahoma State Pension Commission; State Board of Equalization, Subcommittee Chair; Commissioners of the Land Office, Investment Committee; Board of Investors for the Tobacco Settlement Endowment Trust Fund; Archives and Records Commission; Board of Directors for the College Savings Plan; Oklahoma Society of Certified Accountants; American Board of Forensic Accountants; and the National Association of State Auditors, Comptrollers, and Treasurers.

State Auditor Byrd actively participates with the following organizations: County Officers and Deputies Association; Association of County Commissioners; County Treasurer's Association of Oklahoma; County Clerk's Association; County Assessor's Association; Oklahoma Sheriff's Association; Commission on County Government Personnel Education and Training; Center for Local Government Technology Assessor Training Accreditation Programs; and the Oklahoma Cooperative Circuit Engineering Districts.

Key Personnel—Lisa Hodges, CFE, CGFM, Deputy State Auditor; Sheila Adkins, CISA, CPM, CIA, Director of Information Services; Melissa Capps, Manager of Performance Audit Division; Trey Davis, Director of Continuing Education; Shelley Fleming, CPA, Director of State Agency Audit Division; Brenda Holt, CPA, Manager of Special Investigative Unit; Cindy Wheeler, CPA, Director of Quality Assurance; and Mark Hudson, CPA, Director of Gaming and Horse Racing, Minerals Management Division.

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Qualifications For Office—The individual must be a U.S. citizen, at least thirty-one years of age and qualified elector of the state for ten years prior to election and at least three years experience as an expert accountant. State Constitution, Article 6, Sections 3 and 19.

Salary—\$114,713 annually

Personnel—110 non-merit, unclassified

## Office of the State Treasurer

Constitution, Article 6 § 1

**Randy McDaniel**, Republican, is the nineteenth State Treasurer of Oklahoma. He was elected to a four-year term in 2018.

As the state's top elected financial officer, McDaniel protects and manages the billions of taxpayer dollars deposited each year, safeguards the financial health of the state, promotes responsible fiscal policy, and operates the state's unclaimed property program.



McDaniel chairs the Oklahoma College Savings Plan Board of Trustees and the Board of Investors for the Tobacco Settlement Endowment Trust. He is a member of the State Board of Equalization, which certifies funds available for the state budget, and the State Pension Commission.

After earning a bachelor’s degree with honors in economics from the University of Oklahoma, McDaniel earned a master’s degree from Cambridge University before starting his career in banking. He was a successful financial advisor for more than twenty years working with individual and institutional investors. He holds a Certificate in Public Treasury Management from the National Institute of Public Finance.

McDaniel was a Distinguished Military Graduate and served for eleven years in the Oklahoma Army National Guard, where he rose to the rank of Captain.

McDaniel served six terms in the Oklahoma House of Representatives. He served as chair of the House Banking, Financial Services and Pensions Committee, where he spearheaded the passage of legislation that helped strengthen the state’s retirement systems, protecting the retirement security of teachers, public safety personnel and public employees.

He and his wife, Julie, have two children, Grace and John. They live in Oklahoma City and attend Crossings Community Church.

Key Personnel—Andrew Messer, Deputy Treasurer for Policy and Debt Management; Tim Allen, Deputy Treasurer for Communications and Program Administration; Kiran Nallayahgari, Assistant Treasurer for Operations; Andrea Cross, Compliance Officer/Internal Auditor; Lisa Murray, Chief Investment Officer; Charles Hover, Portfolio Accounting and Reporting Director; Kathy Janes, Unclaimed Property Director; and Deidra Salim, Banking Services Director.

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Office Hours—8 AM-5 PM (Administration),  
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Qualifications for Office—The individual must be a U.S. citizen, at least thirty-one years old and qualified elector in the state for ten years prior to election. State Constitution, Article 6, Section 3.

Salary—\$114,713 annually

Personnel—43 unclassified

## Insurance Commissioner

Constitution, Article 6 § 1

**Glen Mulready**, Republican, became the thirteenth Oklahoma Insurance Commissioner after receiving 62 percent of the vote statewide. He was sworn into office on January 14, 2019.

Mulready is a long-time insurance professional and private sector businessman who is a recognized leader and champion in the insurance industry. Starting as a broker in 1984, he rose to serve at the executive level of the two largest health insurance companies in Oklahoma. In 2007, he joined Benefit Plan Strategies, a company helping businesses provide employee benefits and health insurance to their employees.

Mulready has served as president of both the Tulsa and Oklahoma State Health Underwriters Associations and has been named State Health Underwriter of the Year.

In 2010, Mulready successfully ran for state representative and quickly became the point person for the House of Representatives on insurance issues and was appointed chairman of the Insurance Committee after the 2014 elections. In 2011, *Governing Magazine* named him as one of seventeen “GOP Legislators to Watch.”

As an influential state representative, Mulready passed legislation which expanded insurance options and resulted in more insurance companies offering service in the state. His consumer awareness was most evident when he reformed a state employee insurance program to save Oklahoma millions of dollars a



year while also saving thousands of dollars for those families. Seeking to improve the Oklahoma business climate, he sponsored the Insurance Business Transfer (IBT) Act that is now law, and is recognized as one of the most innovative pieces of insurance legislation nationally. Mulready's many successes led to him being tapped for the leadership position of Majority Floor Leader in 2017.

Mulready and Sally, his wife of thirty-two years, are the proud parents of three teenage sons, Sam, Jake and Will. In 2008, he and Sally were the recipients of Leadership Tulsa's Paragon Award for their work with Big Brothers Big Sisters. Mulready is very active in the community having served on numerous boards and committees including Big Brothers Big Sisters, the Juvenile Diabetes Research Fund, March of Dimes, Shepherds Fold Ranch Christian Summer Camp, Crime Commission and Tulsa Tough.

**Key Personnel**—Glen Mulready, Commissioner of Insurance, 405/522-0891; glenmulready@oid.ok.gov; Karlita Manger, Executive Assistant to the Commissioner, 405/522-0891; Brian Downs, Chief of Staff, First Deputy Commissioner, 405/521-6654; Mike Rhoads, Deputy Commissioner of Consumer Services, 918/295-3702; Andy Schallhorn, Deputy Commissioner of Financial Regulations and Chief Actuary, 405/522-4969; Ashley Scott, Government and Community Affairs Director, 405/522-4609; Gordon Amini, Esq., General Counsel, 405/522-6335; Liz Heigle, Director of Communications, 405/522-0683; Jim Marshall, Assistant Commissioner and Director of Operations, 405/522-8398; Sherry Marczewski, Assistant Commissioner of Comptroller, 405/522-4581; Lydia Shirley, Assistant Commissioner of Consumer Services, 405/521-6624; Cuc Nguyen, Assistant Commissioner of Rate and Form, 405/522-4608; Mike Pavlik, Assistant Commissioner of Systems Security, 405/522-4616; and Ray Walker, Director, Medicare Assistance Program, 405/521-6632.

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**Qualifications for Office**—The Oklahoma State Code specifies that the commissioner shall be at least twenty-five years of age and a resident of the State of Oklahoma for at least five years, and have had at least five years experience in the insurance industry in administration, sales, servicing or regulation. The commissioner shall not be financially interested directly or indirectly, in any insurer, agency or insurance transaction except as a policy holder or claimant under a policy. 36 O.S. Section 302

**Personnel**—120 non-merit, unclassified

**Salary**—\$126,713 annually

## Commissioner of Labor

Constitution, Article 6 § 1

**Leslie Osborn**, Republican, was elected Oklahoma Commissioner of Labor in November 2018. Prior to her election as labor commissioner, she served ten years in the Oklahoma House of Representatives for District 47. During her time in the legislature, she was the first female to chair the Judiciary Committee of the House, and in December 2016, she was named the first Republican female chair person of the House Appropriations and Budget Committee. During her tenure, she authored landmark workers compensation reform and passed into law the first Pay for Success contract in Oklahoma, which was a public-private partnership with the Oklahoma Department of Corrections and the Kaiser Foundation to move women from incarceration to the Women in Recovery Program.



The Oklahoma Commission on the Status of Women recognized Osborn with the 2019 Kate Barnard Award for her efforts in advocating for women. The award was established in 1998 to honor elected or appointed

public officials who have made a difference in Oklahoma.

Osborn earned a Bachelor of Science degree in business administration from Oklahoma State University. She owned and operated her own business for twenty-two years, selling heavy duty truck parts, Osborn Pick-Up Accessories. She currently resides in Mustang, Oklahoma, and is the mother of two children.

Osborn serves on the Small Business Development Centers advisory board; the Oklahoma Academy advisory board; the board of directors of THRIVE--Teen Pregnancy Prevention of Oklahoma; and the Canadian Valley Technology Center Foundation Board. She was in Leadership OK Class 27, and served as the state director of the national group of Women in Government.

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Qualifications For Office—There are no constitutional or statutory requirements.

Salary—\$105,053 annually

Personnel—46 classified, 26 unclassified

## Superintendent of Public Instruction

Constitution, Article 6 § 1

**Joy Hofmeister**, Republican, was originally elected to serve as State Superintendent of Public Instruction in November 2014, and began her second term as Oklahoma's State Superintendent in January 2019. Since taking office, the state has repealed ineffective state exams; released a more meaningful and user-friendly accountability system; and bolstered student safety. With an emphasis on collaboration and a focus on ensuring Oklahoma's children have access to opportunities to achieve academic success, Hofmeister has strengthened academic standards and testing, revamped teacher evaluation and brought statewide attention to the need for trauma-informed instructional practices that meet children where they are.



Key Personnel—Phil Bacharach, Chief of Staff; Brad Clark, General Counsel; Dr. Shelly Ellis, Deputy Superintendent of Student Support; Monty Guthrie, Deputy Superintendent of Federal Programs and Finance; Keith Hicks, Executive Director of Operational Support; Dr. Cindy Koss, Deputy State Superintendent of Student Learning and Achievement; Dr. Robyn Miller, Deputy Superintendent of School Support and Accountability; Mathangi Shankar, Chief Financial Officer; and Carolyn Thompson, Deputy Chief of Staff and Chief of Governmental Affairs.

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Qualifications For Office—The individual must be a U.S. citizen, not less than thirty-one years old and qualified elector of state for ten years prior to election. State Constitution, Article 6, Sec. 3.

Salary—\$124,373 annually

Personnel—287 unclassified

# Corporation Commission

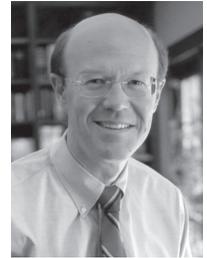
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**Bob Anthony**, Republican, is currently the longest serving utility commissioner in the United States and has served six times as chairman of the Oklahoma Corporation Commission. He is a member of the board of directors for the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners and past chairman of the National Regulatory Research Institute. The United States Secretary of Energy has appointed Anthony to a sixth term on the National Petroleum Council. He currently serves on the Public Interest Advisory Committee of the Gas Technology Institute. He is past president of the Mid-America Regulatory Conference, a member and past president of the Economic Club of Oklahoma, and for eight years served as a delegate to the worldwide General Conference of the United Methodist Church.



Anthony holds a BS from the Wharton School of Finance at the University of Pennsylvania; a Master of Science from the London School of Economics; a Master of Arts from Yale University; and a Master of Public Administration from Harvard University. He rose to the rank of captain in the U.S. Army Reserve. In 1972 he served as staff economist for the United States House of Representatives Interior and Insular Affairs Committee (now called the Natural Resources Committee). From 1979 to 1980 Anthony served on the Oklahoma City Council as Ward 2 Councilman and then as vice mayor. In 1980, at age thirty-two, Anthony became president of C.R. Anthony Company retail stores, then the largest privately-owned firm headquartered in Oklahoma. During his seven-year term as president, annual sales for the retail chain increased from \$256 to \$411 million, with payroll, employment, and dollar profits reaching all-time record levels. In 1988 he was chairman of the Trust Committee of Oklahoma's largest bank trust department.

In 1995 the Federal Bureau of Investigation honored Anthony with its highest award given to a citizen who "at great personal sacrifice, has unselfishly served his community and the nation." Among other recognitions, the American Association of Retired Persons of Oklahoma presented Anthony with an award "in appreciation of his tireless efforts on behalf of Oklahoma consumers."

Anthony has served as a statewide elected official longer than any current Oklahoma office holder, winning his sixth consecutive six-year term on the Oklahoma Corporation Commission in 2018, winning all seventy-seven counties, just as he did in 2012. He initially ran for the Corporation Commission in 1988, becoming the first Republican elected to that body in sixty years and receiving more votes than any Republican since statehood. In 1994 Anthony became the first Republican incumbent in Oklahoma history to win statewide reelection to a state office. In 2000 he was reelected, receiving more votes at that time than any candidate for state office in Oklahoma history.

All four of Anthony's grandparents came to Oklahoma before statehood. His father was born in Cleveland, Oklahoma, and his mother grew up in Enid, Oklahoma. He and his wife, Nancy, were married in 1975. They are the parents of four daughters and have five grandchildren.

**Todd Hiatt**, Republican, is serving as the current chair of the Corporation Commission. Hiatt, a graduate of Oklahoma State University, was elected to the Oklahoma House of Representatives in 1994, at the age of twenty-seven. Hiatt quickly ascended into leadership and was selected by his colleagues to serve as House minority leader in November 2002. Two years later, he led the state House Republicans to their first majority in eight decades and their largest victory in nearly a half-century. Marking a historic shift in power at the capitol, Hiatt was chosen the first Republican Speaker



of the House in more than eight decades.

During his first year as Speaker, Hiett oversaw a smooth transition as House Republicans ascended to power with a bold agenda. Hiett pushed through the largest tax cut in state history, the most significant right-to-life legislation in thirty years, an innovative highway-funding bill, and significant education reforms, collectively known as the ACE Initiative, which raised the bar for curriculum standards and graduation requirements in Oklahoma.

After a successful twelve years in the Oklahoma Legislature, Speaker Hiett has worked for the past eight years with various entities in manufacturing, navigation, and energy industries. In this role, he has enjoyed the opportunity to work with many pro-growth companies such as Webco Industries and Callidus Technologies to strengthen and expand their ability to provide jobs.

Hiett and his wife, Bridget, have three children, Jimmy, John, and Hillary. The Hiett family lives on a ranch, two miles south of Kellyville, that they continue to operate. Bridget teaches fourth grade at Kellyville Elementary; son Jimmy graduated from Oklahoma State University; son John is attending medical school at Texas A&M; and daughter Hillary is a sophomore at Oklahoma State University. The Hietts attend First Baptist Church of Kellyville.

**Dana L. Murphy**, Republican, is a fifth generation Oklahoman deeply committed to her home state. After attending Central State University in Edmond, Oklahoma, where she received the Best All-Around Freshman Athlete Award, she attended Oklahoma State University. She graduated in the top 10 percent in her class at OSU, and received a bachelor's degree in geology. After practicing as a geologist for ten years, she obtained her law degree cum laude, while working and attending night school at Oklahoma City University.



On November 4, 2008, Murphy was first elected to the statewide office of Oklahoma Corporation Commissioner for a partial two-year term. She was re-elected to a full six-year terms on July 7, 2010, and July 13, 2016. Murphy served as chair of the commission, following election by her fellow commissioners, effective February 1, 2017. She previously served as chair of the Corporation Commission from January 3, 2011 through July 31, 2012, and February 1, 2017, through March 31, 2019.

Murphy's prior experience includes working for almost six years as an administrative law judge at the commission, where she was named Co-Employee of the Year in 1997, and received the Commissioners' Public Servant Award in 2001. She has more than twenty-two years experience in the petroleum industry including owning and operating her own private law firm focused on oil and gas title, regulatory practice and transactional work, and working as a geologist.

Murphy is a member of the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners (NARUC), where she serves on the Electricity Committee. She is a member of the Electric Power Research Institute (EPRI) Advisory Council. Moreover, she is the Oklahoma member of the Regional State Committee of Southwest Power Pool, Inc., and serves on the Oklahoma Water Resources Research Institute Advisory Board, and the Financial Research Institute Advisory Board. Murphy is a member of the Oklahoma Bar Association; American Association of Petroleum Geologists, Oklahoma City Geological Society, and Oklahoma Women's Coalition. In March 2007, she was recognized for dedicated service by the National Association of Royalty Owners, and in 2001, received the Friends of Agriculture Cooperatives Award. Murphy is also a recipient of the University of Central Oklahoma Distinguished Alumni Award for 2012. She serves as a trustee and previously served as a care chaplain for the Church of the Servant United Methodist Church in Oklahoma City. She also serves as a member of the Salvation Army's Central Oklahoma Area Command Advisory Board.

Prior to joining the Corporation Commission, she was a member of the board of directors of Farmers Royalty Company, and a member of the Edmond Chamber of Commerce. She is also a part-time personal fitness trainer. Murphy lives in Edmond, but continues to be actively involved with her family's farm and ranch in Ellis County, Oklahoma.

# Governor Stitt's Cabinet

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## Secretary of Agency Accountability

John Budd

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Governor Kevin Stitt appointed John Budd to serve as Oklahoma Secretary of Agency Accountability in January 2019. In addition, Budd currently serves as the state chief operating officer, where he leads the governor's cabinet and helps to drive operational effectiveness, increase customer service satisfaction and improve efficiency in all state services provided to Oklahomans. Prior to joining the Stitt Administration, Budd worked in the private sector where he served as executive vice president and chief strategy and business development officer at Sonic Corp. and a partner and managing director at the Boston Consulting Group. Budd holds a Bachelor of Science in Economics from the University of Pennsylvania and a Master of Business Administration from Northwestern University-Kellogg School of Management.



The secretary of agency accountability is responsible for the following executive entities:

Auditor and Inspector, State

Management and Enterprise Services, Office of

## Secretary of Agriculture

Blayne Arthur

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On January 14, 2019, Arthur was sworn in by Governor Kevin Stitt as the Oklahoma Secretary of Agriculture, the state's first female to hold the position. She acts as Governor Stitt's chief advisor on policy development and implementation related to agriculture, food, and forestry, and holds the titles of Oklahoma Commissioner of Agriculture and the President of the Oklahoma State Board of Agriculture.

Arthur grew up in Chickasha, Oklahoma, where her family raised horses, shorthorn cattle, wheat, alfalfa, and soybeans. She and her two sisters, Dr. Rosslyn Biggs and Chelsea Evans, were active in 4-H and FFA, focusing primarily on showing horses and shorthorn cattle, both statewide and nationally. Arthur's mother, Dr. Peggy Clark, worked for the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) as a veterinary medical officer. Her father, David Spencer, owns and operates Spencer Livestock, LLC., a family-oriented operation focusing on show horses and cattle, based out of Chickasha. Upon graduating from Oklahoma State University in 2004, with a bachelor's degree in agricultural economics, Arthur took a role in small-business financing for Rural Enterprises, Inc. In 2009, the then Secretary of Agriculture, Terry Peach, hired her as the department's social media coordinator. When Secretary of Agriculture Jim Reese was elected in 2011, he offered her the position as the Deputy Commissioner of Agriculture, where she stayed from 2011 to 2016. In 2016, she served as the executive director for the Oklahoma 4-H Foundation until her appointment by Governor Stitt. She is the 2016 Oklahoma Cattlemen's Association Distinguished Service Award Recipient and remains active in Oklahoma Farm Bureau, Diamond Hats, American Quarter Horse Association, Oklahoma Beef Council, and Ponies of the Americas. She has been selected for multiple honors including Oklahoma Agricultural Leadership Program Class XV, a Journal Record 2011 Achievers Under 40 honoree, and the 2014 Oklahoma Agricultural Woman of the Year. Arthur married Jerrod Arthur in 2006 and they have two children, Kelton and Kennedy, who both enjoy showing cattle and horses. The Arthur family lives east of Stillwater and raise show cattle for 4-H and FFA members.



The secretary of agriculture is responsible for the following executive entities and programs:

Agriculture, State Board of  
Agriculture, Food, and Forestry, Department of  
Apiary Act  
Boll Weevil Eradication Organization  
Commodity Commissions, Sheep and Wool  
Conservation Commission, Oklahoma

Horse Racing Commission, Oklahoma  
South Central Interstate Forest Fire Protection  
Compact and Advisory Committee  
Southern Dairy Compact  
Standards, Bureau of  
Veterinary Medical Examiners, State Board of

## Secretary of Budget

Mike Mazzei

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Governor Kevin Stitt appointed Mike Mazzei as Oklahoma Secretary of Budget in December 2018, and he was confirmed by the Oklahoma Senate in May 2019. In this position, Mazzei leads the development of the annual Governor's Executive Budget Book and the overall state's financial strategy to advance the governor's vision to be a Top Ten State. He represents the governor's financial priorities of fiscal discipline, agency accountability and job creation to the Oklahoma Legislature during budget discussions.



Mazzei's responsibilities include providing timely and accurate analysis of financial trends, forecasts, agency budgets and quarterly financial reports. Additionally, he assists the governor with matters related to short and long term financial objectives in line with strategies to continually pursue a high financial credit rating for the State of Oklahoma.

Previous to his appointment, Mazzei served in the Oklahoma State Senate from 2004 to 2016, representing Senate District 25, and was chairman of the Senate Finance Committee for ten years.

Mazzei currently serves as the president of Tulsa Wealth Advisors and holds the industry leading designation of "Master Planner Advanced Studies." In 2013 he authored the book *Solving Your Financial Planning Puzzle*.

## Secretary of Commerce and Workforce Development

Sean Kouplen

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Governor Kevin Stitt appointed Sean Kouplen Oklahoma Secretary of Commerce and Workforce Development in January 2019. In this position, Kouplen helps cast a vision for the Commerce Department and plays a strategic leadership role in recruiting business to Oklahoma and fostering a strong workforce across the state.



Kouplen is the chairman and CEO of Regent Bank in Tulsa. Under Kouplen's leadership, the bank has grown in size from \$72 million to almost \$750 million in assets since 2008. He has been named Central U.S. Community Banker of the Year, Oklahoma Small Business Financial Champion, one of Journal Record's Most Admired CEO's, Citizen of the Year in Bixby, Top National Young Alumni by his fraternity, and Top 100 MBA of the Century by Oklahoma State University. Kouplen has held numerous local and statewide leadership positions and currently serves on the board of directors for MetaFund, Hillcrest South Hospital, OSU Foundation, SouthPoint Church and is a member of Young President's Organization and Oklahoma Bankers Association. Kouplen holds a Bachelor of Science degree in agricultural economics and a Master of Business Administration degree from Oklahoma State University.

The secretary of commerce and workforce development is responsible for the following executive entities:

Accountancy Board, Oklahoma	Midwestern Oklahoma Development Authority
Alarms and Locksmith Industry Committee	Motor Vehicle Commission, Oklahoma
Canadian River Commission	Municipal Clerks and Treasurers Division of the
Capitol-Medical Center Improvement and	Oklahoma Career and Technology Education,
Zoning Commission	Advisory Committee to the
Commerce, Oklahoma Department of	Northeast Oklahoma Public Facilities Authority
Construction Industries Board	Office for Minority and Disadvantaged Business
Development Finance Authority, Oklahoma	Enterprises
Governor's Council for Workforce and	Oklahoma Uniform Building Code Commission
Economic Development	Ordinance Works Authority, Oklahoma
Home Inspector Examiners, Committee of	Private Vocational Schools, Oklahoma Board of
Housing Finance Agency, Oklahoma	Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors,
Industrial Finance Authority, Oklahoma	State Board of Registration for
Insurance Commissioner and State Insurance	Real Estate Appraisers Board
Department	Real Estate Commission, Oklahoma
Interstate Cooperation, Oklahoma Commission	Real Estate Contract Form Committee,
Labor Commissioner and Department of Labor	Oklahoma
Licensed Architects, Landscape Architects and	Rural Action Partnership Program
Interior Designers of Oklahoma, Board of	Rural Area Development Task Force
Governors of	Rural Development, Center for
Main Street Program	Used Motor Vehicle and Parts Commission,
Manufactured Home Advisory Committee	Oklahoma

## Secretary of Digital Transformation and Administration

David Ostrowe

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Governor Kevin Stitt appointed David Ostrowe as Oklahoma Secretary of Digital Transformation and Administration in January 2019. In this position, Ostrowe places a strategic emphasis on digital transformation in the delivery of services across all state agencies. He also provides oversight of state financial institutions, similarly executed by the cabinet title "Secretary of Finance" seen in previous administrations. In addition to his cabinet role, Ostrowe serves as the president and CEO of O&M Restaurant Group. In 1999 Ostrowe launched his first business in Oklahoma City. That business grew from a one-man shop to a \$100 million, multi-unit and multi-state operation with 1,000 employees. Ostrowe is the past Western Regional Chair Emeritus for Young Presidents Organization and was the Oklahoma City Chair Emeritus. He has also been a board member of Allied Arts for fifteen years. Previously, Ostrowe was a member of Burger King Corporation's Restaurant Counsel for eight years and Chair Emeritus for "The Growth Group," a Burger King franchisee association made up of large quick service restaurant developers throughout the United States. Ostrowe is also a past professor of business, teaching up to three classes per semester at the University of Oklahoma's Price Business School. Ostrowe holds a Bachelor of Arts degree in political science from Louisiana State University.



The secretary of digital transformation and administration is responsible for the following executive entities:

Abstractors Board, Oklahoma	Bipartisan Legislative Apportionment
Banking Board, State, and State Banking	Commission
Department	Bond Oversight, Council of
	Building Bonds Commission

Capital Investment Board, Oklahoma  
Capitol Preservation Commission, State  
Cash Management Oversight Committee  
Compensation and Unclassified Positions  
Review Board, Oklahoma  
Consumer Advocacy, Office of  
Consumer Credit Commission and Department  
of Consumer Credit  
Consumer Protection Licensing Advisory  
Council  
Electronic and Information Technology  
Accessibility Advisory Council  
Employee Assistance Program, State, and  
Advisory Council  
Employee Insurance & Benefits Board,  
Oklahoma  
Employment Security Commission, Oklahoma,  
and State Advisory Council and Board of  
Review  
Equalization, State Board of  
Ethics Commission  
Firefighters Pension and Retirement System and  
Board  
Incentive Approval Committee  
Judicial Compensation, Board of  
Judicial Complaints, Council on  
Law Enforcement Retirement System and  
Board, Oklahoma  
Legislative Compensation, Board on

Life and Health Insurance Guaranty Association  
and Board of Directors, Oklahoma  
Long-Range Capital Planning Commission  
Lottery Commission and Board of Trustees,  
Oklahoma  
Market Assistance Association and Board of  
Directors  
Merit Protection Commission  
Oversight Committee for State Employee  
Charitable Contributions  
Pension Commission, Oklahoma State  
Police Pension and Retirement System and  
Board, Oklahoma  
Program Development and Credit Review  
Committee  
Public Employees Relations Board  
Public Employees Retirement System and  
Board, Oklahoma  
Securities Commission, Oklahoma, and  
Department of Securities  
State Credit Union Board, Oklahoma  
State Governmental Technology Applications  
Review Board  
Streamlined Sales and Use Tax Agreement  
Committee  
Tax Commission, Oklahoma  
Teachers' Retirement System, Board of Trustees  
of the, and Teachers' Retirement System  
Treasurer, State

## Secretary of Energy and Environment

Kenneth Wagner

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Kenneth Wagner serves as Oklahoma's Secretary of Energy and Environment. Governor Kevin Stitt appointed Wagner to the position in 2019. In this role, he is responsible for over thirty agencies, boards, compacts, and commissions as well as advancing policies that encourage economic growth and sensible regulation that fosters responsible energy production, protects natural resources, and ensures clean air, land, and water for all Oklahomans.

Previously, Wagner served as the senior advisor to the administrator for regional and state affairs within USEPA's Office of the Administrator, where he also served as director of the Office of Regional Operations. In his duties at EPA, he served as the administrator's designee to all ten regions before regional administrators were appointed, and he continued to coordinate all ten U.S. EPA regional administrators, and served as an advocate for the regions at headquarters with all the assistant administrators for each national program and the administrator's office.

In addition to his regional duties, Wagner served as the main point of contact in the administrator's office with all fifty states' top environmental regulators and tribal governments. He led the efforts to reform and redefine the federal-state relationship and its efforts around cooperative federalism. Wagner has helped lead numerous policy initiatives for the administrator.



Wagner was appointed and previously served as the administrator's designee on the Gulf Coast Eco System Restoration Council, also known as the RESTORE Council. EPA and Acting Administrator Wheeler was appointed by President Donald Trump as chair of the RESTORE Council, which was responsible for implementing the RESTORE Act, and administering billions of dollars of settlement funds that were paid by BP as a result of the Deep Water Horizon oil spill. During his time at RESTORE, Wagner served as the chair governing all business and executive meetings of the five gulf states and six federal agencies making up the council.

Wagner was also closely involved with the Office of Research and Development's initiative to better partner with states to solve every day environmental challenges and make their vast inventory of research more readily accessible for states, tribes, and the public. He also coordinated the intra-agency working group to tackle the waste discharges entering the U.S. from our border neighbors in Mexico, and assists the administrator in his goal of bringing certainty to the American people by returning the agency to its core mission: improving water quality, accelerating land clean-ups, modernizing aging water infrastructure and bringing the country back into air attainment by improving air quality.

Before joining the agency, Wagner came from the private sector, where he practiced law and held private business interests for nearly twenty-five years. He was a founding member and managing partner of a successful-mid-sized law firm in Tulsa, where he practiced and managed a diverse practice that included commercial, energy and environmental matters. In addition to running a successful law firm, he was involved in numerous successful business and commercial ventures, including being a minority partner in Oklahoma's Triple-A baseball team based in Oklahoma City, from 2003 to 2010.

Wagner earned degrees from the University of Oklahoma and the University of Tulsa College of Law.

The secretary of energy and environment is responsible for the following executive entities:

Alternative Fuels Technician Examiners and Board, Oklahoma	Interstate Oil Compact Commission
Arkansas River Basin Compact Commission, Arkansas-Oklahoma	Liquefied Petroleum Gas (LPG) Board, Oklahoma
Arkansas River Basin Compact Commission, Kansas-Oklahoma	LPG Research, Marketing, and Safety Commission, Oklahoma
Canadian River Commission	Mining Commission, Interstate, Mining Commission, Oklahoma, and Department of Mines
Central Interstate Low-Level Radioactive Waste Compact and Commission	Miner Training Institute, Oklahoma
Climatological Survey	Municipal Power Authority Board, Oklahoma
Corporation Commission	Oil and Gas Compact Commission, Interstate
Energy Initiative and Energy Initiative Board, Oklahoma	Red River Compact and Commission, Arkansas-Louisiana-Oklahoma-Texas
Energy Office, Oklahoma State	Southern States Energy Compact and Southern States Energy Board
Energy Resources Board, Oklahoma	Storage Tank Advisory Council
Environmental Quality Board and Air Quality Advisory Council, Hazardous Materials	Sustaining Oklahoma's Energy Resources Committee
Emergency Response Commission, Hazardous Waste Management Advisory Council, Radiation Management Advisory Council, Solid Waste Management Advisory Council, Water Quality Management Advisory Council, and Department of Environmental Quality	Water for 2060 Advisory Council
Grand River Dam Authority (GRDA) and GRDA Board of Directors	Water Resources Board, Oklahoma
Geological Survey	Well Drillers and Pump Installers Advisory Council
Hazardous Materials Emergency Response Commission	Wildlife Conservation Commission and Wildlife Conservation Department

# Secretary of Health and Mental Health

Kevin Corbett

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Governor Kevin Stitt appointed Kevin Corbett as Oklahoma Secretary of Health and Mental Health in June 2020. Corbett was appointed Chief Executive Officer of the Oklahoma Health Care Authority (OHCA), Oklahoma's Medicaid agency, effective August 15, 2019. Previously, Corbett served as a senior partner and risk advisory practice leader with Ernst & Young, retiring in 2017 with over thirty-eight years of service. After retiring from Ernst & Young, Corbett served as the interim chief financial officer at Lagoon Water Solutions. During his career, Corbett advised some of the largest companies in the United States and abroad, gaining extensive experience in a wide array of corporate matters, including public offerings, merger and acquisitions, debt restructurings, bankruptcy proceedings, risk management and transformational change.

Corbett is a graduate of Oklahoma State University, with a bachelor of science degree in accounting, and the executive management program at the Kellogg School of Management, Northwestern University. Corbett currently serves on the board of several civic organizations, including Midfirst Bank, Noble Corporation, OU Medicine Inc., OSU Medical Authority and Trust and University Hospitals Authority and Trust. Corbett previously served on the following boards in Oklahoma and Texas: Sunbeam Family Services, Junior Achievement, United Way, and Oklahoma State University Foundation Board of Governors. Corbett is a CPA licensed in Oklahoma and Texas and a member of the National Association of Corporate Directors.

The secretary of health and mental health is responsible for the following executive entities or their successors:

Advancement of Wellness Advisory Council  
Alcohol and Drug Counselors, Oklahoma Board of Licensed  
Alcohol, Drug Abuse and Community mental Health Planning and Coordination Boards  
Alzheimer's Research Advisory Council  
Anatomical Board, State  
Athletic Commission, Oklahoma State  
Athletic Trainers Advisory Committee  
Behavioral Health Licensure, State Board of  
Catastrophic Health Emergency Planning Task Force, Oklahoma  
Chiropractic Examiners, Board of  
Community Hospitals Authority  
Cosmetology and Barbering, State Board of  
Dentistry, Board of  
Dietetic Registration, Advisory Committee on  
Food Service Advisory Council  
Funeral Board, Oklahoma  
Health Care Authority, Oklahoma  
Health Care Information Advisory Committee  
Health, State Board of, and Department of Health  
Home Care and Hospice Advisory Council  
Hospital Advisory Committee, Oklahoma  
Hospital Advisory Council, Oklahoma

Long-Term Care Administrators, Oklahoma State Board of Examiners for  
Medical Care for Public Assistance Recipients, Advisory Committee for  
Medical Licensure and Supervision, Board of  
Mental health and Substance Abuse, Board of, and Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse  
Mental Health, Interstate Compact on  
Nursing, Board of, and Formulary Advisory Council  
Occupational Therapy Advisory Committee, Oklahoma  
Oklahoma State University Medical Authority  
Optometry, Board of Examiners in  
Osteopathic Examiners, State Board of  
Perfusionists, State Board of Examiners of  
Pharmacy, Board of  
Physical Therapy Committee  
Physician Manpower Training Commission  
Physician's Assistant Advisory Committee  
Podiatric Medical Examiners, Board of  
Psychologists, State Board of Examiners of  
Registered Electrologists, Advisory Committee of  
Respiratory Care Advisory Committee

Sanitarian and Environmental Specialist  
 Registration Advisory Council  
 Self-Directed Services Program Committee  
 Speech Pathology and Audiology, Board of  
 Examiners for  
 Suicide Prevention Council, Oklahoma

Tobacco Settlement Endowment Trust Fund  
 Board of Directors  
 Trauma and Emergency Response Advisory  
 Council  
 Traumatic Spinal Cord and Traumatic Brain  
 Injury, Advisory Council on  
 University Hospitals Authority

## Secretary of Human Services and Early Childhood Initiatives

Justin Brown

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Governor Kevin Stitt appointed Justin Brown as Oklahoma Secretary of Human Services and Early Childhood Initiatives in June 2020. Brown has served as the director of the Oklahoma Department of Human Services (OKDHS) since June 2019. He was previously the chief executive officer of Choice Capital Partners, an owner and operator of senior living communities in multiple states. With a background in organizational leadership, finance and strategic planning and execution, Brown was well suited to build a vision based on a customer first mentality, and motivate the team to execute on a vision of serving the State of Oklahoma's most vulnerable citizens in a different way. As a strong relationship builder, Brown was uniquely qualified to position the Department of Human Services as a collaborative agency that engages with partners across the state to serve together. In addition to having built a passion for serving seniors with Alzheimer's Disease through his prior profession and board of directors engagement with the Alzheimer's Association, Brown has built a life of service to children through non-profit service including the OU Children's Hospital Foundation, the YMCA of Greater Oklahoma City, the OKC ZOO, Big Brothers & Big Sisters, among others. He and his wife, Kelly, have been married for eighteen years and have two children, Hannah and Ford.



The secretary of human services and early childhood initiatives is responsible for the following executive entities or their successors:

Blind Vendors, Committee of  
 Cerebral Palsy Commission, Oklahoma  
 and J.D. McCarty Center for Children with  
 Developmental Disabilities  
 Child Abuse Examination Board of  
 Child Abuse Prevention, Office of  
 Child Abuse Prevention, Training and  
 Coordination Council  
 Child Death Review Board  
 Children and Youth, Oklahoma Commission on  
 Chiropractic Examiners, Board of  
 Citizens Advisory Panels for Administration,  
 Aging Issues, Children and Family Issues, and  
 Disability Issues  
 Community Hospitals Authority  
 Developmental Disabilities Council

Disability Concerns, Employment of People  
 with Disabilities, Governor's Advisory  
 Committee on, and Office of, Disability  
 Concerns  
 Early Childhood Intervention, Interagency  
 Coordination Council for  
 Employment of People with Disabilities,  
 Governor's Advisory Committee on  
 Faith-based and Community Initiatives,  
 Office of  
 Food Service Advisory Council, Oklahoma  
 Group Homes for Persons with Developmental  
 or Physical Disabilities Advisory Board  
 Human Services, Department of  
 Infant and Children's Health Advisory Council  
 Interstate Compact for Juveniles  
 J.D. McCarty Center or Children with  
 Developmental Disabilities

Juvenile Affairs Board of, and Office of Juvenile Affairs  
 Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention, State Advisory Group on  
 Licensed Social Workers, State Board of Long-Term Care Administrators, Oklahoma State Board of Examiners for  
 Long-Term Care Facility Advisory Board  
 Partnership for Children’s Behavioral Health  
 Partnership for School Readiness Board, Oklahoma  
 Placement of Children, Interstate Compact on

Post Adjudication Review Advisory Board  
 Prevention of Adolescent Pregnancy and Sexually Transmitted Diseases, Interagency Coordinating Council for Coordination of Efforts for  
 Public Guardian, Office of  
 Rehabilitation Services Commission, Oklahoma  
 Rehabilitation Services, Department of Residents and Family State Council  
 Santa Claus Commission  
 Statewide Independent Living Council  
 Vulnerable Adult Intervention Task Force

## Secretary of Public Safety Anthony Francis (Chip) Keating

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Governor Kevin Sitt appointed Anthony Francis (Chip) Keating as Oklahoma Secretary of Public Safety in February 2019. In this position, Keating helps to strengthen the state’s law enforcement services, while also focusing on improving the state’s criminal justice system. Keating, has been a principal with Keating Investments, a real estate and oil and gas investment company, since March 2010. He is also a general partner of Energy 11, L.P. and Energy Resources 12, L.P., both public, non-traded upstream oil and gas partnerships. He is also a board member and immediate past president of The Children’s Hospital Foundation, founder and president of the Oklahoma State Troopers Foundation, secretary of University Hospitals Authority Trust appointed by the Pro Temp of the Oklahoma State Senate and a director of OU Medicine, Inc. Prior to founding Keating Investments, Keating served as the real estate development manager for Chesapeake Energy Corporation in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, from March 2007 to March 2010. Prior to joining Chesapeake, Keating worked as a commercial real estate broker with Trammell Crow Company from August 2004 to March 2007. Before joining Trammell Crow Company, he spent just over three years as an Oklahoma State Trooper from May 2001 to August 2004 and is a graduate of the 53<sup>rd</sup> Oklahoma Highway Patrol Academy. Keating received a Bachelor of Business Administration from Southern Methodist University. Keating has been married to his wife Brittney for fourteen years and has three children, Callie, Frankie and Mary Katherine.

The secretary of public safety is responsible for the following executive entities:

Access to Justice Commission, Oklahoma  
 Adult Offender Supervision, Oklahoma State  
 Council for Interstate  
 Alcohol and Drug Influence Board of Tests  
 Alcoholic Beverage Laws Enforcement  
 Attorney General, Oklahoma  
 Bureau of Investigation Commission, Oklahoma  
 State, (OSBI), and Oklahoma State Bureau of  
 Investigation  
 Bureau of Narcotics and Dangerous Drugs  
 Control Commission, Oklahoma State, and  
 Oklahoma State Bureau of Narcotics and  
 Dangerous Drugs

Chief Medical Examiner, Office of, and Board of  
 Medicolegal Investigations  
 Corrections, Department of, and Board of  
 Corrections  
 Crime Victims Compensation Board  
 District Attorney’s Council  
 Domestic Violence Fatality Review Board  
 Driver’s License Compact  
 Driver’s License Medical Advisory Committee  
 Emergency Management, Oklahoma  
 Department of  
 Homeland Security Director, Office of  
 Indigent Defense System Board, Appellate

Law Enforcement Education and Training,  
Council on (CLEET), and CLEET Advisory  
Council  
Motorcycle Safety and Education, Committee  
for  
National Crime Prevention and Privacy  
Compact Council

Nonresident Violator Compact Board  
Pardon and Parole Board  
Polygraph Examiners Board  
Public Safety, Department of  
State Fire Marshal Commission, and State Fire  
Marshal, Office of  
Statewide Nine-One-One Advisory Board

## Secretary of Science and Innovation

Elizabeth Pollard

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Governor Kevin Stitt appointed Elizabeth Pollard as secretary of science and innovation on June 29, 2020. In this position, Pollard places a strategic emphasis on enabling science and innovation to impact health, commerce and stem education for Oklahoma. Prior to her appointment by Governor Stitt, Pollard served as deputy secretary of science and innovation under Secretary Kayse Shrum.

In addition to her cabinet role, Pollard is executive chair of Applied Silver, a materials science health-tech company located in Silicon Valley addressing infection control and antibiotic stewardship. She is a C-Suite veteran and has extensive global experience scaling businesses, building commercial and academic partnerships, and bringing to market highly specialized technology and solutions, including software and microfluidics, for healthcare, pharma, diagnostics, and life science research. Because of her expertise in genomic tools and test development, Pollard serves as an advisor to the Oklahoma Department of Health's Covid-19 testing response and has been instrumental in fostering commercial technology partnerships for the state's Covid-19 testing. In addition, Pollard advises several early stage healthcare companies and has held board director roles in public, private, and non-profit organizations. Most recently, Pollard has been named to the 2020-2023 YPO Global Board of Directors and serves on the finance committee. YPO's 29,000 executive leaders represent businesses that together account for the world's 3<sup>rd</sup> largest GDP. Pollard is a past member of the National Association of Corporate Directors (NACD), Women Corporate Directors (WCD), and the American Chemical Society (ACS).

Pollard moved to Oklahoma, in 2018, from California because of her appreciation for the state's infrastructure, culture and values. She and her husband, Dennis, reside in Edmond. She is a native Michigander and received her bachelor's degree in chemistry from Michigan State University, and master's in administration from Central Michigan University.

The secretary of science and innovation is responsible for the following executive entities:

Aerospace and Autonomous Council	Science and Innovation Council
Center for the Advancement of Science and Technology, Oklahoma (OCAST)	Space Industry Development Authority, Oklahoma (OSIDA)
Experimental Program to Stimulate Competitive Research Advisory Committee	STEM



## Secretary of State

Michael Rogers

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405/521-3912, FAX 405/521-2031 ■ [www.sos.ok.gov](http://www.sos.ok.gov)

Appointed Oklahoma Secretary of State and Education by Governor Stitt in January



2019, Michael W. Rogers is the governor’s chief policy negotiator. Rogers holds a Bachelor of Science degree in marketing from Oral Roberts University. He was a college All-American baseball player for the Golden Eagles, and still holds records for wins and strikeouts. Rogers is a member of the ORU Athletic Hall of Fame. He was drafted by the Cleveland Indians and played two years in the Indians organization before a shoulder injury ended his career.

Rogers served in the Oklahoma House of Representatives for two terms, and was chair of the Common Education Committee, and also served as assistant majority whip. He has served on numerous boards and commissions including the Southern Regional Board and the Education Commission of the States. Rogers and his wife Krystal, an elementary teacher, have three sons. Rogers resigned his position as secretary of education, to focus solely on his role as secretary of state, on August 12, 2020.

The secretary of state is responsible for the following executive entities:

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| Archives and Records Commission  | Judicial Nominating Commission   |
| Career and Technology Education, State Board of  | Land Office, Commissioners of the  |
| College and University Board of Regents or Trustees  | Library Board, State and Department of Libraries   |
| Contingency Review Board   | Multiple Injury Trust Fund   |
| County Government Personnel Education and Training, Commission on  | National Conference of Commissioners on Uniform State Laws                               |
| Dyslexia Teacher Training Pilot Program Advisory Committee   | Professional Responsibility Tribunal   |
| Education Commission of the States   | School and County Funds Management Commission  |
| Education Quality and Accountability, Office of, and Commission for Education Quality and Accountability | School of Science and Mathematics, and Oklahoma Board of Trustees for Secretary of State |
| Education, State Board of, Superintendent of Public Instruction, and State Department of Education       | State Regents for Higher Education, Oklahoma Student Loan Authority                      |
| Education Television Authority (OETA)  | Textbook Committee, State  |
| Election Board, State  | Virtual Charter School Board, Statewide  |
|  | Workers’ Compensation, Adv. Council on Workers’ Compensation Commission                  |

## Secretary of Tourism and Branding

Lieutenant Governor Matt Pinnell

State Capitol, Room 211, 2300 N Lincoln Blvd., Oklahoma City 73105 ■ 405/521-2161,  
FAX 405/522-8694, [www.ok.gov/litgovpinnell](http://www.ok.gov/litgovpinnell)

Pinnell was elected as the 17<sup>th</sup> Lieutenant Governor of the State of Oklahoma on November 6, 2018. In that role, he serves as president of the Oklahoma State Senate, and is a member of multiple constitutional boards and commissions. Pinnell also serves as Oklahoma Secretary of Tourism and Branding on Governor Kevin Stitt’s cabinet. In his role as secretary of tourism and branding, Pinnell oversees the Oklahoma Department of Tourism and Recreation and the state’s efforts to promote tourism, the third largest industry in Oklahoma. Pinnell led the successful effort to rebrand the State of Oklahoma, a component of the overall effort to retain and recruit more jobs to the state of Oklahoma.

Pinnell also currently serves on the Oklahoma Department of Commerce executive committee focusing on small business growth, entrepreneurship, and workforce development. Pinnell has a background in entrepreneurship and is a small business owner with his wife, Lisa, who is an inventor and entrepreneur.

Pinnell is a graduate of Oral Roberts University with a degree in advertising and lives in Tulsa, with his wife, and their four children who attend Jenks Public Schools.



The secretary of commerce and tourism is responsible for the following executive entities:

1921 Tulsa Race Riot Memorial of Reconciliation Design Committee	Quartz Mountain Arts and Conference Center and Nature Park, Board of Trustees, and Quartz Mountain Arts and Conference Center and Nature Park
African American Centennial Plaza Design Committee	Register of Natural Heritage Areas, State Sam Noble Museum
Arts Council, Oklahoma	of Natural History, Oklahoma
Commerce, Oklahoma Department of Geographic Information Council, State	Scenic Rivers Commission
Greenwood Area Redevelopment Authority	Tourism and Recreation Commission, Oklahoma, and Department of Tourism and Recreation
Historic Preservation Review Committee, Oklahoma	Tourism Promotion Advisory Committee, Oklahoma
Historical Records Advisory Board	Tourism Sinage Advisory Task Force, Oklahoma
Historical Society, Oklahoma	Will Rogers Memorial Commission
Industry Advisory Committee	
J.M. Davis Memorial Commission	
Jazz Hall of Fame Board, Oklahoma	

## Secretary of Transportation

Tim Gatz

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Gatz was appointed Oklahoma Secretary of Transportation by Governor Kevin Stitt in January 2019, and the Oklahoma Transportation Commission named him Oklahoma Department of Transportation executive director in February, effective April 1, 2019. Gatz was named the executive director of the Oklahoma Turnpike Authority in 2016 and prior to that he served more than two decades at the Oklahoma Department of Transportation (ODOT).



Gatz started his career at ODOT as a drafting technician in 1990. Then in 1992, he became the Enhancements Program coordinator and moved up to special projects manager in 1997. In 2000, he became division manager of the Project Management Division where he was instrumental in the development of ODOT's Eight-year Construction Plan.

Gatz was promoted to the senior staff position of director of Capital Programs and Information Management in 2006 and led the department's coordination with county governments to develop and deliver the County Improvements for Roads and Bridges Program, which provides dedicated funds for high-priority county transportation projects statewide. He served as deputy director from 2013 until his appointment to OTA in 2016.

Gatz earned a bachelor's degree in landscape architecture from Oklahoma State University in 1989, and is a registered professional landscape architect. He has received several honors including the Oklahoma Good Roads & Transportation Association's Bill Skeith Stewardship Award, the Governor's Public Service Award and the Federal Highway Administration's Partners in Quality Award. He is a member of the American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials, the International Bridge, Tunnel and Turnpike Association and the American Society of Landscape Architects.

Gatz and his wife, Sandy, live in El Reno, and have two sons.

The secretary of transportation is responsible for the following executive entities:

Advanced Mobility Program Advisory Council	Tourism Signage Advisory Task Force, Oklahoma
Aeronautics Commission	Transportation Commission, Oklahoma
Highway Construction Materials Technician Certification Board	Transportation Department, Oklahoma

Transportation County Advisory Board,  
Department of  
Transportation Tribal Advisory Board,  
Department of

Turnpike Authority, Oklahoma  
Waterways Advisory Board

## Secretary of Veteran Affairs and Military Brigadier General Ben T. Robinson (Retired)

3501 Military Circle, Oklahoma City 73111-4305 ■ 405/228-5201, FAX 405/228-5524

Oklahoma Governor Kevin Stitt appointed Ben T. Robinson as the Oklahoma Secretary of Veteran Affairs and Military in April 2019. In this position, he is responsible to the governor for the successful execution of the governor's policy and guidance to state veteran agencies and support of Oklahoma's military installations and the Oklahoma Strategic Military Planning Committee.

Robinson is also the Owner/President of Sentry One LLC. Sentry One is an aerospace industry consulting company specializing in a wide spectrum of expertise from military command and control operations to the growth and sustainment of American aerospace through investments in workforce development, business development and leadership. Sentry One LLC has aerospace clients in Oklahoma, Kansas, New Mexico, and Texas.

Prior to his current positions, Robinson was a Boeing executive and director of Boeing Aerospace Operations, Oklahoma City Boeing Site. He was responsible for supporting the programs and functions assigned to the Oklahoma City site. This support covers over 2,100 employees in seventy locations worldwide. He led the Boeing growth effort in Oklahoma City, which will eventually more than triple the number of local Boeing employees.

Robinson retired from active duty with the U.S. Air Force as a Brigadier General in 2002. His nearly thirty-four years of active duty service includes combat operations in both the U.S. Air Force and the U.S. Army. He commanded two flying wings, a flying group and a space center. He was a director on the Air Staff in Washington, D.C., and the vice commander of 8<sup>th</sup> Air Force. He held a command pilot rating with nearly 5,000 flying hours and over 150 combat missions.

In 2010, Robinson was presented with the first Lifetime Achievement Award by the Oklahoma Aerospace Alliance for his contributions to the sustainment and growth of the Oklahoma Aerospace Industry. In 2012, he was presented with the General Thomas P. Stafford Award for exceptional support and contributions to the Oklahoma Aerospace Industry.

Robinson earned his bachelor's degree in industrial management from Eastern New Mexico University and a master's degree in industrial management from Central Michigan University. In addition, he completed a one year course of study with MIT as an International Relations Fellow.

Robinson is a member of the Oklahoma Space Industry Development Authority, the board of directors for New View Oklahoma, the national board of directors for the Center of Occupational Research and Development, the board of directors of Force Fifty Foundation, and several Project Lead The Way advisory boards. He is also a docent at the National Cowboy and Western Heritage Museum.

Robinson and his wife, Linda, reside in Oklahoma City. They are active members of the Crossings Christian Church. They have four children and ten grandchildren.

The secretary of veteran affairs and military is responsible for the following executive entities or their successors:

Adjutant General, State  
Agent Orange Outreach Committee  
Employment Security Commission, Oklahoma  
State Advisory Council and Board of Review

Strategic Military Planning Commission,  
Oklahoma  
Veterans Affairs, Department of  
Veterans Commission



# *Legislative Branch*





# Oklahoma State Senate

## Senate Leadership

President Lt. Gov.	Matt Pinnell	Majority Caucus Chair	Dave Rader
President Pro Tempore	Greg Treat	Majority Caucus Vice Chair	Greg McCortney
Majority Floor Leader	Kim David	Rural Caucus Chair	Darcy Jech
Assistant Floor Leader	Lonnie Paxton	Minority Leader	Kay Floyd
Assistant Floor Leader	Frank Simpson	Asst. Minority Leader	J.J. Dossett
Appropriations Committee Chair	Roger Thompson	Minority Caucus Chair	Kevin Matthews
Majority Whip	Rob Standridge	Minority Caucus Vice Chair	Michael Brooks
Assistant Majority Whip	Julie Daniels	Minority Whip	Allison Ikley-Freeman
Assistant Majority Whip	Casey Murdock		
Assistant Majority Whip	Marty Quinn		

## State Senators by District

Dist.	Name	Dist.	Name	Dist.	Name
1	Michael Bergstrom (R)	18	Kim David (R)	34	J.J. Dossett (D)
2	Marty Quinn (R)	19	Roland Pederson (R)	35	Gary Stanislawski (R)
3	Wayne Shaw (R)	20	Chuck Hall (R)	36	John Haste (R)
4	Mark Allen (R)	21	Tom Dugger (R)	37	Allison Ikley-Freeman (D)
5	Joseph Silk (R)	22	Stephanie Bice (R)	38	Brent Howard (R)
6	David Bullard (R)	23	Lonnie Paxton (R)	39	Dave Rader (R)
7	Larry Boggs (R)	24	Darrell Weaver (R)	40	Carri Hicks (D)
8	Roger Thompson (R)	25	Joe Newhouse (R)	41	Adam Pugh (R)
9	Dewayne Pemberton (D)	26	Darcy Jech (R)	42	Brenda Stanley (R)
10	Bill Coleman (R)	27	Casey Murdock (R)	43	Paul Scott (R)
11	Kevin Matthews (D)	28	Zach Taylor (R)	44	Michael Brooks (D)
12	James Leewright (R)	29	Julie Daniels (R)	45	Paul Rosino (R)
13	Greg McCortney (R)	30	Julia Kirt (D)	46	Kay Floyd (D)
14	Frank Simpson (R)	31	Chris Kidd (R)	47	Greg Treat (R)
15	Rob Standridge (R)	32	John Michael Montgomery (R)	48	George Young (D)
16	Mary Boren (D)	33	Nathan Dahm (R)		
17	Ron Sharp (R)				

## Senators Contact Reference List

Senator	Phone	Senator	Phone
Allen, Mark (4)	405/521-5576	McCortney, Greg (13)	405/521-5541
Bergstrom, Michael (1)	405/521-5561	Montgomery, John M. (32)	405/521-5567
Bice, Stephanie (22)	405/521-5592	Murdock, Casey (27)	405/521-5626
Boggs, Larry (7)	405/521-5604	Newhouse, Joe (25)	405/521-5675
Boren, Mary (16)	405/521-5553	Paxton, Lonnie (23)	405/521-5537
Brooks, Michael (44)	405/521-5557	Pederson, Roland (19)	405/521-5630
Bullard, David (6)	405/521-5586	Pemberton, Dewayne (9)	405/521-5533
Coleman, Bill (10)	405/521-5581	Pugh, Adam (41)	405/521-5622
Dahm, Nathan (33)	405/521-5551	Quinn, Marty (2)	405/521-5555
Daniels, Julie (29)	405/521-5634	Rader, Dave (39)	405/521-5620
David, Kim (18)	405/521-5590	Rosino, Paul (45)	405/521-5618
Dossett, J.J. (34)	405/521-5566	Scott, Paul (43)	405/521-5522
Dugger, Tom (21)	405/521-5572	Sharp, Ron (17)	405/521-5539
Floyd, Kay (46)	405/521-5610	Shaw, Wayne (3)	405/521-5574
Hall, Chuck (20)	405/521-5628	Silk, Joseph (5)	405/521-5614
Haste, John (36)	405/521-5602	Simpson, Frank (14)	405/521-5607
Hicks, Carri (40)	405/521-5543	Standridge, Rob (15)	405/521-5535
Howard, Brent (38)	405/521-5612	Stanislawski, Gary (35)	405/521-5624
Ikley-Freeman, Allison (37)	405/521-5600	Stanley, Brenda (42)	405/521-5584
Jech, Darcy (26)	405/521-5545	Taylor, Zach (28)	405/521-5547
Kidd, Chris (31)	405/521-5563	Thompson, Roger (8)	405/521-5588
Kirt, Julia (30)	405/521-5636	Treat, Greg (47)	405/521-5632
Leewright, James (12)	405/521-5528	Weaver, Darrell (24)	405/521-5569
Matthews, Kevin (11)	405/521-5598	Young, George (48)	405/521-5531

# Oklahoma State House of Representatives

## House of Representatives Leadership

Speaker	Charles McCall
Speaker Pro Tempore	Harold Wright
Majority Floor Leader	Jon Echols
Deputy Majority Floor Leader	Jon Pfeiffer
Deputy Majority Floor Leader	Dustin Roberts
Majority Leader	Mike Sanders
Majority Leader	Josh West
Assistant Majority Floor Leader	Garry Mize
Assistant Majority Floor Leader	Jay Steagall
Assistant Majority Floor Leader	Scott Fetgatter
Assistant Majority Floor Leader	Sheila Dills
Assistant Majority Floor Leader	Mark McBride
Majority Caucus Chair	Tammy West
Majority Caucus Vice Chair	Ross Ford
Majority Caucus Secretary	Carol Bush
Majority Whip	Terry O'Donnell
Assistant Majority Whip	Mike Osburn
Assistant Majority Whip	Lewis Moore
Assistant Majority Whip	Jadine Nollan
Assistant Majority Whip	Tammy Townley
Assistant Majority Whip	Sherrie Conley
Assistant Majority Whip	Davis Dean
Assistant Majority Whip	David Hardin
Assistant Majority Whip	Ryan Martinez
Assistant Majority Whip	Jim Olsen
Minority Leader	Emily Virgin
Minority Floor Leader	David Perryman
Minority Whip	Mickey Dollens
Minority Caucus Chair	Cyndi Munson
Minority Caucus Vice Chair	Monroe Nichols
Minority Caucus Secretary	Jason Lowe
Assistant Minority Floor Leader	Forrest Bennett
Assistant Minority Floor Leader	Regina Goodwin

## State Representatives by District

Dist.	Name	Dist.	Name	Dist.	Name
1	Johnny Tadlock (D)	37	Ken Luttrell (R)	72	Monroe Nichols (D)
2	Jim Olsen (R)	38	John Pfeiffer (R)	73	Regina Goodwin (D)
3	Lundy Kiger (R)	39	Ryan Martinez (R)	74	Mark Vancuren (R)
4	Matt Meridith (D)	40	Chad Caldwell (R)	75	T.J. Marti (R)
5	Josh West (R)	41	Denise Crosswhite Hader (R)	76	Ross Ford (R)
6	Rusty Cornwell (R)	42	Cynthia Roe (R)	77	John Waldron (D)
7	Ben Loring (D)	43	Jay Steagall (R)	78	Meloyde Blancett (D)
8	Tom Gann (R)	44	Emily Virgin (D)	79	Melissa Provenzano (D)
9	Mark Lepak (R)	45	Merleyn Bell (D)	80	Stan May (R)
10	Judd Strom (R)	46	Jacob Rosecrants (D)	81	Mike Osburn (R)
11	Darrel Fincher (R)	47	Brian Hill (R)	82	Nicole Miller (R)
12	Kevin McDugle (R)	48	Tammy Townley (R)	83	Chelsey Branham (D)
13	Avery Frix (R)	49	Tommy Hardin (R)	84	Tammy West (R)
14	Chris Sneed (R)	50	Marcus McEntire (R)	85	Cyndi Munson (D)
15	Randy Randleman (R)	51	Brad Boles (R)	86	David Hardin (R)
16	Scott Fetgatter (R)	52	Charles Ortega (R)	87	Collin Walke (D)
17	Jim Grego (R)	53	Mark McBride (R)	88	Jason Dunnington (D)
18	David Smith (R)	54	Kevin West (R)	89	Vacant**
19	Justin Humphrey (R)	55	Todd Russ (R)	90	Jon Echols (R)
20	Sherrie Conley (R)	56	David L. Perryman (D)	91	Chris Kannady (R)
21	Dustin Roberts (R)	57	Harold Wright (R)	92	Forrest Bennett (D)
22	Charles A. McCall (R)	58	Carl Newton (R)	93	Mickey Dollens (D)
23	Terry O'Donnell (R)	59	Mike Sanders (R)	94	Andy Fugate (D)
24	Logan Phillips (R)	60	Rhonda Baker (R)	95	Kelly Albright (D)
25	Ronny Johns (R)	61	Kenton Patzkowsky (R)	96	Lewis H. Moore (R)
26	Dell Kerbs (R)	62	Daniel Pae (R)	97	Jason Lowe (D)
27	Danny Sterling (R)	63	Trey Caldwell (R)	98	Dean Davis (R)
28	Vacant*	64	Rande Worthen (R)	99	Ajay Pittman (D)
29	Kyle Hilbert (R)	65	Toni Hasenbeck (R)	100	Marilyn Stark (R)
30	Mark Lawson (R)	66	Jadine Nollan (R)	101	Robert Manger (R)
31	Gary Mize (R)	67	Jeff Boatman (R)		
32	Kevin Wallace (R)	68	Lonnie Sims (R)		
33	John Talley (R)	69	Sheila Dills (R)		
34	Trish Ranson (D)	70	Carol Bush (R)		
35	Ty Burns (R)	71	Denise Brewer (D)		
36	Sean Roberts (R)				

\*Zach Taylor resigned his seat July 12, 2020. He won election to the Oklahoma State Senate in August 2020.

\*\*Shane Stone resigned his seat on December 31, 2019.

## Representatives Contact Reference List

Representative	Phone	Representative	Phone
Albright, Kelly (95)	405/557-7314	McEntire, Marcus (50)	405/557-7327
Baker, Rhonda (60)	405/557-7311	Meredith, Matt (4)	405/557-7408
Bell, Merleyn (45)	405/557-7386	Miller, Nicole (82)	405/557-7357
Bennett, Forest (92)	405/557-7404	Mize, Garry (31)	405/557-7350
Blancett, Meloyde (78)	405/557-7334	Moore, Lewis (96)	405/557-7400
Boatman, Jeff (67)	405/557-7341	Munson, Cyndi (85)	405/557-7392
Boles, Brad (51)	405/557-7405	Newton, Carl (58)	405/557-7339
Branham, Chelsey (83)	405/557-7409	Nichols, Monroe (72)	405/557-7391
Brewer, Denise (71)	405/557-7361	Nollan, Jadine (66)	405/557-7390
Burns, Ty (35)	405/557-7344	O'Donnell, Terry (23)	405/557-7379
Bush, Carol (70)	405/557-7359	Olsen, Jim (2)	405/557-7315
Caldwell, Chad (40)	405/557-7317	Ortega, Charles (52)	405/557-7369
Caldwell, Trey (63)	405/557-7307	Osburn, Mike (81)	405/557-7360
Conley, Sherrie (20)	405/557-7308	Pae, Daniel (62)	405/557-7374
Cornwell, Rusty (6)	405/557-7319	Patzkowsky, Kenton (61)	405/557-7384
Crosswhite Hader, Denise (41)	405/557-7321	Perryman, David L. (56)	405/557-7401
Davis, Dean (98)	405/557-7362	Pfeiffer, John (38)	405/557-7332
Dills, Sheila (69)	405/557-7331	Phillips, Logan (24)	405/557-7306
Dollens, Mickey (93)	405/557-7371	Pittman, Ajay (99)	405/557-7393
Dunnington, Jason (88)	405/557-7396	Provenzano, Melissa (79)	405/557-7330
Echols, Jon (90)	405/557-7354	Randleman, Randy (15)	405/557-7375
Fetgatter, Scott (16)	405/557-7373	Ranson, Trish (34)	405/557-7411
Fincher, Derrel (11)	405/557-7358	Roberts, Dustin (21)	405/557-7366
Ford, Ross (76)	405/557-7347	Roberts, Sean (36)	405/557-7322
Frix, Avery (13)	405/557-7302	Roe, Cynthia (42)	405/557-7365
Fugate, Andy (94)	405/557-7370	Rosecrants, Jacob (46)	405/557-7329
Gann, Tom (8)	405/557-7364	Russ, Todd (55)	405/557-7312
Goodwin, Regina (73)	405/557-7406	Sanders, Mike (59)	405/557-7407
Grego, Jim (17)	405/557-7381	Sims, Lonnie (68)	405/557-7340
Hardin, David (86)	405/557-7394	Smith, David (18)	405/557-7376
Hardin, Tommy (49)	405/557-7383	Sneed, Chris (14)	405/557-7310
Hasenbeck, Toni (65)	405/557-7305	Stark, Marilyn (100)	405/557-7403
Hilbert, Kyle (29)	405/557-7353	Steagall, Jay (43)	405/557-7352
Hill, Brian (47)	405/557-7333	Sterling, Danny (27)	405/557-7349
Humphrey, Justin (19)	405/557-7382	Strom, Judd (10)	405/557-7402
Johns, Ronny (25)	405/557-7336	Tadlock, Johnny (1)	405/557-7363
Kannady, Chris (91)	405/557-7337	Talley, John (33)	405/557-7304
Kerbs, Dell (26)	405/557-7345	Townley, Tammy (48)	405/557-7326
Kiger, Lundy (3)	405/557-7413	Vancuren, Mark (74)	405/557-7377
Lawson, Mark (30)	405/557-7414	Virgin, Emily (44)	405/557-7323
Lepak, Mark (9)	405/557-7380	Waldron, John (77)	405/557-7410
Loring, Ben (7)	405/557-7399	Walke, Collin (87)	405/557-7335
Lowe, Jason (97)	405/557-7367	Wallace, Kevin (32)	405/557-7368
Luttrell, Ken (37)	405/557-7355	West, Josh (5)	405/557-7415
Manger, Robert (101)	405/557-7395	West, Kevin (54)	405/557-7343
Marti, T.J. (75)	405/557-7356	West, Tammy (84)	405/557-7348
Martinez, Ryan (39)	405/557-7342	Worthen, Rande (64)	405/557-7398
May, Stan (80)	405/557-7338	Wright, Harold (57)	405/557-7325
McBride, Mark (53)	405/557-7346		
McCall, Charles A. (22)	405/557-7412		
McDugle, Kevin (12)	405/557-7388		



# *Judicial Branch*





# Oklahoma Court System

The Oklahoma Court System is made up of the Supreme Court, the Court of Criminal Appeals, the Court of Civil Appeals, and seventy-seven District Courts.

Courts of Last Resort	Civil—Supreme Court Criminal—Court of Criminal Appeals
Intermediate Appellate Court	Court of Civil Appeals
Courts of General Jurisdiction	District Courts
Courts of Limited Jurisdiction	Court on the Judiciary Court of Tax Review Workers' Compensation Court of Existing Claims Municipal Criminal Courts of Record Municipal Courts Not of Record
Court-Related Entities	Judicial Nominating Commission Dispute Resolution Advisory Board

Unlike most states, Oklahoma has two courts of last resort. The Oklahoma Supreme Court determines all issues of a civil nature, and the Oklahoma Court of Criminal Appeals decides all criminal matters. Members of these courts, and of the Court of Civil Appeals, are appointed by the governor from a list of three names submitted by the Oklahoma Judicial Nominating Commission. The Oklahoma Supreme Court has nine justices; the Court of Criminal Appeals, five judges; and the Court of Civil Appeals, twelve judges.

The Court of Civil Appeals is responsible for the majority of appellate decisions. These opinions may be released for publication by either the Oklahoma Supreme Court or the Court of Civil Appeals. When the opinions are released by the Oklahoma Supreme Court, they have precedential value. The Court of Civil Appeals is made up of four divisions, each composed of three judges. Two divisions of the Court of Civil Appeals are located in Oklahoma City, and two are in Tulsa.

Deciding cases is only one of the Oklahoma Supreme Court's functions. The court is also responsible for administering the state's entire judicial system. The court establishes rules of operation for all other courts in the state. The court formulates rules for practice of law, which govern the conduct of all attorneys, and it administers discipline in appropriate cases.

Administrative services for the court system are provided by the Administrative Office of the Courts. For more information please contact the Administrative Office of the Courts at 405/556-9300.

# Supreme Court

Constitution, Article 7 § 1

**History and Function**—The Oklahoma Supreme Court determines all issues of a civil nature in the State of Oklahoma. Members of this court are appointed by the governor from a list of three names submitted by the Oklahoma Judicial Nominating Commission.

Name	City	District
Noma D. Gurich, Chief Justice	Oklahoma City	3
Richard Darby, Vice Chief Justice	Altus	9
Tom Colbert	Tulsa	6
Douglas Combs	Oklahoma City	8
James Edmondson	Muskogee	7
M. John Kane IV	Tulsa	1
Yvonne Kauger	Colony	4
Dustin P. Rowe	Tishomingo	2
James R. Winchester	Chickasha	5

**Administration**—Jari Askins, Administrative Director of the Courts; Debra Charles, General Counsel. Administrative Office of the Courts is located in the Oklahoma Judicial Center, 2100 N Lincoln Blvd., Suite 3, Oklahoma City 73105 ■ 405/556-9300 ■ www.oscn.net ■ Agency Code 677, IA

**Clerk of the Appellate Courts** (Constitution, Article 7 § 5; 20 O.S. 2001, § 78), John Hadden. Clerk Office is located in the Oklahoma Judicial Center, 2100 N Lincoln Blvd., Oklahoma City, OK 73105 ■ 405/556-9400

## Staff Attorneys

Name	Justice	Name	Justice
Marilyn Best	Tom Colbert	Bevan Stockdell	M. John Kane, IV
Selden Jones	Douglas L. Combs	Rachel Shepherd	M. John Kane, IV
Dallas Coplin	Richard Darby	Julie Rorie	Yvonne Kauger
Katie Wilmes	Richard Darby	W. Kyle Shifflett	Yvonne Kauger
Marissa Lane	James Edmondson	Chance Johnson	Dustin Rowe
Michael Elliott	James Edmondson	Rachel Rogers	James Winchester
John W. Turner	Noma Gurich	Jill van Egmond	James Winchester
Cullen Sweeney	Noma Gurich		

**Referees**—Kyle Rogers, Ann Hadrava, John D. Holden, and Brant Elmore

**Marshall**—Sharon Schooley

# Justices of the Supreme Court



**Chief Justice Noma D. Gurich**, District 3, was born on September 26, 1952, in South Bend, Indiana, and Gurich graduated from Penn High School in Mishawaka, Indiana. She graduated magna cum laude from Indiana State University in 1975 with a degree in political science. Gurich received her juris doctorate degree from the University of Oklahoma College of Law in 1978. She was an editor of the *American Indian Law Review*, and received the Professional Responsibility Award. Gurich has lived in Oklahoma City for more than forty years. Before she began her judicial career, Gurich was engaged in private law practice in Oklahoma City for ten years. In 1988 she was appointed by Governor Henry Bellmon to serve as a judge on the Oklahoma Workers' Compensation Court. She served as presiding judge of that court for four years. She was reappointed for a second

term by Governor David Walters in 1994. After being appointed by Governor Frank Keating to the district court bench in July 1998, she won a countywide election for district judge that same year. She was re-elected without opposition in 2002, 2006, and 2010. Gurich served as the presiding administrative judge for the Seventh Judicial District, Oklahoma County, from January 2003 to December 31, 2004. She presided over more than 190 jury trials during her career as district judge. While serving as a district judge, Gurich served as the presiding judge of both the 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> Multi-county Grand Juries (2007–2008 and 2009–2010) by order of the chief justice of the Oklahoma Supreme Court. Gurich was appointed by Governor Brad Henry as the third woman justice of the Oklahoma Supreme Court, and she took office on February 15, 2011. She was sworn in as chief justice on January 1, 2019. Gurich served as president of the William J. Holloway, Jr. American Inn of Court from 2007 to April of 2008. She continues as a master member of the Inn. She received the 2003 Mona Salyer Lambird Spotlight Award from the OBA Women in Law Committee. Gurich was a three time *Journal Record* Honoree for Woman of the Year in 2005, 2008, and 2011, and a member of the Circle of Excellence. She was named Judge of the Year by ABOTA in 2011. Indiana State University selected her as a 2012 Distinguished Alumni. In 2013, the Association of Women in Communications honored Gurich with a Byliner Award. In March 2014, Gurich received a Valuable Volunteer Award by the Foundation for Oklahoma City Public Schools. In 2016 she was inducted into the OU College of Law Order of the Owl Hall of Fame. Gurich was inducted into the Oklahoma Women's Hall of Fame in 2019. She is a member of the OU College of Law Board of Visitors. Gurich is also a member of the Salt and Light Leadership Training Class 8. She served as the Key Club advisor for the Southeast High School Key Club. She is past president (2006–2007) and member of the Kiwanis Club of Oklahoma City. Gurich served from 2015 to 2016 on the Oklahoma County Criminal Justice Task Force. She serves annually on the Application Screening Committee for the Oklahoma School of Science and Mathematics. She is an active member of St. Luke's United Methodist Church, where she is a volunteer Meals on Wheels driver and television camera operator. Gurich is married to John E. Miley, who is the general counsel of the Oklahoma Employment Security Commission. Gurich can be reached at Suite 1, Oklahoma Judicial Center, 2100 N Lincoln, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73105 or 405/556-9362.

**Vice Chief Justice Richard Darby**, District 9. Governor Mary Fallin appointed Richard Darby to the Oklahoma Supreme Court from District 9 on April 5, 2018. Darby earned a bachelor's degree in political science from Southwestern Oklahoma State University, and a Juris Doctor from the University of Oklahoma College of Law. He served as a district judge for the 3<sup>rd</sup> Judicial, which includes Jackson, Kiowa, Tillman, Greer, and Harmon counties. He also served as a special judge and an associate district judge for Jackson County. Darby, and his wife Dana, have two grown sons. Darby can be reached at Suite 1, Oklahoma Judicial Center, 2100 N Lincoln, Oklahoma City, OK 73105, or 405/556-9359.

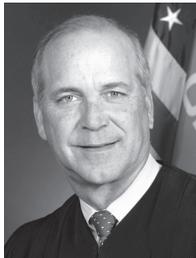


**Justice Tom Colbert**, District 6. Colbert, the first African-American to serve on the Oklahoma Supreme Court, was born in Oklahoma City. He graduated from Sapulpa High School, earned an associate's degree from Eastern Oklahoma State College in 1970, and a bachelor of science degree from Kentucky State University in 1973. While at Kentucky State, Colbert was named an All-American in track and field. Colbert served in the United States Army and received an honorable discharge in 1975. He earned a master of education

degree from Eastern Kentucky University in 1976 and taught in the public schools in Chicago, Illinois. Colbert received his juris doctorate from the University of Oklahoma in 1982. He was an assistant dean at Marquette University Law School from 1982–1984, and an assistant district attorney in Oklahoma County from 1984–1986, before entering private law practice at Miles-LaGrange and Colbert from 1986 to 1989. Colbert continued his practice under the name Colbert and Associates from 1989 to 2000. He also served as an attorney for the Oklahoma Department of Human Services from 1988 to 1989 and again in 1999. In March 2000, Colbert became the first African-American appointed to the Oklahoma Court of Civil Appeals. He was appointed by Governor Brad Henry. He served as chief judge of that court in 2004. On October 7, 2004, Governor Henry appointed Colbert to the Oklahoma Supreme Court. In January 2011, Colbert was sworn in as the court's first African-American vice chief justice. On January 1, 2013, he became the first African-American to be sworn in as the court's chief justice. Colbert is a member of the American Bar Association, the National Bar Association, the Oklahoma Bar Association, and the Tulsa County Bar Association. He is a frequent speaker at schools. Colbert can be reached at Suite 1, Oklahoma Judicial Center, 2100 N Lincoln, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73105, or 405/556-9365.



**Douglas L. Combs**, District 8. Combs was born on October 17, 1951, in Shawnee, Oklahoma. He is a member of the Muscogee Nation. Combs was appointed by Governor Brad Henry to the Oklahoma Supreme Court on January 1, 2011, and he served as the court's chief justice from December 2016 to January 1, 2019. He served as district judge in the twenty-third judicial district from 2003 through 2010, and served as special judge from 1995 to 2003. Prior to taking the bench, Combs was in private practice and served as an assistant state attorney general and as a deputy clerk for the Oklahoma Supreme Court. Combs graduated from Shawnee High School in 1969. He attended St. Gregory's Junior College and the University of Oklahoma to earn a bachelor's degree in political science in 1973. He earned his juris doctorate from the Oklahoma City University School of Law in 1976, and was admitted to



the bar the same year. Combs has served as chief judge of the twenty-third judicial district and as the presiding judge of the North Central Administrative Judicial District. He served as a board member of the Oklahoma Judicial Conference from 2006 to 2010, and held the office of president of the Oklahoma Judicial Conference in 2009. Combs is married to Janet Lea Combs, and they have two children: Christopher T. Combs and Eric L. Combs, both members of the Oklahoma Bar Association. He is a resident of Shawnee, Oklahoma. Combs can be reached at Suite 1, Oklahoma Judicial Center, 2100 N Lincoln, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73105, or 405/556-9361.

**Justice James E. Edmondson**, District 7. Born in Kansas City, Missouri, Edmondson received a bachelor's degree from Northeastern State University in 1967. He served in the United States Navy from 1967 to 1969. Following his military service, Edmondson enrolled at Georgetown University Law School and received his law degree in 1973. His legal career includes serving as Muskogee County's assistant district attorney from 1976 to 1978, assistant United States attorney from 1978 to 1980, and acting U.S. attorney for Oklahoma's Eastern District from 1980 to 1981. Edmondson entered private law practice and was a partner in the Edmondson Law Office from 1981 through 1983. He served as district judge for District 15 in 1983 and continued in that capacity for twenty years. Governor Brad Henry appointed Edmondson as justice to the Oklahoma Supreme Court on December 2, 2003. He served as chief justice in 2009 and 2010. He and his wife, Suzanne, have two grown children, Jimmy and Sarah, a granddaughter Essie, and a grandson, Jack. Edmondson can be reached at Suite 1, Oklahoma Judicial Center, 2100 N Lincoln, Oklahoma City, OK 73105, or 405/556-9316.



**Justice John Kane IV**, District 1. Governor Kevin Stitt appointed John Kane IV to the Oklahoma Supreme Court on September 17, 2019. Kane began his law career as an attorney in 1987 at Kane, Kane & Kane Law Offices, a law firm founded by his father and grandfather in Pawhuska, Oklahoma. From 1987 to 1989 he served as an assistant district attorney. He also served as an administrative law judge for the Oklahoma Department of Human Services Child Support Division from 1999–2005. From 2005 to 2019 Kane served as district judge for the 10<sup>th</sup> Judicial District

in Osage County, where he presided over tens of thousands of cases. Kane can be reached at Suite 1, Oklahoma Judicial Center, 2100 N Lincoln, Oklahoma City, OK 73105, or 405/556-9359.



**Justice Yvonne Kauger**, District 4. A fourth generation Oklahoman, Kauger was born in Cordell, Oklahoma, on August 3, 1937, and raised in Colony, Oklahoma. A graduate of Southwestern Oklahoma State University and the Oklahoma City University School of Law, Kauger served as presiding judge for the Court on the Judiciary, and on the Law School and Bench and Bar Committees of the Oklahoma Bar Association. Governor George Nigh appointed her as justice to the Oklahoma Supreme Court on March 11, 1984. She served as the court's chief justice from January 1997 to December 1998, and she is the first woman to serve as the court's chief justice and vice chief justice. Kauger founded the Gallery of the Plains Indian in Colony, co-founded Red Earth, and has served as coordinator for the Sovereignty Symposium since its inception in 1987. The symposium is a seminar on Indian law

sponsored by the Oklahoma Supreme Court. Kauger has received numerous honors and awards throughout her distinguished career including being named valedictorian of her graduating class at Colony High School, and graduating first in her class from the OCU School of Law. In 1984 she was adopted by the Cheyenne and Arapaho tribes of Oklahoma. She was named National Delta Zeta in 1988, and received the Oklahoma City Pioneer Award in 1989. Kauger served as the featured speaker at the Twentieth William O. Douglas Lecture Series at Gonzaga University in 1990. She received an honorary doctorate degree from OCU in 1991, and has been named as an honorary alumnus by both OCU and Southwestern Oklahoma State University. In June 1999 the American Judicature Society awarded Kauger the Herbert Harley Award in recognition of her outstanding efforts to improve the administration of justice. That same year, the Oklahoma Bar Association honored her with the Judicial Excellence Award. In March 2001 Justice Kauger was inducted into the Oklahoma Women's Hall of Fame. In 2004 she was named one of the ten most notable women in Oklahoma City by the Oklahoma City Orchestra League. In 2005 Kauger received the Governor's Art Award, and in 2012, she again received the Governor's Art Award for her work in creating an extensive public art collection in the Oklahoma Judicial Center. In addition, she is a member of the District State-Federal Judicial Council and the Washita County Hall of Fame. She chaired the Oklahoma Judicial Center Building Committee, and the Building Art Committee. In 2012 she received the Lifetime Achievement Award from the Paseo Arts Association. In 2017 she began renovating the Gallery of the Plains Indian building in Colony, and is the generator of the Colony Mural Project in which Comanche Artist Eric Tippeconnic is painting Colony's downtown with murals to coincide with the Cheyenne Arapaho Tribe bringing buffalo back to Colony. Kauger can be reached at Oklahoma Judicial Center, 2100 N Lincoln, Oklahoma City, OK 73105, or 405/556-9364.

**Justice Dustin P. Rowe**, District 2. Rowe is a lifelong resident of Tishomingo, and a graduate of Tishomingo High School. At the age of eighteen, while still a senior in high school, he won election to the Tishomingo City Council, where he served two terms as the youngest mayor in the state. Rowe earned a bachelor of arts degree with honors from East Central University, and his Juris Doctor degree from the University of Oklahoma College of Law, where his graduating class awarded him the Professional Responsibility Award and the faculty awarded him the Joseph Rarick Award. Rowe practiced law in Tishomingo from 2001 to 2019, where he served as Tishomingo City Attorney for eighteen years. He served as special judge of the Chickasaw Nation District Court from 2005-2011, and as a district judge of the Chickasaw Nation District Court from 2011-2019. Rowe was appointed to the Oklahoma Supreme Court by Governor Kevin Stitt on November 20, 2019. He assumed office on December 20, 2019. He is an enrolled member of the Chickasaw Nation. He and his wife are the proud parents of two children. Rowe can be reached at Oklahoma Judicial Center, 2100 N Lincoln, Oklahoma City, OK 73105 or [dustin.rowe@oscn.net](mailto:dustin.rowe@oscn.net).



**Justice James R. Winchester**, District 5. Winchester was appointed as a member of the Oklahoma Supreme Court by Governor Frank Keating in 2000. He served as chief justice of the court January 2007 to December 2008. A native of Clinton, Oklahoma, he received his Bachelor of Arts degree from the University of Oklahoma and his juris doctorate from Oklahoma City University. After graduating from law school, Winchester practiced law in western Oklahoma before being named associate district judge for Caddo County in January 1983. In



December 1983, at age 30, he became one of the youngest district judges in the state when he was appointed by Governor George Nigh as district judge for the Sixth Judicial District of Oklahoma. He was named an Outstanding State Trial Court Judge and is a past president of the Oklahoma Judicial Conference. During his fifteen years on the bench, he presided over both civil and criminal cases, including death-penalty trials and multi-million dollar oil and gas disputes. He oversaw hundreds of jury trials ranging from dog bites to first degree murder. For two years, Winchester served as a U.S. administrative law judge in Oklahoma City and New Orleans. Winchester is a graduate of Leadership Oklahoma and the recent recipient of the Boy Scouts of America Silver Beaver Award. He recently completed the Program on Negotiation at Harvard Law School. He resides in Chickasha, Oklahoma, with his wife, Susan Winchester, and their son Davis. Winchester can be reached at Suite 1, Oklahoma Judicial Center, 2100 N Lincoln, Oklahoma City, OK 73105, or 405/556-9367.

# Court of Criminal Appeals

Constitution, Article 7 § 1

**History and Function**—The Oklahoma Court of Criminal Appeals is the highest court in Oklahoma with appellate jurisdiction in criminal cases. It is the state court of last resort in criminal matters. The court derives its origin and jurisdiction from the state constitution, which was formulated by the constitutional convention and submitted to and adopted by the people of Oklahoma at the first election on September 17, 1907. Members of this court are appointed by the governor from a list of three names submitted by the Oklahoma Judicial Nominating Commission.

Name	City	District
David B. Lewis, Presiding Judge	Lawton	5
Dana Kuehn, Vice Presiding Judge	Tulsa	1
Robert L. Hudson	Guthrie	2
Gary L. Lumpkin	Madill	3
Scott Rowland	Oklahoma City	4

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# Judges of the Court of Criminal Appeals



**Presiding Judge David Lewis**, District 5. Lewis was born in Ardmore, Oklahoma. Governor Brad Henry appointed him to the position on August 4, 2005. He served as presiding judge for 2013–2014. Lewis earned a bachelor's degree with high honors from the University of Oklahoma in 1980. He also earned his law degree from the University of Oklahoma College of Law in 1983. He served four years as a Comanche County prosecutor, after serving four years in private practice. Lewis served as Comanche County special district judge from 1991 to 1999. He was a district judge for Comanche, Stephens, Jefferson, and Cotton counties from 1999 to 2005. He has served as president of the Oklahoma Judicial Conference and is a fellow of the Oklahoma Bar Association. Lewis was selected as a member of the Class of 2008 Henry Toll Fellowship Program of the Council

of State Governments, and also served as chairman of Reach Out and Read Oklahoma. Currently he serves on the Girl Scouts of Western Oklahoma Board of Directors. In 2017 he was inducted into the Order of the Owl Hall of Fame at the University of Oklahoma College of Law. Lewis has two children—a son, David Jr., and a daughter, Danielle. Lewis can be reached at Suite 2, Oklahoma Judicial Center, 2100 N Lincoln, Oklahoma City, OK 73105, or 405/556-9611.

**Vice Presiding Judge Dana Kuehn**, District 1, Kuehn was appointed to the Oklahoma Court of Criminal Appeals on October 2, 2017, by Governor Mary Fallin to fill the unexpired term of Judge Clancy Smith. A native of Tulsa, she attended Oklahoma State University, receiving a bachelor's degree in political science in 1993. Kuehn was a top-ten graduate of the OSU College of Arts and Sciences and a member of Kappa Alpha Theta Sorority of which she served as president. She received her Juris Doctor degree from the University of Tulsa College of Law in 1996. After graduating law school, Kuehn served as a felony prosecutor for almost ten years with the Tulsa County District Attorney's Office. As lead counsel, she tried more than seventy-five cases. She headed the Crimes Against Children Unit and also served as chief of the Juvenile Division. She was an associate with the firm of Steidley & Neal from 1999–2000. In 2006, Judge Kuehn was elected Associate District Judge of Tulsa County. She presided over a felony docket and conducted more than seventy-five jury trials. In that capacity, she also worked closely with Women In Recovery for alternative sentencing options for women. Judge Kuehn then presided over a civil docket from 2008 to 2017 conducting more than 100 jury trials. Judge Kuehn served as chief of the Civil Division at Tulsa County from 2010 through 2012. She teaches a Juvenile Law and Evidence Workshop at the University of Tulsa College of Law. She is past president of the Alumnae Board and was selected Outstanding Junior Alumnae. In May 2017, she was inducted into the Tulsa College of Law Hall of Fame and received the Thomas Coffman Community Service Award. Judge Kuehn is an active member of the Tulsa County Bar Association and Oklahoma Bar Association. She is a recipient of the 2016 Mona Salyer Lambird Spotlight Award. In 2017, the American Board of Trial Advocates recognized her as Judge of the Year for the State of Oklahoma. Judge Kuehn is a proud mother of four boys and wife of Patrick Kuehn. She is a Youth Deacon at her family's church, Kirk of the Hills Presbyterian. Her favorite past-times are volunteering for her children's school and sports teams, cheering on the Oklahoma State Cowboys, and reading history.



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**Judge Robert L. Hudson**, District 2, was born in Guthrie, Oklahoma, and graduated from Guthrie High School in 1975. He graduated from Oklahoma State University in 1980 with a double major in agricultural economics and accounting. He earned his Juris Doctor degree from the University of Oklahoma School of Law in 1983. After graduating from law school, Hudson was in the private practice of law in Guthrie, Oklahoma, from 1983 to 1996. In April 1996 he was appointed by then Governor Frank Keating as district attorney for Payne and Logan counties, a post he was re-elected to four consecutive terms. In 2011 Hudson accepted the position of first assistant attorney general in the Attorney General's Office. In November 2012, he became special judge in the 9<sup>th</sup> Judicial District, where he served the citizens of Logan and Payne counties for over two years before being

appointed to the Oklahoma Court of Criminal Appeals by Governor Mary Fallin in April 2015. Among Hudson's

achievements, honors, and awards, in 1980 he was named Oklahoma State University College of Agriculture's Most Outstanding Graduate and one of OSU's Top Five Graduating Senior Men. While in law school, he was a member of the 1983 Regional Winning National Mock Trial Team. In 2000 and 2011, he was named the state's Outstanding District Attorney by the Oklahoma District Attorneys Association, and served two terms as president of the Oklahoma District Attorneys Association (2000 and 2008). Hudson is a member of Leadership Oklahoma Class XVII. He served as a commissioner for the Oklahoma State Bureau of Investigation for nearly ten years. Hudson and his wife, Mary Hughes Hudson, married in 1981. She is a school teacher. They have five adult children and numerous grandchildren. Hudson also owns and operates a wheat and cow-calf operation in the Guthrie area. He is a deacon in the First Southern Baptist Church in Guthrie. Hudson can be reached at Suite 2, Oklahoma Judicial Center, Oklahoma City, OK 73105 or 405/556-9649.

**Judge Gary L. Lumpkin**, District 3. Originally a native of Sentinel, Oklahoma, Lumpkin graduated from Weatherford High School in 1964. He received a bachelor's degree in business administration from Southwestern State College in 1968, and a Juris Doctor degree from the University of Oklahoma School of Law in 1974. Lumpkin served in the United States Marine Corps from 1968 to 1971, serving eighteen months in Vietnam. He retired in 1998, after thirty years of service, with the rank of colonel in the Marine Corps Reserves. He completed his military service as one of only two Marine Reserve judges assigned to the Navy-Marine Corps Court of Criminal Appeals. Lumpkin worked as a staff attorney for the Oklahoma Department of Consumer Affairs. He was appointed assistant district attorney for Marshal County in 1976, and subsequently first assistant district attorney for the Twentieth District.

Lumpkin served as associate district judge for Marshal County from 1982 to 1985, and as district judge, Twentieth Judicial District, Division II from 1985 to 1989. Governor Henry Bellmon appointed him to the Oklahoma Court of Criminal Appeals, and he began his service on the court in January 1989. Lumpkin was named Outstanding Young Man of America by the U.S. Jaycees in 1979, and Outstanding Assistant District Attorney of the Third Congressional District by the Oklahoma District Attorneys Association in 1981. He also received the 1999 William J. Holloway Jr. Professionalism Award from the William J. Holloway Jr. American Inn of Court. Southwestern Oklahoma State University selected him as their 2007 Distinguished Alumnus and inducted him into the University Hall of Fame. Lumpkin is a member of the Marine Corps Reserve Association; Oklahoma, Oklahoma County, and Marshal County bar associations; Benefactor Fellow of the Oklahoma Bar Foundation; Oklahoma Judicial Conference; Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 4611; and the William J. Holloway Jr. American Inns of Court CV. In addition, he is a member of the Oklahoma City Rotary Club 29, and a Paul Harris Fellow. From 2001 to 2007, he was a member of the National Center for State Courts Board of Directors in Williamsburg, Virginia, and is currently a member of The Conferences of Chief Justices. He is a current member of the advisory board for the Trinity Legal Clinic. Lumpkin and his wife, Barbara, are from Madill and have one child. They are members of Waterloo Road Baptist Church. Lumpkin can be reached at Room N 308, Oklahoma Judicial Center, 2100 N Lincoln, Oklahoma City, OK 73105, or 405/556-9642.



**Judge Scott Rowland**, District 4, was appointed to the Court of Criminal Appeals in November 2017 by Governor Mary Fallin. He grew up in Wynnewood graduating from high school there in 1983, and then earned his Bachelor of Arts degree in journalism/political science from the University of Oklahoma in 1987. After earning his Juris Doctor cum laude from Oklahoma City University School of Law in 1994, Rowland served as an assistant attorney general for the State of Oklahoma, general counsel to the Oklahoma Bureau of Narcotics and Dangerous Drugs, and for eleven years as first assistant district attorney in the Oklahoma County District Attorney's Office. He has lectured throughout the United States on various areas of criminal constitutional procedure, authored numerous articles on Fourth, Fifth, and Sixth Amendment law, and has been an adjunct instructor of criminal and constitutional

law at Oklahoma State University at Oklahoma City since 1998. Rowland was inducted into the Oklahoma Law Enforcement Hall of Fame in 2016, named outstanding Adjunct Faculty at OSU-OKC in 2017, Outstanding Oklahoma Prosecutor for 2013 by the Oklahoma District Attorneys' Association, and State Prosecutor of the Year for 2001 and 2004 by the Association of Oklahoma Narcotic Enforcers. He and his wife, Shannon, live in Oklahoma City with their daughters Caroline and Emma.

# Court of Civil Appeals

20 O.S. § 30.1

**History and Function**—The Oklahoma Court of Civil Appeals is the intermediate Court of Appeals for all civil cases filed in Oklahoma. Created by the Oklahoma Legislature in 1968, six new positions were added to the original six judges of the Oklahoma Court of Civil Appeals in 1982. With terms of six years each, judges are elected on a non-partisan retention ballot from each of the six congressional districts as they existed before the 2002 election. If a majority of those who cast ballots vote in favor of retention, the judge will serve another term. If a vacancy occurs on the Court of Civil Appeals prior to the expiration of a term, the governor appoints a successor, from three names submitted by the Judicial Nominating Commission. The clerk of the Oklahoma Supreme Court serves as clerk of the Court of Civil Appeals. The Court of Civil Appeals consists of twelve judges, six that sit in Oklahoma City, and six that sit in Tulsa. Those judges from Congressional Districts 1, 2, and 3 comprise Divisions 2 and 4 in Tulsa. Those judges from Congressional Districts 4, 5, and 6, comprise Divisions 1 and 3 in Oklahoma City. These divisions are three-judge panels, the membership of which changes each year. The chief judge and vice-chief judge are selected and rotate each year between Oklahoma City and Tulsa.

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Robert D. Bell	Norman	E. Bay Mitchell	Enid
Kenneth L. Buettner	OKC	Trevor S. Pemberton	OKC
Brian Jack Goree	Tulsa	Barbara Swinton	OKC
Divisions 2 & 4—Tulsa			
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# Judges of the Court of Civil Appeals

## Oklahoma City



**Vice Chief Judge Barbara Swinton**, Oklahoma City, District 4, Office 1. Governor Mary Fallin appointed Swinton to serve on the Oklahoma Court of Appeals on September 16, 2016. She was elected as district judge for Oklahoma County in November 2002, and served in that capacity until 2016. Prior to her election as district judge, Swinton served as a special judge from 1996 to 2002.

Swinton's hometowns include Oklahoma City, Okmulgee, and Tulsa, where she graduated from Nathan Hale High School. She earned a bachelor's degree with honors in political science from Oklahoma State University in 1982, and graduated from Georgia State University School of Law in 1991. Other cities of residence include Manhattan, Kansas; Kansas City, Missouri; and Atlanta, Georgia. During her legal career, she practiced general civil and family law with Riggs, Abney, Neal, Turpen, Orbison, and Lewis for four years. Swinton also served as a trial attorney with David W. Lee and Associates for one year, where she handled family law and federal civil rights cases.

Swinton has served as president of the Oklahoma County Bar Association; president of the Oklahoma Judicial Conference Executive Board; past chair of the Oklahoma Judges Association; the Oklahoma Bar Association Professionalism Committee; past co-chair of the OBA Bench and Bar Committee; the Oklahoma Bar Association Professionalism Committee; and has been awarded the Leadership in Law award from the Journal Record in 2007. In 2015 she was awarded the Mona Salyer Lambird Spotlight Award. Swinton also serves as an adjunct professor at Oklahoma City University Law School in the areas of pretrial litigation and trial practice. She currently serves on the Oklahoma Bar Association Access to Justice, Women in Law, and Bench and Bar committees.

Swinton has served on the board of directors of Justice Alma Wilson Seeworth Academy, board of elders for Crown Heights Christian Church, and is past district president of the National Exchange Club. She is active in the Greater Oklahoma City Panhellenic Alumnae Association and the Zeta Tau Alpha OKC alumnae group, and is a life member of the Oklahoma State University Alumni Association. She is a graduate of class eighteen of Leadership Oklahoma City and class twenty-two of Leadership Oklahoma. Swinton and her husband, Charles, have three adult children, and two perfect grandchildren.

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**Judge Robert D. Bell**, District 5, Office 2. Born on May 11, 1967, in Norman, Oklahoma, Bell graduated from the Norman Public School system. He received a bachelor's degree from the University of Oklahoma, a Juris Doctor degree from the University of Tulsa College of Law, and an LLM from the Duke University School of Law. Following law school, Bell worked in private law practice in Norman for thirteen years. During the same time, he served as municipal judge for the cities of Blanchard, Broken Arrow, Noble, Moore, and Purcell. He has served as an adjunct professor at the University of Oklahoma College of Law since 1998. In June 2005 he was appointed to the Oklahoma Court of Civil Appeals. He was retained in a statewide vote in 2006, 2012, and 2018. He was elected chief judge for 2011. The *Journal Record* named Bell as one of Oklahoma's Achievers Under 40 (Class III) in 2006. Bell has been given commendations for judicial service by both Governor Brad Henry and Governor Mary Fallin. He is a member of the District of Columbia and Oklahoma bar associations. In 2015, Bell was appointed to serve on the United States Supreme Court Historical Society. Bell and his wife, Carolyn, have two children, Bradleigh, a law student at Southern Methodist University, and Addy, a law student at the University of Oklahoma.



**Judge Kenneth L. Buettner**, District 5, Office 1. Born on June 17, 1950, in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, Buettner received a bachelor's degree from Texas Christian University in 1972, and a Juris Doctor degree from Southern Methodist University in 1975. He has completed additional graduate work at the University of Denver and the University of Central Oklahoma. Buettner served in the United States Air Force from 1976 to 1980 in the

Judge Advocate General's Corps. Professionally, he served as president of the Oklahoma Judicial Conference in 2005, and has served on its executive board from 2002 to 2006. Buettner's civic participation includes Leadership Edmond Class IX; Leadership Oklahoma Class XVI; Edmond Public School Foundation trustee from 1995 to 2001; Oklahoma Foundation for Excellence trustee, 2001 to present; St. John's Endowment Fund trustee, 1995 to 2003; St. John the Baptist Catholic Church Finance Board from 1990 to 1996, and 2006–2012; and the Board of Christian Education, 1998 to 2003. He is a member of the Oklahoma and Oklahoma County bar associations as well as the Colorado Bar and State Bar of Texas. He is an Oklahoma Bar Foundation Sustaining Fellow, and a master of the Luther Bohanon American Inn of Court.



**Judge Brian Jack Goree**, District 6, Office 2. Born March 18, 1964, Goree was raised in Tulsa and earned a bachelor's degree in chemistry from the University of Oklahoma in 1986. He received his law degree from the University of Tulsa in 1989, and is a registered patent attorney. Goree worked in private practice in Tulsa for twenty-three years, primarily focusing on legal research and writing. He is a past chairman of the Appellate Practice Section of the Oklahoma Bar Association, and is dedicated to encouraging and advising law school students. Governor Mary Fallin appointed Goree to the Oklahoma Court of Civil Appeals in 2012. He and his wife, Jill, live in Oklahoma City.

**Judge E. Bay Mitchell, III**, Enid, District 6, Office 1. Mitchell was born on November 6, 1953. He grew up in Enid, Oklahoma, and graduated from Enid High School in 1972. He attended the University of Oklahoma, where he received a bachelor's degree in 1976 and a Juris Doctor degree in 1979. Mitchell worked in private law practice for fourteen years in Oklahoma City and in Enid. In 1993 he became staff attorney to the Honorable Carl B. Jones of the Oklahoma Court of Civil Appeals. Governor Frank Keating appointed Mitchell to the Oklahoma Court of Civil Appeals in 2002, and the voters retained him in 2004, 2006, 2012, and 2018. He served as chief judge of the Court of Civil Appeals in 2009. Mitchell is a member of the Oklahoma Bar Association, and the Oklahoma County Bar Association. He served two three-year terms on the board of directors of the Oklahoma Bar Association, and also served as chairman of the C.L.E. Committee, and the Bench and Bar Committee. He is also a member of the OBA Appellate Practice Section, a Sustaining Fellow of the Oklahoma Bar Foundation, and a member of the Oklahoma Supreme Court Committee for Uniform Jury Instructions. He is a master emeritus of the Ginsburg Chapter of the American Inns of Court. He is a former member of the OBA Administration of Justice Committee, Oklahoma Association of Defense Counsel, Defense Research Institute, and a volunteer at Legal Aid of Western Oklahoma. He has been admitted to practice in all Oklahoma state courts, the U.S. District Courts for the Western and Northern Districts of Oklahoma, the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Tenth Circuit, and the U.S. Supreme Court. Mitchell and his wife, Debra, have three grown children—Elliot, Madeline, and Adam.



**Judge Trevor S. Pemberton**, District 4, Office 2. Governor Kevin Stitt appointed Trevor S. Pemberton to the Oklahoma Court of Civil Appeals on August 24, 2020. His appointment fills the vacancy for Judge Larry E. Joplin, who retired from the court. Pemberton has served as chief district judge of the Oklahoma County Juvenile Division since May 2019. In addition, he served as a district judge for Oklahoma County from January 2018 to May 2019, and as a special district judge for Oklahoma County from May 2017 to January 2018. He was in private practice from 2008 to 2017, and worked at firms including Foliart, Huff, Ottaway & Bottom; Mulinix, Ogden, Hall, Andrews & Ludlan; and Hayes, Magrini & Gatewood. Pemberton earned his bachelor's degree from the University of Oklahoma in 2005, and his Juris Doctor from Oklahoma City University School of Law, where he graduated Cum Laude, in 2008. An

active member of the Oklahoma City community, Pemberton currently serves on the board of directors for the Salt and Light Leadership Training (SALLT), and the OCU Law Alumni Association.

## Tulsa



**Chief Judge Jane P. Wiseman**, District 1, Office 2. Wiseman received a Bachelor of Arts degree from Cornell University, a Master of Arts degree in American History from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill and a Juris Doctor degree from the University of Tulsa College of Law. She began clerking for Rosenstein, Fist, and Ringold in her second term in law school, and continued as a legal intern and later as an associate until her first child was born when she practiced as a sole practitioner until she was appointed as special judge for Tulsa County. Governor George Nigh appointed her district judge, when she was assigned to the Family Relations Division and then to the Civil Division. As a trial judge, Wiseman tried close to 1,000 jury trials. In March 2005 Governor Brad Henry appointed her to the Court of Civil Appeals in Tulsa where she currently serves. Wiseman has served as

president of the Oklahoma Judicial Conference and currently serves on its education and legislative committees. She has taught trial court case management as a member of the National Judicial College faculty in Reno, Nevada. She has also served on the Oklahoma Bar Association's Professionalism Committee, Evidence Committee, and the OBA Special Task Force on Tort Reform. Wiseman is active with the Tulsa County Bar Association, serving on its awards and nominations and bench and bar committees, and is a frequent continuing legal education presenter. She is married to Jim Hodges and has two sons, Jamie and John, and three grandchildren.

**Judge Deborah Barnes**, District 2, Office 1. Born in 1954 in Tulsa, Oklahoma, Barnes is a graduate of Charles Page High School in Sand Springs, Oklahoma. She received a bachelor's degree in journalism, majoring in public relations, from the University of Oklahoma in 1976, and in 1983, a Juris Doctor degree, with distinction, from the Oklahoma City University School of Law where she graduated first in her class. During undergraduate school, she was a recipient of the President's Leadership Class Scholarship. While in law school, she served as articles editor of the Law Review, participated on the National Moot Court Team, received various honors including several American Jurisprudence awards, the Faculty Award for Most Likely to Succeed, the Woman's Law Caucus Award for outstanding seminar paper, the Oklahoma City Title Attorney's Association Award for outstanding work in property and related courses, and the C.J.S. Award for the student contributing most to legal scholarship. Barnes began her legal career as an attorney with Crowe and Dunlevy and subsequently a staff attorney for the late Supreme Court Justice Ralph Hodges. In 1989 she resumed private practice at Stack and Barnes in Oklahoma City until 1991, when Barnes moved to Tulsa to join Transok. Barnes was named vice president, human resources and administration for Transok in 1996, and later became vice president, secretary, and associate general counsel for ONEOK, Inc., from 1997-2001. She served as a member on the Oklahoma State Chamber of Commerce Human Resources Committee and a founding member of the Oklahoma State University Business Extension Management Development Cooperative Advisory Board. In 2002 she joined the firm of Crutchmer, Browers, and Barnes as a partner. In 2008 Governor Brad Henry appointed her to the Oklahoma Court of Civil Appeals. She was retained in a statewide vote in 2010 and 2014. She was elected chief judge for 2014. Before practicing law, Barnes served as Christian Education Director for First Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) in Edmond, Oklahoma, and as the Summer School Lunch Program coordinator for underprivileged children with the Oklahoma State Department of Education. Barnes is a member of the American, Oklahoma, and Tulsa bar associations and past chairperson of the Oklahoma Board of Board Examiners. She is an Oklahoma Fellow of the American Bar Foundation; served as chair of the OBA Mineral Law Section; chair of the Tulsa County Court Operations Committee; and was a barrister of the American Inns of Court, Council Oak Chapter of Tulsa. She has served on the OCU Law Executive Board since 2001. Barnes was the recipient of the Mona Salyer Lambird Spotlight Award from the OBA Women in Law Committee; a three-time honoree (Circle of Excellence) of the *Journal Record* Woman of the Year in 1997, 2012, and 2013; and was inducted into the Sand Springs Education Foundation Hall of Fame and received the Outstanding OCU Law Review Alumni of the Year Award and the Alumnus Achievement and Service Award. In 2017, Barnes was the recipient of the Tulsa County Bar Association's James C. Lang Mentoring Award. She previously taught oil and gas law as an adjunct professor at the University of Tulsa's Collins College of Business. She has published several legal articles and presented at various legal and civic programs throughout her career. Her community



activities have included serving as a mentor in the Tulsa Public Schools Mentoring Program, former director of the Jasmine Moran Children’s Museum, boards of the Tulsa Petroleum Club, Tulsa Ballet Theatre, OASIS Adult Daycare, and the Tulsa Area United Way campaign chair for Transok. Barnes has served on the Delta Delta Delta Housing Corporation Board for the Theta Gamma chapter and is a past president of the Beta Theta Pi Parents’ Club at the University of Oklahoma. She is a member of Leadership Oklahoma Class XII, and serves on the board of elders for the Harvard Avenue Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) in Tulsa. She has been admitted to practice law in all Oklahoma state courts, the U.S. District Courts for the Western and Northern Districts of Oklahoma, and the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Tenth Circuit. She held an AV Martindale-Hubbell rating from 1989 until her appointment to the court in 2008. Barnes has been married to Ronald M. Barnes, an attorney, since 1974 and they have one grown son, Grayson, also an attorney, both with Barnes Law in Tulsa, and one granddaughter.



**Judge John F. Fischer**, District 3, Office 2. Born in Stillwater, Oklahoma, Fischer received Bachelor of Arts and Master of Arts degrees in English Literature from the University of Oklahoma. He received his Juris Doctor degree from the University of Oklahoma in 1975, and was admitted to practice law in Oklahoma in 1976. He has been admitted to practice before the United States Supreme Court since 1979. From 1976 to 1980 Fischer served as an assistant attorney general for the State of Oklahoma. He was in private law practice from 1980 to 2006, during which time he was selected by his peers as one of the “Best Lawyers in America” in commercial litigation. While in law school, Fischer received the Liberty National Bank Research Scholarship. He is a Master of the Bench and past president of the William J. Holloway American Inn of Court CV, and author of various articles on antitrust law and

health care issues. He has been involved in various arts and community activities, and served as a member and chair of several state and county bar committees. He is a member of the American and Oklahoma bar associations, the Oklahoma Judicial Conference, a Fellow of the American Bar Foundation and is an Oklahoma Bar Foundation Fellow, and a former Oklahoma representative to the United States Court of Appeals for the Tenth Circuit Advisory Committee. In 2011 he received the Appellate Judge of the Year Award. In 2019 Fischer was elected to membership in the American Law Institute, the leading independent organization in the United States producing scholarly work to clarify, modernize, and otherwise improve the law. He was appointed to the Oklahoma Court of Civil Appeals in May 2006. Fischer and his wife, Pam, have two daughters, and three grandsons.

**Judge Stacie L. Hixon**, District 1, Office 1. Governor Kevin Stitt appointed Stacie L. Hixon to the Oklahoma Court of Civil Appeals in May 2020 to replace retired Judge Jerry Goodman. Hixon earned a Bachelor of Arts and a Master of Arts degree, both in political science from Oklahoma State University. She earned her Juris Doctor degree from the University of Tulsa School of Law. Prior to her appointment, she was a partner at Steidley & Neil law firm, which has offices in Tulsa, McAlester, and Durant. As a private practice attorney, she focused on insurance, product liability, employment law, and general civil litigation. Hixon is a member of the Tulsa County Bar Association and the Oklahoma Bar Association. She was named to the Oklahoma Super Lawyers list for 2015–2018, and was named on the Top 25 Women Oklahoma Super Lawyers list for 2017–2018.





**Judge Keith Rapp**, District 2, Office 2. Born in Wheelersburg, Ohio, Rapp received a bachelor's degree from Southwest Missouri University, a Juris Doctor degree from the University of Tulsa, and a Master of Laws degree from the University of Virginia. He was named Outstanding First-Year Law Student, awarded a Scholarship Key, named three times to the Dean's List, and was a member of the Tulsa Law Review. Rapp is a former aerospace engineer specializing in guidance and navigation systems. He worked on the Mercury, Apollo, Lunar Lander, and Skylab projects. He has publications in these areas including original research in mathematics. He served as an instructor of Sino Soviet Relations and Atomic and Biological Warfare in the Naval Reserves Officers' School, and as a business law instructor at Tulsa Junior College. Rapp retired as a commander in the United States Naval Reserve. He also

served as Tulsa Junior College regent. He served as counsel and director of banks and as director of two national insurance companies. Rapp worked as public defender in Tulsa; a city prosecutor in Broken Arrow; a municipal judge in Bixby; an alternative municipal judge for the City of Tulsa; and as district court judge. He was appointed as judge to the Oklahoma Court of Civil Appeals in 1984. Rapp is a member of the Oklahoma and Tulsa County bar associations, as well as the bars of the U.S. Court of Appeals and U.S. Supreme Court. He is a member of Tulsa Arts Council Advisory Board. He married the former Mary Lynn Clanton. He has three children—Elizabeth, Kathy, and Joseph—and his dog Belle.

**Judge Tom Thornbrugh**, District 3, Office 1. Governor Mary Fallin appointed Thornbrugh to the Oklahoma Court of Civil Appeals on September 2, 2011. He earned a bachelor's degree in speech and political science from Emporia State University in Emporia, Kansas. He later received a law degree from the University of Tulsa, where he was a member of the Dean's Honor Roll and *Res Nova* law review. Thornbrugh spent more than twenty years in private law practice in Tulsa. He also served as prosecuting attorney for the city of Bixby and as a municipal court judge for the city of Tulsa. In addition, he served as a legislative advisor for United States Senator Dewey Bartlett. Thornbrugh served as district court judge for the Fourteenth Judicial District from 1997 to 2011, and served as that court's presiding judge at the time of his appointment to the Court of Civil Appeals. Thornbrugh is a member of the Oklahoma Judicial Conference, where he serves on the legislative committee, and is a former president of the Assembly of Presiding Judges. He is also an adjunct professor at the University of Tulsa.



# 10th Circuit Court of Appeals

Colorado, Kansas, New Mexico, Oklahoma, Utah, Wyoming

This court sits primarily at Denver, Colorado; however, it is customary to hold at least one session annually in other cities in the circuit. Sessions may last as long as one week and are usually held every other month. ■ [www.ca10.uscourts.gov](http://www.ca10.uscourts.gov)

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# Judges of the Workers' Compensation Court of Existing Claims

Constitution, Article 7 § 1; 85a O.S. § 400 (State Industrial Court)

Margaret A. Bomhoff Oklahoma City

**History and Function**—In 1951 the Oklahoma Legislature created the State Industrial Court and added to the Judicial Department by Constitutional amendment in 1967. The court was changed in composition and renamed by statute in 1978. The court is a court of record that adjudicates workers' compensation cases. Court awards and decisions are final and conclusive unless appealed to the Oklahoma Supreme Court or the Court En Banc. Due to legislative changes, on February 1, 2014, the Workers' Compensation Court became the Oklahoma Workers' Compensation Court of Existing Claims. The Oklahoma's Compensation Court of Existing Claims sits in Oklahoma City and Tulsa. It consists of one judge appointed by the governor and approved by the Oklahoma Senate.

**Administration**—Dustin Davison, Administrator; Timmye Porter, Administrative/Judicial Assistant; Katrina Stephenson, Court Clerk.

**Personnel**—7 employees.

**Offices**—

Oklahoma City—1915 N Stiles, Suite 127, Oklahoma City, OK 73105 ■ 405/522-8793

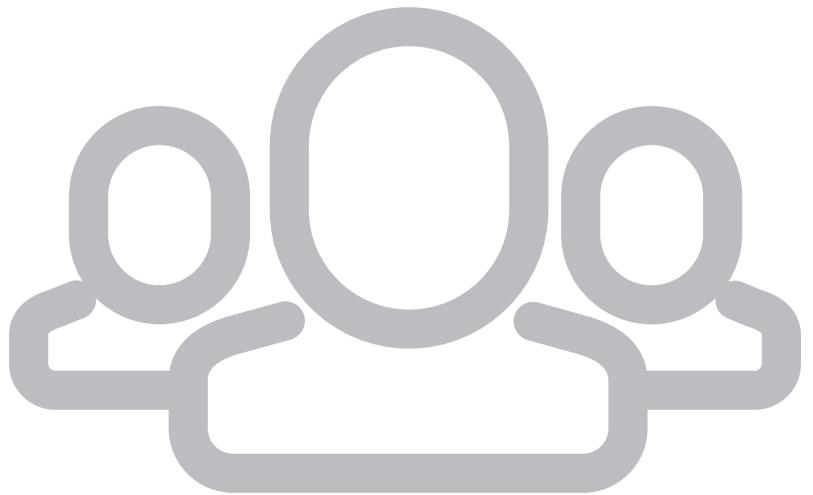
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# District Attorneys

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11	Kevin Buchanan (R)	420 S Johnstone, Rm. 222	Bartlesville	74003	918/337-2860	918/337-2896
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15	Orvil Loge (D)	220 State Street	Muskogee	74401	918/682-3374	918/687-3347
16	Jeff Smith (D)	100 S Broadway, Ste. 300	Poteau	74953	918/647-2245	918/647-3209
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20	Craig Ladd (D)	20 "B" Street SW, Ste. 202	Ardmore	73401	580/223-9674	580/221-5504
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23	Allan Grubb (R)	331 N Broadway	Shawnee	74801	405/275-6800	405/275-3575
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27	Jack Thorpe (R)	213 W Delaware	Tahlequah	74464	918/456-6173	918/456-1885

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Boards, &  
Commissions*





# Profiles of Agencies, Boards, and Commissions

For information about boards or board members, contact the administrator. In the case of subordinate entities, unless a separate address and phone number are given, contact the main agency for information. For governor's task forces, for example, contact the governor's office; for legislative committees, contact the Legislative Service Bureau (405/521-4144). If the entity is not listed, consult the index, as it may be listed alphabetically beneath a parent entity. Personnel figures are provided by the agency. Interagency Mail availability is indicated by (IA).

## **2-1-1 Oklahoma Coordinating Council** (56 O.S. § 3021)

Formerly named the 2-1-1 Advisory Collaborative, Oklahoma

[www.211oklahoma.org](http://www.211oklahoma.org)

## **9-1-1 Management Authority, Oklahoma** (63 O.S. § 2863)

### **Abstractors Board, Oklahoma** (1 O.S. § 22) Re-created until July 1, 2023

Agency Code 022 (IA)

421 NW 13 Street, Suite 180, Oklahoma City 73103

[www.abstract.ok.gov](http://www.abstract.ok.gov)

405/522-5019, FAX 405/522-5503

**Mission Statement** The Oklahoma Abstractors Board regulates the abstracting industry and issues abstractor licenses, certificates of authority, and permits to construct abstract plants.

**Administration** Katherine Smith, State Administrator of Abstracting

**Personnel** 2 unclassified

**History and Function** The board consists of nine members, six of whom are in the abstracting industry, one real estate representative, one banking representative, and one attorney. All members are appointed by the governor and serve staggered four year terms. The board is responsible for promulgating rules, setting forth guidelines for agency operations, and governing the professional practices of the licensees. The entity is self-supporting through fees.

### **Accountancy Board, Oklahoma** (59 O.S. § 15.2; 74 O.S. § 3905)

Agency Code 020 (IA)

201 NW 63 Street, Suite 210, Oklahoma City 73116

[www.ok.gov/oab](http://www.ok.gov/oab)

405/521-2397, FAX 405/521-3118

**Mission Statement** To safeguard the public welfare by prescribing and assessing the qualifications of and regulating the professional conduct of individuals and firms authorized to engage in the practice of public accounting in Oklahoma.

**Administration** Randall A. Ross, Executive Director

**Personnel** 11 unclassified, non-merit

**History and Function** The first accountancy law was enacted by the Oklahoma Legislature in 1917 and the board was recreated by the legislature in 2004 in accordance with the Oklahoma Sunset Law to administer the provisions of the Oklahoma Accountancy Act for the protection of the public. The board is composed of five certified public accountants and one public accountant (or meets the criteria to become a public accountant), who serve for five-year terms and one lay member who serves coterminous with the governor. All members are appointed by the governor and confirmed by the Senate, and are responsible for promulgating rules of general application, setting forth guidelines for agency operations and governing the professional practices of the registrants. The agency is self-supporting through fees. Re-created until July 2023.

### **Aeronautics Commission, Oklahoma** (3 O.S. § 84)

Agency Code 060 (IA)

110 N Robinson, Suite 200, Oklahoma City 73102

[www.oac.ok.gov](http://www.oac.ok.gov)

405/604-6900, FAX 405/604-6919

E-mail—[oac@oac.ok.gov](mailto:oac@oac.ok.gov)

**Administration** Victor N. Bird, Director, 405/604-6900

Grayson Ardies, Deputy Director, 405/604-6903

Chris Wadsworth, Chief Operations Officer, 405/604-6901

Sandra Shelton, Public and Government Affairs Liaison, 405/604-6915  
 Nick Young, Aviation Program Manager, 405/604-6916

**History and Function** The commission was created in 1963 by the Oklahoma Legislature to advance, foster, and assist in the development of aeronautics in Oklahoma, including current and future aircraft, and to encourage the establishment and maintenance of public airports. This includes the preservation and improvement of the state's 108 public airports, which make up the state airport system. Oklahoma's 104 general aviation airports and four commercial airports account for \$10.6 billion in economic activity. The commission fosters the growth of the aerospace and defense industry, a top employer in Oklahoma, which is responsible for \$27 billion in sales. Oklahoma's aviation and aerospace industry is the state's second largest economic engine, providing more than 206,000 jobs and generating an economic impact of \$43.7 billion annually. Oklahoma has more than the 5,716 general aviation aircraft that are actively flying in the state and nearly 9,600 pilots. In Oklahoma, 95 percent of our state's population is within 30-minutes-drive time of a jet-capable airport. Out of the 108 publicly owned airports, 104 are general aviation airports, including forty-nine that are regional business airports. Forty-five of those forty-nine have jet-capable runways of at least 5,000 feet in length. The commission ensures the needs of businesses and communities in the state are met by the state's airports.

**Mission** To promote aviation, which includes ensuring that the needs of commerce and communities across Oklahoma are met by the state's 108 public airports that comprise the state's air transportation system, and ensuring the viability of the state's aerospace industry.

**About the Commission** Comprised of seven members, each commissioner is appointed by the governor, serving six-year terms. Five members are from among Oklahoma's five congressional districts with the remaining two appointed at-large. The commission is responsible for appointing the state director of aeronautics to serve at its pleasure. The current director is Victor Bird, having served in that position since December 2002.

## **Agriculture, Food, and Forestry; Department of**

(2 O.S. § 1-2 est. Dept.; 2 O.S. § 1-3 name change) **Board** (Constitution, Article 6 § 31)

Agency Code 040 (IA)

2800 N Lincoln Blvd., Oklahoma City 73105

[www.ag.ok.gov](http://www.ag.ok.gov)

405/521-3864, FAX 405/521-4912

**Mission Statement** Allow agriculture to thrive now and into the future by creating an environment favorable to Oklahoma producers, while ensuring mandatory regulatory compliance and encouraging the use of voluntary best management practices.

**History and Function** The Oklahoma Department of Agriculture, Food and Forestry began at statehood. The agency provides services through regulatory and marketing initiatives. It is headquartered in Oklahoma City, and has ten divisions: administration, environmental management services, animal industry, consumer protection services, food safety, forestry, laboratory services, market development, office of general counsel, and wildlife. The agency works hard to advocate for the state's agricultural industry and provide the necessary regulatory functions to benefit consumers, the agricultural industry, and our natural resources.

**Administration** Blayne Arthur, Secretary of Agriculture

Kandi Batts, Executive Assistant, 405/522-5488

Legislative Liaison, JanLee Rowlett, 405/522-6105

Public Information Officer, Morgan Vance, 405/522-5479

Administrative Services, Dan Ridings, Director, 405/521-6479

Agriculture Environmental Management Services, Teena Gunter, Director, 405/522-5492

Animal Industry Services, Dr. Rod Hall, DVM, State Veterinarian, 405/522-0270

Consumer Protection Services, Kenny Naylor, Director, 405/522-5879

Food Safety Services, Scott Yates, Director, 405/522-6113

Forestry Services, Mark Goeller, Director, 405/522-2295

Laboratory Services, Tanna Hartington, Director, 405/522-5432

Office of General Counsel, Teena Gunter, General Counsel, 405/522-4576

Market Development Services, Meriruth Cohenour, Director, 405/522-5652

Statistics Services, Troy Marshall, 405/524-0021

Wildlife Services, Scott Alls, 405/522-5470

**Personnel** 288 classified, 64 unclassified, 13 temporary

## **Agriculture Mediation Program** (2 O.S. § 2-30)

[www.ok.gov/mediation](http://www.ok.gov/mediation)

2800 N Lincoln Blvd., Oklahoma City, 73105

405/521-3934, 800/248-5465

**Administration** Mike Mayberry, Executive Director

## Alcohol and Drug Counselors, Oklahoma Board of Licensed

(59 O.S. § 1873) Re-created until July 1, 2023

Agency Code 448 (IA)  
405/521-0779

[www.okdrugcounselors.org](http://www.okdrugcounselors.org)

## Alcohol and Drug Influence, Board of Tests for (47 O.S. § 759)

Agency Code 772 (IA)  
Building 9, 3600 Martin Luther King Avenue  
405/425-2460, FAX 405/425-2490

[www.ok.gov/bot](http://www.ok.gov/bot)  
PO Box 36307, Oklahoma City 73136-2307

**Administration** Kenneth E. Blick, Ph.D., Chairman of the Board;  
Joshua Smith, State Director of Tests for Alcohol and Drug Influence

**History and Function** Created by the Oklahoma Legislature, the board began functioning January 1, 1969. Recreated by the legislature in 1982 with a name change and expanded responsibilities, it is the state agency charged with the authority and responsibility for approving laboratories for analysis of alcohol and other intoxicating substances in blood, breath, and saliva, under the Oklahoma Chemical Tests Act for traffic law enforcement purposes; issuing permits to persons qualified to conduct such tests; approving methods, techniques, devices, equipment, and records for such tests and for collection and handling of specimens. In 2005 the Oklahoma Legislature transferred responsibility for oversight of the ignition interlock devices to the Board by amendment 47 O.S. § 754.1(D). Copies of the rules set by this board (Administrative Code 40) may be obtained from the Secretary of State's office. Re-created until July 1, 2022.

## Alcoholic Beverage Laws Enforcement Commission (ABLE Commission) (Constitution, Article 28 §1; 37 O.S. § 506.1)

Agency Code 030 (IA)  
3812 N Santa Fe Avenue, Suite 200, Oklahoma City 73118  
405/521-3484, Toll Free 866/894-3517, FAX 405/521-6578

[www.able.ok.gov](http://www.able.ok.gov)

**Mission Statement** To protect the public's welfare and interest in the enforcement of the laws pertaining to alcoholic beverages, charity games, and youth access to tobacco in Oklahoma.

**Administration** A. Keith Burt, Director; Steven Barker, Deputy Director and General Counsel;  
Brent Fairchild, Assistant Director.

**Personnel** 30 classified, 6 unclassified

**History and Function** Created by Title 37A of the Oklahoma Statutes, the commission consists of seven members appointed by the governor and subject to the advice and consent of the Oklahoma Senate, who in turn appoint the director. The origins of the commission date to 1959 after the repeal of prohibition in Oklahoma, and the agency marked its sixtieth anniversary in July 2019. The purpose of the commission is viewed as an exercise of the police power of the State of Oklahoma for the protection, welfare, health, peace, temperance, and safety of the people of the state through the enforcement of the laws pertaining to alcoholic beverages, charity games, and youth access to tobacco. The agency enforces the Oklahoma Beverage Control Act, Charity Games Act, and Youth Access to Tobacco Act. Over 136,000 businesses and individuals involved in alcoholic beverage and charity games industries hold active licenses with the commission.

## Anatomical Board of the State of Oklahoma (63 O.S. § 91; 74 O.S. § 3907)

Agency Code 044 (IA)  
PO Box 26901, AAT 4000, Oklahoma City 73126  
405/271-2265, EXT 48555, FAX 405/271-3032

E-mail—[jon-brightbill@ouhsc.edu](mailto:jon-brightbill@ouhsc.edu)

**Mission Statement** To ensure, for the State of Oklahoma, the respectful and consensual disposition and use of human bodies and parts donated for education, research, and the advancement of medical, dental, forensics or mortuary science. The Anatomical Board oversees all entities that provide or use donated bodies and body parts for education and research.

**Administration** Daniel O'Donoghue, Ph.D., Chairman; Jon Brightbill, Executive Director.

**History and Function** Created by the 1935 Oklahoma Legislature, the board is composed of deans, or their designees, of each accredited medical school and osteopathic medical school within the state; heads of the Department of Anatomy, or their designees, two persons appointed jointly by the presidents of institutions of higher education with programs other than medical which require, on a regular basis, human and anatomical material, provided they have been approved by the State Regents for Higher Education, and one at-large member appointed by the governor to represent the interests of the citizens of this state. Board functions are to provide for the collection, preservation, storage, distribution, delivery, recovery

from users, cremation, and final disposition of all dead human bodies used for health science education and research in the state. Re-created until July 1, 2023.

### **Approving Agency, State** (Title 38, United States Code)

2132 NE 36 Street, Oklahoma City 73111 (IA)  
405/522-8076, FAX 405/523-4008

<https://odva.ok.gov>

**Administration** Brint Montgomery PhD, Administrator

**History and Function** The agency was established in 1963 and is responsible for the approval and the monitoring of education and training programs for veterans, their dependents, active duty military, and reservists in Oklahoma.

### **Archeological Survey, Oklahoma** (74 O.S. § 241)

The University of Oklahoma, 111 E Chesapeake, Building 134, Norman 73019-5111  
405/325-7211, FAX 405/325-7604  
E-mail—[kstackelbeck@ou.edu](mailto:kstackelbeck@ou.edu)

[www.ou.edu/archsurvey](http://www.ou.edu/archsurvey)

**Administration** Kary Stackelbeck, State Archeologist; Amanda L. Regnier, Director, [aregnier@ou.edu](mailto:aregnier@ou.edu)

**Mission Statement** To research Oklahoma's archeological record; to work with state and federal agencies, and the citizens of Oklahoma to preserve significant archeological sites; and to disseminate information about Oklahoma's cultural heritage through publications and public presentations.

**History and Function** Established in 1970, the survey studies prehistoric and early historic sites; conserves, maintains, and exhibits archeological materials; assists in the enforcement of laws protecting archeological sites; maintains archeology programs; does anthropological and archeological research under the direction of the Board of Regents of the University of Oklahoma.

**Archeological Survey Advisory Board**

### **Architects, Landscape Architects, and Registered Interior Designers of Oklahoma, Board of Governors of the Licensed** (59 O.S. § 46.4; 74 O.S. § 3905)

Agency Code 045 (IA)

[www.ok.gov/architects](http://www.ok.gov/architects)

Oklahoma Engineering and Design Professionals Building, 220 NE 28 Street, Suite 150, Oklahoma City, OK 73105  
405/949-2383

**Mission Statement** To protect the citizens of the State of Oklahoma by establishing standards for professional qualifications, ensuring competence through education, experience and examinations, setting practice standards, and enforcing the Architectural and Registered Interior Designers Act.

**Administration** Leslie Hanska, Executive Director

**Personnel** 4 unclassified, non-merit

**History and Function** Established by the Oklahoma Legislature in 1925, the board is responsible for the examination and licensing of architects and landscape architects after determining their eligibility. The board also examines and determines the eligibility for registered interior designers and registers them and their entities. It also regulates the practice of architecture and landscape architecture with power to suspend, revoke, deny, refuse to renew, or reinstate licenses and/or registrations. The board is self-sustaining through collection of fees. Re-created until July 1, 2023.

### **Arts Council, Oklahoma** (53 O.S. § 163)

Agency Code 055 (IA)

[www.arts.ok.gov](http://www.arts.ok.gov)

PO Box 52001-2001, Oklahoma City 73152-2001  
405/521-2931, FAX 405/521-6418, TDD 405/521-2931

Jim Thorpe Building, Suite 640  
E-mail—[okarts@arts.ok.gov](mailto:okarts@arts.ok.gov)

**Mission Statement** To lead in the advancement of Oklahoma's thriving arts industry.

**Administration** Amber Sharples, Executive Director; Chandra Boyd, Deputy Director; Joel Gavin, Director of Marketing and Communications

**Personnel** 12 unclassified, non-merit

**History and Function** Created by the Oklahoma Legislature in 1965 to encourage and stimulate all forms of artistic endeavors, the Oklahoma Arts Council receives appropriations from the state legislature and the National Endowment for the Arts to provide matching grants to Oklahoma non-profit organizations, public libraries and schools statewide.

## Athletic Commission, Oklahoma State

(HB 3070, 2008; 3A O.S. § 604.1; 74 O.S. § 3906) Recreated until July 1, 2021

405/271-9444

www.ok.gov/osac

### Attorney General (Constitution, Article 6 § 1)

Agency Code 049 (IA)

313 NE 21 Street, Oklahoma City, OK 73105

Tulsa Office: 15 W 6 Street, Suite 1000, Tulsa, 74119

www.ok.gov/oag

405/521-3921, FAX 405/521-6246

918/581-2885, FAX 918/581-2917

**Administration** Mike Hunter, Attorney General; Dawn Cash, First Assistant Attorney General; Mary Ann Roberts, Chief Deputy Assistant Attorney General; Alex Gerszewski, Director of Communications; Mithun Mansinghani, Solicitor General

### Banking Department, Oklahoma State (Constitution, Article 14 §1; 6 O.S. § 201)

Agency Code 065 (IA)

2900 N Lincoln, Oklahoma City 73105

Tulsa Office: Triad Center 1, 7666 E 61 Street, Suite 305, Tulsa 74133

www.banking.ok.gov

405/521-2782, FAX 405/522-2993

918/295-3649, FAX 918/893-6405

**Mission Statement** To preserve and promote sound, constructive competition among financial services and to help ensure the security of deposits through the promulgation of rules and regulations governing the banking industry in Oklahoma and by promoting diversity in financial products and services.

**Administration** Mick Thompson, Bank Commissioner; O. Dudley Gilbert, Deputy Commissioner; Wayne Arbutnot, Assistant Deputy Commissioner; Jeff Bagby, Assistant Deputy Commissioner; Paul Qualls, Director of Examinations; Jon Morphis, Regional Examiner; Rick Nelson, Regional Examiner; Steven Hawkins, Budget Director; Matt Mowdy, Legal Counsel; Regina Rainey, Chief of Staff; Angela Morris, Administrative Assistant

**Personnel** 41 unclassified, 1 temporary, non-merit

**History and Function** Through its boards, the department supervises all state chartered banks, trust companies, savings and loan associations, credit unions, and licensed sellers of checks and money transmitters; makes periodic examinations of the institutions under its supervision; conducts public hearings on charter applications and processes all documents submitted by state chartered financial institutions seeking corporate powers and changes in their articles of incorporation.

### Banking Board, State (6 O.S. § 202)

State Banking Department (IA)

2900 N Lincoln Boulevard, Oklahoma City 73105

Tulsa Office: 7666 E 61 Street, Suite 305, Tulsa 74113

405/521-2782, FAX 405/522-2993

**Administration** Mick Thompson, Commissioner; O. Dudley Gilbert, Deputy Commissioner; Regina Rainey, Chief of Staff; Matt Mowdy, Legal Counsel; Angela Morris, Administrative Assistant

**Mission Statement** To preserve and promote sound, constructive competition among financial services, and to help ensure the security of deposits through the promulgation of regulations governing the banking industry in Oklahoma and by promoting diversity in financial products.

**History and Function** Established by the Oklahoma Legislature in 1965, the Banking Board is authorized to adopt and promulgate reasonable and uniform rules and regulations to govern the conduct, operation, and management of all banks or trust companies created, organized or existing under or by virtue of the laws of this state, and otherwise to govern the administration of the Oklahoma Banking Code.

### Bar Association, Oklahoma

(Integrated bar under the jurisdiction of the Supreme Court. 5 O.S. § 1, Appendix 1-3A.)

1901 N Lincoln Boulevard, Oklahoma City 73105

PO Box 53036, Oklahoma City 73152-3036

www.okbar.org

405/416-7000, 800/522-8065, FAX 405/416-7001

**Administration** John Morris Williams, Executive Director; Craig D. Combs, Director of Administration; Gina Hendryx, General Counsel; Carol A. Manning, Director of Public Information; Janet K. Johnson, Director of Educational Programs; Jim Calloway, Management Assistance Program Director; Robbin Watson, Information Technology Director; Beverly Petry, Administrator of MCLE Commission; Richard Stevens, Ethics Counsel

**Mission Statement** To advance the administration of justice according to law and the rules of the Oklahoma Supreme Court.

**History and Function** The Oklahoma Bar Association was created in 1939 by the Oklahoma Supreme Court to assist the court in the regulation of the practice of law. (In Re Integration of State Bar of Oklahoma, 185 OK 505, 95 P.2d 113).

<b>Oklahoma Bar Foundation</b> Founded 1949, Private non-profit institution	405/416-7070
<b>Bar Examiners, Board of</b> Title 5, Chapter 1, Appendix 1, Artical XIII	405/416-7075
<b>Continuing Legal Education</b> Title 5, Chapter 1, Appendix 1-B, Rule 3	405/416-7029
<b>Mandatory Continuing Legal Education Commission</b> Title 5, Chapter 1, Appendix 1-B	405/416-7009
<b>Professional Responsibility Commission</b> (Title 5, Chapter 1, Appendix 1-A, Rule 2.1)	405/416-7007
<b>Professional Responsibility Tribunal</b> Title 5, Chapter 1, Appendix 1-A, Rule 4.1	405/416-7007

## Behavioral Health Licensure, State Board of (59 O.S. § 5011) Recreated until July 1, 2023.

www.ok.gov/behavioralhealth

405/522-3696

## Biological Survey, Oklahoma (70 O.S. § 3314)

(Placed under the direction and supervision of the Board of Regents of the University of Oklahoma.)

University of Oklahoma, 111 East Chesapeake Street, Norman 73019-0575  
405/325-4034, FAX 405/325-7702

biosurvey.ou.edu  
E-mail—lara.souza@ou.edu

**Administration** Lara Souza, Director; Bruce Hoagland, Coordinator, Oklahoma Natural Heritage Inventory; Abigail Moore, Curator, The Robert Bebb Herbarium; Kurt Kuklinski, Director of Oklahoma Fishery Research Laboratory

**History and Function** The Oklahoma Biological Survey, established in 1927, is both a research unit of the University of Oklahoma and a state office. The mission of the survey is to scientifically investigate the diversity of plants and animals in Oklahoma and associated regions and to contribute to conservation and education concerning these important resources. The survey includes: (1) the General Biological Survey program; (2) the Oklahoma Natural Heritage Inventory; (3) the Bebb Herbarium, jointly operated with the Department of Botany and Microbiology; (4) the Oklahoma Fishery Research Laboratory, jointly operated with the Oklahoma Department of Wildlife Conservation; and (5) the Oklahoma Natural Areas Registry. Personnel in the survey include faculty, staff, graduate students, and undergraduates who engage in a wide range of research, teaching, and service activities.

## Boll Weevil Eradication Organization, Oklahoma (2 O.S. § 3-50.5)

Agency Code 039  
Department of Agriculture, Food, and Forestry  
704 S Veterans Drive, Altus 73521

www.obweo.org  
580/477-4287, FAX 580/477-4238

**Administration** Brenda Osborne, Executive Director

**Mission Statement** To eradicate the boll weevil from Oklahoma.

**Personnel** 4 unclassified, non-merit

## Bond Commissioner (62 O.S. § 11)

The Attorney General is ex officio Bond Commissioner of the State.  
Office of the Attorney General, 313 NE 21 Street, Oklahoma City 73105  
405/521-3921, FAX 405/521-6246

**Administration** Mike Hunter, Attorney General, ex officio Bond Commissioner

## Bond Oversight, Council of (62 O.S. § 695.11A)

The five-member Council of Bond Oversight is responsible for the review and approval of all financing requests by state agencies, authorities, departments, and trusts. The council meets monthly to review financing requests and may set specific conditions that must be satisfied prior to issuance. The council consists of the Office of Management and Enterprise Services director, two members appointed by the governor, one member appointed by the Speaker of Oklahoma House of Representatives, and one member appointed by the President Pro Tempore of the Oklahoma Senate.

## Boxing Commission, Oklahoma Professional (3A O.S. § 604.1)

State Department of Health  
405/271-2694, FAX 405/271-1695

www.ok.gov/osac  
E-mail—boxing@health.ok.gov

## Building Bonds Commission, Oklahoma (62 O.S. § 57.302)

Secretary of State (IA)  
405/521-6434

State Capitol Room 122, 2300 N Lincoln Blvd. Oklahoma City 73105-4897

**Administration** Melody Wright, staff

**History and Function** Established in 1949 by the Oklahoma Legislature, this is the agency by which the state incurs indebtedness for the purpose of constructing, equipping, remodeling, and repairing any and all buildings of the state, including those of its educational, recreational, penal, and charitable establishments, pursuant to Section 31, Article 10 of the Constitution of Oklahoma and subsequent legislative acts.

## Business License Information Office (74 O.S. § 5058.4)

Department of Commerce (IA)

900 N Stiles, Oklahoma City 73104-3234

Business Development Division, 900 N Stiles Avenue, Oklahoma City 73104-3234

**Administration** Rana Steeds, 405/815-5143

**History and Function** Provides information to existing businesses and individuals starting a business about compliance with state licensing and registration requirements. Information is also available at [www.okcommerce.gov](http://www.okcommerce.gov).

## Capitol Improvement Authority, Oklahoma (73 O.S. § 152)

Oklahoma State Treasurer, Debt Management Division

2300 N Lincoln Boulevard, State Capitol, Room 217, Oklahoma City, 73105

405/521-4504

**Mission Statement** To provide a financing mechanism for buildings for state government offices.

**Administration** Andrew Messer, Deputy Treasurer for Debt Management

**History and Function** Created by legislative act in 1959 to issue revenue bonds to provide buildings and facilities for state government offices, the authority cannot issue bonds without legislative authorization. The authority consists of the governor who serves as chairman, the state treasurer, the lieutenant governor who serves as vice chairman, the state treasurer, the director of the Office of Management and Enterprise Services, the director of the Department of Human Services, the vice chairman of the Tax Commission, the director of the Oklahoma Department of Tourism and Recreation, and the director of the Department of Transportation.

## Capitol-Medical Center Improvement and Zoning Commission

(73 O.S. § 83.1, 73 O.S. § 3908)

Will Rogers Office Building, 2401 Lincoln, Suite 206 (IA)

PO Box 53448, Oklahoma City 73152-3218

405/522-0440, FAX 405/522-3861

[www.omes.ok.gov/services/capitol-medical-zoning](http://www.omes.ok.gov/services/capitol-medical-zoning)

**Administration** Ben Davis, Administrative Officer

**Mission Statement** To efficiently promote the general welfare of Oklahoma and private property owners by providing effective direction for the orderly development of the Capitol-Medical Center Improvement and Zoning District.

**History and Function** The commission was established under a 1970 legislative act and has as its principal purpose the orderly development of certain designated areas of land surrounding the state capitol and the Oklahoma Health Center. It has authority to grant or deny zoning permits for any changes or new construction within the district in accordance with a comprehensive master plan. Re-created until July 1, 2022.

**Citizen's Advisory Committee** (73 O.S. § 83.12)

**Historical Preservation and Landmark Board of Review** (120 O.S. § 10-11-2) (Created by Commission)

**Oklahoma Administrative Code** 120: Chapter 10

## Capitol Preservation Commission, State (74 O.S. § 4102)

Will Rogers Office Building, 2401 Lincoln, Suite 206 (IA)

PO Box 53218, Oklahoma City 73152-3218

405/521-2124, FAX 405/521-6403

**History and Function** The commission was created in 1982 to plan and supervise the preservation and restoration of the interior and exterior of the Oklahoma State Capitol Building. Similar responsibilities were added in 1983 with respect to the governor's mansion. The commission also controls the display of art objects in public areas of the state capitol and the first floor of the governor's mansion. The commission consists of fifteen members.

## Capitol Repair Expenditure Oversight Committee, State (73 O.S. § 345)

www.capitolrestore.ok.gov

### Career and Technology Education, Oklahoma Department of

(70 O.S. § 14–104) **Board** (70 O.S. § 14–101)

Agency Code 800 (IA)  
1500 W Seventh Avenue, Stillwater 74074

www.okcareertech.org  
405/377-2000, FAX 405/743-6809

**History and Function** The Oklahoma Department of Career and Technology Education provides leadership and resources to ensure standards of excellence throughout the statewide system. The system offers its programs and services throughout nearly 400 public school districts, twenty-nine technology centers with fifty-eight campus sites, thirteen skills centers located in correctional facilities, and thirty adult basic education sites. Each technology center works closely with advisers from local industry to ensure that students learn the skills needed to be valued members of the workforce. The department partners with many other state and private agencies and organizations to develop services to advance Oklahoma's workforce and economic development.

Annually enrollments in CareerTech offerings are about 500,000. CareerTech provides nationally recognized competency-based curriculum, education, and training for a myriad of specialized and customized courses and training opportunities. This curriculum is developed with the input of industry professionals, using skills standards to identify the knowledge and abilities needed to master an occupation. Competency-based education enables CareerTech to provide students with the skills employers are seeking in the workplace.

**Vision** The department is working to secure Oklahoma's future by developing a world-class workforce.

**Mission Statement** To prepare Oklahomans to succeed in the workplace, in education, and in life.

**Values** The department's values and beliefs are serving our customers and stakeholders; data-driven decisions; quality educational experiences; innovation and flexibility; accountability and high performance; diversity and inclusion; ethical behavior; and commitment to excellence.

**Administration** Dr. Marcie Mack, State Director

**Personnel** 217 unclassified

**Advisory Committee to the Municipal Clerks and Treasurers Division** (11 O.S. § 52–103)

### Cash Management and Investment Oversight Commission (62 O.S. § 71.1)

Office of Management and Enterprise Services  
5505 N Lincoln Blvd., Oklahoma City 73105

405/522-5577

### Cerebral Palsy Commission (63 O.S. § 485.3, 485.9)

Agency Code 670  
J.D. McCarty Center for Children with Developmental Disabilities  
2002 E Robinson, Norman 73071

www.jdmc.org  
405/307-2800, 800/777-1272

**Mission Statement** To provide a comprehensive program of rehabilitative care to Oklahoma's children (0 to 21) with developmental disabilities; to utilize measurable quality standards and to ensure excellence in health care through a comprehensive, multi-disciplinary approach to service delivery which will enable children with developmental disabilities to maximize their potential and enhance their quality of life; to provide an intensive and comprehensive habilitative environment through direct services, referrals, and consultations that will lead to increased productivity and a quality standard of living throughout adulthood; to increase the physical and emotional well-being of patients and their families through an empowering process of education, training, transitional planning, and community support; to advocate for the needs of children with developmental disabilities by increasing awareness and supplementing habilitative services in all communities as well as pro-actively seeking solutions to expressed concerns; and to facilitate ongoing educational training for staff to ensure continuous quality improvements.

**Administration** Vicki Kuestersteffen, Director; Erik Paulson, Business Manager; Becky Melsek, Director of Nursing; Tina Martinez, Human Resources Director; Sharla Bardin, Director of Marketing

**Personnel** 235

**History and Function** The McCarty Center was founded in 1946 by the 40 et 8 of Oklahoma, an honor society within the American Legion. A member of the 40 et 8 had a grandson who had cerebral palsy. The grandfather could not find any entity in the state that could help his grandson to learn to walk or talk. The 40 et 8 took it upon themselves to create a place where children with cerebral palsy could get the physical, occupational, and speech and language therapy they needed to

reach their highest level of independence and function. Today, the McCarty Center has treated more than one hundred different diagnoses in the developmental disability category. In 1948 the McCarty Center became a state agency.

### Chief Medical Examiner (63 O.S. § 934)

921 NE 23 Street, Oklahoma City 73105 (IA)  
405/239-7141, FAX 405/239-2430

www.ok.gov/ocme  
E-mail—medicalexaminer@ocme.ok.gov

**Mission Statement** To protect the public health and safety of Oklahomans through the scientific investigation of deaths as defined by state statutes. This process involves scene investigation and medicolegal autopsy (including radiology, toxicology, histology, and microbiology) complementing the activities of law enforcement agencies, district attorneys, and public health officials.

### Children and Youth, Commission on (10 O.S. § 601.1)

Agency Code 127 (IA)  
2915 N Classen Blvd., Suite 300, Oklahoma City 73106

www.ok.gov/occy  
405/606-4900, FAX 405/524-0417

**Mission Statement** The mission of the Oklahoma Commission on Children and Youth is to improve services to children by facilitating joint planning and coordination among public and private agencies; independent monitoring of the children and youth service system for compliance with established responsibilities; and entering into agreements to test models and demonstration programs for effective services; and training multidisciplinary teams.

**Administration** Annette Wisk Jacobi, J.D., Director; Mark James, Assistant Director

**Personnel** 9.5 classified, 8 unclassified, merit

**History and Function** The Commission on Children and Youth was created by the Oklahoma Legislature on May 28, 1982, to develop and improve services to children and youth in Oklahoma.

**Child Abuse Examination, Board of** (10 O.S. § 601.30; 10 O.S. § 1150.2)  
2915 N Classen Blvd., Suite 300 Oklahoma City 73106; 405/608-4900  
**Administration** Vacant, Chief Child Abuse Examiner

**Child Death Review Board** (10 O.S. § 1150.2) Re-created until July 1, 2023  
405/606-4933, FAX 405/524-0417  
**Administration** Lisa Rhoades, Administrator

**Juvenile System Oversight, Office of** (10 O.S. § 601.6)  
405/606-4900; FAX 405/528-0455  
**Administration** Mark James, Assistant Director

**Multidisciplinary Teams Coordination**  
405/606-4900; FAX 405/524-0417  
**Administration** Jimmy Widdifield Jr., Administrator

**Planning and Coordination**  
405/606-4918; FAX 405/524-0417  
**Administration** Mark James, Assistant Director

**Post Adjudication Review Advisory Board** (10 O.S. § 1116.6)  
405/606-4922; FAX 405/524-0417  
**Administration** Keith Pirtle, Administrator

### Chiropractic Examiners, Board of (59 O.S. § 161.1; 59 O.S.161.4) Re-created until July 1, 2023.

Agency Code 145 (IA)  
421 NW 13 Street, Suite 180, Oklahoma City 73103

www.chiropracticboard.ok.gov  
405/522-3400, FAX 866/245-2748

**Mission Statement** To enhance public health and safety by regulating the practice of chiropractic in Oklahoma to insure that only properly qualified chiropractors practice in the state and that the profession as a whole is conducted in the public's best interest. Re-created until July 1, 2020.

**Administration** Beth Kidd, Executive Director; Joseph English, Investigator; Lauren Arnold, Administrative Assistant

**Personnel** 3 unclassified, non-merit

**History and Function** The board serves as the administrative agency for the conduct and licensing of chiropractic physicians; has authority to enforce statutory laws relating to the profession and is self-sustaining through collection of licensing fees.

## **Climatological Survey, Oklahoma** (74 O.S. § 245) Re-created until July 1, 2023.

(Under direction and supervision of Board of Regents of University of Oklahoma.)

University of Oklahoma, 120 David L. Boren Boulevard, Suite 2900, Norman 73072-7305  
405/325-2541, FAX 405/325-7282

[www.climate.ok.gov](http://www.climate.ok.gov)

**Mission Statement** To acquire, archive, process, and disseminate, in the most cost-effective way possible, all climate and weather information of value to policy and decision makers in the state.

**Administration** Kevin Kloesel, Ph.D., Director; Gary McManus, Ph.D., State Climatologist

**History and Function** The Oklahoma Climatological Survey (OCS) is a state agency mandated to acquire, archive, process, and disseminate, in the most cost-effective way possible, all climate and weather information of value to policy and decision makers in the state. OCS was first established by the University of Oklahoma in 1980 to serve as a supporting structure for the state climatologist. The state legislature in 1982 formalized the OCS's existence with enabling legislation.

Since 1991 the OCS has been the operational home of the Oklahoma Mesonet ([www.mesonet.org](http://www.mesonet.org)), the state's weather network, designed and implemented by the University of Oklahoma (OU) and Oklahoma State University (OSU). The addition of the Mesonet expanded OCS's role from retrospective climate studies to supporting real-time weather-impacted decisions. OCS initiated outreach programs for Oklahoma's K-12 teachers and public safety agencies in 1992 and 1996, respectively, and provides additional decision-support tools in support of rural electric cooperatives and agriculture.

OCS provides tailored information to address particular needs for Oklahoma's citizens and state and local decision makers. OCS scientists utilize all available weather and climate information, both historical and real-time, to assist citizens and state decision makers with understanding current weather conditions and historical circumstances of weather events and climate variability. By integrating weather and climate information from multiple data sources, OCS relieves other state agencies of the necessity to have expertise on staff to assemble and evaluate the multiple information sources. OCS climatologists provide similar expert assessments for citizens of Oklahoma.

OCS is located at OU in Norman, and is under the governance of the OU Board of Regents. OCS is home to the state climatologist. The director of OCS is appointed by the OU Board of Regents, based upon recommendations by a search committee conducted within the OU College of Atmospheric and Geographic Sciences and School of Meteorology. The director also serves as co-chair of the Mesonet Steering Committee.

### **Climate Services**

[climate.mesonet.org](http://climate.mesonet.org)

Mark Shafer, Director of Climate Services, 405/325-3044

### **K-12 Educational Outreach**

[earthstorm.mesonet.org](http://earthstorm.mesonet.org)

Andrea Melvin, Program Manager, 405/325-2652

### **Mesonet, The Oklahoma** (Partnership with OSU, Division of Agricultural & Natural Resources)

[www.mesonet.org](http://www.mesonet.org)

Chris Fiebrich, Associate Director for Mesonet; 405/325-6877

### **OK-First Public Safety Outreach**

[okfirst.mesonet.org](http://okfirst.mesonet.org)

James Hocker, Program Manager, 405/325-3230

## **College Savings Plan, Board of Trustees** (70 O.S. § 3970.4)

877/654-7284

[www.ok4saving.org](http://www.ok4saving.org)

## **Commerce, Oklahoma Department of** (74 O.S. § 5003.1)

Agency Code 160 (1A)

[www.okcommerce.gov](http://www.okcommerce.gov)

900 N Stiles Avenue, Oklahoma City 73104-3234

405/815-6552, National Toll Free 1-800-TRY-OKLA; FAX 405/815-5199

**Mission Statement** To create and deliver high-impact solutions that lead to prosperous lives and communities for all Oklahomans.

**Administration** Brent Kisling, Executive Director, 405/815-5306; Josh McGoldrick, Chief of Staff/Legal Counsel, 405/815-5153; Marshal Vogts, Director, Community Development, 405/815-5370; Jennifer Springer, Director, Business Development, 405/815-5158

**Personnel** 94 unclassified

**History and Function** Established in 1986, the Department of Commerce is the state's lead economic development agency. Its responsibilities include assisting and developing local communities through the investment of federal and state resources; stimulating growth of existing businesses; attracting new domestic and international businesses; and promoting the development and availability of a skilled workforce. The department has offices in Oklahoma City, Tulsa, and has representation in the United Kingdom, the European Union, and Mexico.

## Community Hospitals Authority (63 O.S. § 3240.3)

### Community Service Commission, Oklahoma (Executive Order 2015–10)

730 W Wilshire Blvd., Suite 101 Oklahoma City 73116  
www.okamericorps.com

405/858-7278

### Conservation Commission, Oklahoma (27A O.S. § 3–2–101)

Agency Code 645 (1A)

www.ok.gov/conservation

2800 N Lincoln Boulevard, Suite 200, Oklahoma City 73105-4201

405/521-2384, FAX 405/521-6686

**Mission Statement** To conserve, protect, and restore Oklahoma's natural resources, working in collaboration with the conservation districts and other partners on behalf of the citizens of Oklahoma.

**Administration** Trey Lam, Executive Director 405/521-4827; Lisa Knauf Owen, Assistant Director 405/521-6797;  
Abandoned Mine Land Division, Robert Toole, Director  
Conservation Programs Division, Tammy Swatsky, Director  
District Services Division, Lisa Knauf Owen, Director  
Office of Geographic Information and Technical Services, Mike Sharp, Director  
Water Quality Division, Shanon Phillips, Director

**History and Function** Authorized under the Conservation District Act in 1937 when Oklahoma landowners faced the serious problem of erosion from wind and water, the early-day work for the Conservation Commission was to eradicate these problems. Today the Conservation Commission, the federal USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service, and a network of eighty-four local conservation districts cooperatively carry out conservation Oklahoma. In addition to providing direct technical assistance to local land users for soil and water conservation, the commission and conservation districts are responsible for upstream flood control protection, a state-funded conservation cost-share program, reclamation of abandoned mine land, and nonpoint source water quality monitoring, planning, and management, in addition to a variety of educational and informational activities.

**Abandoned Mine Land Reclamation Program**—The Oklahoma Conservation Commission is the state agency designated to administer the federally-funded Abandoned Mine Land (AML) Reclamation Program. The mission of the program is to reclaim abandoned mined land in Oklahoma. The AML Program, through the Office of Management and Enterprise Services, contracts with private contractors to perform the reclamation work. All AML lands are prioritized based on potential threat to the public health and safety. Oklahoma's abandoned mine land sites are reviewed by the State Reclamation Committee, which includes state and federal agencies and private nonprofit associations.

**Blue Thumb Education Program**—Blue Thumb is an education program of the Conservation Commission's Water Quality Division. It works to educate the public about protecting streams through hands on educational experiences, presentations, and water quality monitoring.

**Carbon Sequestration Certification Program**—The Conservation Commission is designated to verify and certify carbon offsets and avoided emission of greenhouse gases. The program encourages Oklahomans to voluntarily protect water quality; prevent soil erosion and improve soil quality; and improve air quality by adopting conservation practices that sequester or avoid emissions of greenhouse gases.

**Conservation Cost-Share Program**—The Oklahoma Legislature established the Oklahoma Conservation Cost-Share Program in 1998. The Oklahoma Conservation Commission administers the program at the state level and local conservation districts administer it locally. The program provides funds, as appropriated by the legislature, to conservation districts to be used to install conservation practices on the land to reduce soil erosion and improve water quality.

**Conservation Districts**—Oklahoma's eighty-four conservation districts are legal subdivisions of state government organized by local residents. The entire state is divided into conservation districts, often but not always along county lines. Each conservation district office offers a variety of natural resource information including soil surveys. Conservation districts provide services to large segments of the public, including farmers, ranchers, community planners, public health officials, developers, educators, students, and rural and urban citizens. The Conservation Commission's District Services Division is a liaison to conservation district boards and employees to enhance the capabilities of districts to deliver a variety of services and programs. A directory of conservation district offices, addresses, and telephone numbers is available on the Conservation Commission's web site at [www.ok.gov/conservation](http://www.ok.gov/conservation).

**Conservation Education**—The Conservation Education program involves educational assistance to conservation districts, training for teachers, and cooperative projects with other state and federal agencies and higher education entities. The agency is the lead state co-sponsor of the Project WET (Water Education for Teachers) education curriculum, and chairs the Oklahoma Environmental Education Coordinating Committee, which it formed in response to the Oklahoma Environmental Quality Act of 1933, which designated the agency to coordinate environmental education with all other state agencies in an effort to more efficiently serve the public through increased networking among agencies and reduced duplication of effort.

**Geographic Information and Technical Services**—In 1994 the Oklahoma Conservation Commission was authorized by the legislature to prepare a “Strategy for Developing a GIS for the State of Oklahoma,” creating the State GIS Council to assist with this project. The Conservation Commission serves as the chair of the State GIS Council, which coordinates sharing and integration of GIS information between agencies to improve state functions. The Conservation Commission’s Office of Geographic Information and Technical Services division’s responsibilities include housing the State Office of Geographic Information and the State GIS coordinator as well as maintaining Oklahoma Conservation Commission’s geographic information systems (GIS) operations and database. The division also coordinates computer network for the agency and for conservation districts.

**Nonpoint Source Water Quality**—The Oklahoma Environmental Quality Act (Laws 1992, c. 398) statutorily designated the Conservation Commission as the state’s nonpoint source technical lead agency in carrying out Section 319 Nonpoint Source Management Programs of the Federal Clean Water Act Amendments of 1987. As such, the agency’s Water Quality Division is responsible for the assessment, prioritization, and management of nonpoint source pollution of the state’s waters required under Section 319. The Water Quality Division monitors small feeder streams on a rotational basis to determine the impact of nonpoint source pollution on the state’s water resources. This rotational monitoring program, supports the state’s ambient monitoring program. The division coordinates the development and management of a performance-based Priority Watershed Cost-Share Program, in which federal and state funds are made available to landowners to install conservation practices to reduce the state’s nonpoint source pollution. The division director chairs the nonpoint Source Working Group, which is made up of federal, state, and local agencies, environmental and producer groups, and Indian tribes. The group identifies priorities where funds and technical assistance will be directed.

**Small Watershed Upstream Flood Control Program**—The Conservation Commission assists the state’s eighty-four local conservation districts in the construction of new and rehabilitation of aging Small Watershed Upstream Flood Control Program structures (most often dams) as well as operation and maintenance of those structures. Oklahoma has more than 2,100 upstream flood control dams, the most of any state in the nation.

**Soil Health Education Program**—An education program of the Conservation Commission’s Water Quality Division, this program trains conservation district employees, directors, and the public in the importance of soil health, and its link to water quality, so that they may apply this knowledge on their land and share it with their local communities. The training program delves into soil health principles by teaching easy to use techniques for understanding, assessing, and restoring soil health through hands-on learning opportunities.

**Wetlands**—In 1990 the Oklahoma Legislature, through O.S. 27 A § 3–2–108 gave jurisdiction to the Oklahoma Conservation Commission to prepare a Wetland Management Strategy for the State of Oklahoma. To guide the effort, the agency developed and chairs the Oklahoma Wetlands Work Group that is comprised of technical representatives from state and federal agencies involved with wetland management, tribal representatives, local governments, non-governmental institutions, and industry representatives. The first wetlands strategy was completed in 1996 and is entitled “Oklahoma’s Comprehensive Wetland Conservation Plan.” The updated version is call the “Wetland Program Plan.” The plan guides the state in providing assistance with wetland related issues for Oklahomans, including promoting private and public cooperation in managing wetlands through a voluntary system using education, technical assistance, and incentives to bring the private and public sectors into wetlands management.

## Construction Industries Board (59 O.S. § 1000.2)

Re-created until July 1, 2023

2401 NW 23 Street, Suite 2F, Oklahoma City 73107-2428  
405/521-6550, 877/484-4424, FAX 405/521-6525

[www.ok.gov/cib](http://www.ok.gov/cib)

**Mission Statement** To protect life and property by licensing and inspection of the related trades for the health, safety, and welfare of the public.

**Administration** Janis Hubbard, Administrator; Windy Nunnery, Office Manager; Stephanie Brown, Board Secretary/  
Executive Assistant

**Personnel** 35 unclassified

**History and Function** Created in 2001 to consolidate and streamline the administration of the various construction licensing committees, formerly under the Department of Health, and increase transparency for the licensing and oversight of the construction industries trades, which include the Plumbing License Law of 1955, the Oklahoma Inspectors Act, the Electrical License Act, the Mechanical Licensing Act, the Home Inspection Licensing Act, and the Roofing Contractor Registration Act.

Entities included under the direction of the Construction Industries Board include:

**Electrical Examiners, Committee of** (59 O.S. § 1683)

**Electrical Hearing Board** (59 O.S. § 1689)

**Electrical Installation Code Variance & Appeals Board** (59 O.S. § 1697)

**Home Inspector Examiners, Committee of** (59 O.S. § 858–624)

**Inspector Examiners Committee** (59 O.S. § 1034)

**Mechanical Hearing Board** (59 O.S. § 1850.14)

**Mechanical Examiners, Committee of** (59 O.S. § 1850.4)

**Mechanical Installation Code Variance & Appeals Board** (59 O.S. § 1850.16)

**Plumbing Examiners, Committee of** (74 O.S. § 3903; 59 O.S. §1004) Re-created until July 1, 2016

**Plumbing Hearing Board** (59 O.S. § 1010)

**Plumbing Installation Code Variance & Appeals Board** (59 O.S. § 1021.1)

**Roofing Examiners, Committee of** (59 O.S. § 1151.26)

**Roofing Hearing Board** (59 O.S. § 1151.28)

**Roofing Installation Code Variance and Appeals Board, Oklahoma State** (59 O.S. § 1159.29)

## Consumer Credit, Department of (14A O.S. § 6–501)

Agency Code 635 (IA)

3613 NW 56 Street, Suite 240, Oklahoma City 73112

[www.ok.gov/okdocc](http://www.ok.gov/okdocc)

405/521-3653, 800/448-4904, FAX 405/521-6740

**Mission Statement** We protect and educate consumer buyers, lessees, and borrowers against unfair practices, and are fair and impartial in the regulation of consumer credit transactions in Oklahoma.

**Administration** Scott Lesher, Administrator

**Personnel** 33 classified, 6 unclassified

**History and Function** The Oklahoma Department of Consumer Credit was created by the Oklahoma Legislature in 1969. The department is responsible for the regulation of consumer credit sales and consumer loans in the state of Oklahoma. The department also is responsible for the licensing and regulation of mortgage brokers, mortgage lenders, mortgage loan originators, pawnshops, deferred deposit lenders, rental purchase lessors, health spa contracts, credit serve organizations, precious metal and gem dealers, consumer litigation funders, and Oklahoma small lenders.

**Commission on Consumer Credit** (14A O.S. § 6–501)

**Consumer Credit Advisory Committee** (14A O.S. § 6–501)

**Licenses included under the direction of the Department of Consumer Credit include:**

**Credit Service Organization** (24 O.S. § 131–148)

**Consumer Litigation Funder** (14A O.S. § 3–801–3–817)

**Deferred Deposit Lender** (59 O.S. § 3101–3119)

**Health Spa** (59 O.S. § 2000–2012)

**Mortgage Lender** (59 O.S. § 2095–2095.26)

**Mortgage Broker** (59 O.S. § 2095–2095.26)

**Mortgage Loan Originator** (59 O.S. § 2095–2095.26)

**Notification Filing** (14A O.S. § 6–201–6–203)

**Oklahoma Small Lender** (59 O.S. § 3150–3150.27)

**Pawnbroker** (59 O.S. § 1501–1515)

**Precious Metal and Gem Dealer** (59 O.S. § 1521–1532)

**Rental Purchase Lessor** (59 O.S. § 1950–1957)

**Supervised Lender** (14A O.S. § 1–101–3–705)

## Cooperative Extension Service at Oklahoma State University (19 O.S. § 130.2)

[www.oces.okstate.edu](http://www.oces.okstate.edu)

405/744-5398

## Cooperative Sovereignty, Oklahoma Commission on (Executive Order 2020–24)

### Corporation Commission, Oklahoma (Constitution, Article 9 § 15; 17 O.S. § 1 et seq.)

Agency Code 185 (IA)

Jim Thorpe Building, 2101 N Lincoln Boulevard

PO Box 52000, Oklahoma City 73152-2000

[www.occeweb.com](http://www.occeweb.com)

405/521-2211, FAX 405/522-1623, TDD 405/521-3513

**Commissioners** Bob Anthony—405/521-2261, Todd Hiett—405/521-2264, and Dana Murphy—405/521-2267.

**Administration** Tim Rhodes, Director, 405/521-2307;

Administrative Services, Holly George, CFO, 405/521-3526

Judicial and Legislative Services, Maribeth Snapp, Administrator, 405/522-1409

Information Technology Division, Dan Ingram, IT Specialist, 405/521-4520

Oil & Gas Conservation Division, Robyn Strickland, Director, 405/522-0577

Petroleum Storage Tank Division, Robyn Strickland, Director, 405/521-4861

Public Utility/Consumer Services Division, Brandy Wreath, Director, 405/521-2322  
 Transportation Division, Mark Willingham, Director, 405/522-5285

**Mission Statement** To empower Oklahoma by ensuring responsible development of oil and gas resources; reliable utility service at fair rates; safe and legal operation of motor carriers, pipelines, rail crossings, and fueling stations; and prevention and remediation of energy-related pollution of the environment, while balancing the rights and needs of the people with those regulated entities through development and enforcement of regulations in an open, transparent, ethical, and just manner.

**Personnel** 344 classified, 209 unclassified, 1 temporary

**History and Function** The Corporation Commission was established in 1907 by Article 9 of the Oklahoma Constitution. The first legislature gave the commission the authority to regulate what were legally defined as “public service corporations.” Initially, the commission regulated transportation and transmission companies; mostly railroad and telephone and telegraph companies. In 1908, pipelines and telephone services were placed under the authority of the commission. In 1913, regulation of heat, light, power rates, and water were added, and in 1914, oil and natural gas drilling and production became part of the commission’s jurisdiction.

The commission presently regulates electric and natural gas utilities, except those under federal or municipal jurisdictions or exempt from regulation; oil and gas drilling, production and environmental protection, including seismicity; aspects of motor carrier, rail and pipeline transportation; most taxis, limousines, for-hire buses, and transportation networks (e.g. Uber); towing companies performing nonconsensual tows; cotton gins; and private water companies. The commission also has the responsibility to ensure proper operation of fuel dispensing units (i.e., gas pumps) at all retail filling stations, and the remediation of groundwater and soil pollution caused by leaking petroleum storage tanks.

There are three corporation commissioners, each elected to a six year term. The seats are statewide. There is a two term limit. The terms are staggered so one commissioner vacancy occurs every two years. The three commissioners decide regulatory matters within the jurisdiction of the commission.

## Corrections, State Department of (57 O.S. § 505) Board (57 O.S. § 503)

Agency Code 131 (1A)

3400 N Martin Luther King Avenue 73111-4298

PO Box 11400, Oklahoma City 73136-0400

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405/425-2500, FAX 405/425-2578

**Mission Statement** To protect the public, the employees, and the offender.

**Administration** Scott Crow, Interim of Corrections, 405/425-2506; Kathi Sappington, Executive Assistant to the Director, 405/425-2535; Tasha Parker, Division Support Coordinator, 405/425-2506; Mike Carpenter, Chief of Operations, 405/425-2588; Jessica Brown, Chief of Strategic Engagement, 405/425-4055; Gary Elliott, General Counsel, 405/425-2515; Millicent Newton-Embry, Director of Offender Services, 405/962-6182; James Rudek, Director of Community Corrections, 405/425-7100; Angela York, Director of Employee Rights and Relations, 405/425-2558; Ashlee Clemmons, Chief Financial Officer, 405/425-2776; Justin Farris, Chief of Staff, 405/425-2114; Brad Bailey, Director of Agri-Services, 405/425-7554; Theodore Woodhead, Acting Inspector General, Office of Fugitive Apprehension and Investigations, 405/425-2508; and Kevin Duckworth, Director of Health Services, 405/962-6084.

**Personnel** 3,736 classified, 447 unclassified, 17 temporary

**History and Function** In May 1967 the Oklahoma Corrections Act was signed into law by Governor Dewey F. Bartlett. The Board of Corrections are appointees: five members are appointed by the governor; two members are appointed by the President Pro Tempore of the Oklahoma Senate; and two members are appointed by the Speaker of the Oklahoma House of Representatives 57 OS § 503.

The board is the governing body for the department. Powers and duties of the board are found in 57 OS § 217, § 504, § 505, § 508, § 510, § 541, § 543, § 549, § 561, § 561.1 and 61 OS § 130. The department protects the public, the employees, and the offenders, and is responsible for the operation of nineteen institutions ranging from maximum to minimum security, six probation and parole districts, and four community corrections centers.

**Board of Directors for Canteen Services** (57 O.S. § 537) (Parent Canteen Board Director)

**Administration** Scott Crow, Director of Board Administration; Ashlee Clemmons, Director of Business Services, 405/425-2694, FAX 405/425-7156

**Inmate Reentry Policy Council** (57 O.S. § 521.1)

**Investigations Division** (57 O.S. § 508.4)

**Administration** Johnny Blevins, Director of Fugitive Apprehension and Investigations, 405/425-2571

**Oklahoma Correctional Industries** (57 O.S. § 549.1)

www.ocisales.com

3402 N Martin Luther King Avenue, Oklahoma City 73111-4219 405/425-7525, FAX 405/425-7502

**Administration** Alex Lunn, Acting Director of Oklahoma Correctional Industries

Oklahoma Correctional Industries is a program within the Oklahoma Department of Corrections. Its mission is to

provide work opportunities that emphasize the development of work ethics and provide skills training to a maximum number of offenders in the Oklahoma correctional system. To successfully accomplish this goal, OCI strives to maintain cost effective operations that provide qualified customers with necessary products and services. It is the goal of OCI to provide products and services that are comparable in quality and workmanship to private sector goods, competitively priced, and delivered in a timely manner.

**Sex Offender Level Assignment Committee** (57 O.S. § 582.5) Formerly Sex Offender Risk Assessment Review Committee.

## Cosmetology and Barbering, State Board of (59 O.S. § 199)

Agency Code 190 (IA)

2401 NW 23 Street, Suite 84, Oklahoma City, 73107

www.cosmo.ok.gov

405/521-2441, fax 405-5212440

**Mission Statement** To safeguard and protect the health and general welfare of the people of the state of Oklahoma by performing a variety of services from developing curriculum for schools to administering examinations for prospective practitioners of the cosmetology and barbering profession.

**Administration** Sherry G. Lewelling, Executive Director; sherry.lewelling@cosmo.ok.gov

**History and Function** The State Board of Cosmetology was created by the Oklahoma Legislature in 1935, primarily as a self-sustaining licensing agency. Recreated in 2014 as the Oklahoma State Board of Cosmetology and Barbering, the entity licenses and regulates the profession of cosmetology, barbering, esthetics, manicuring, instructors, and establishments where these services are performed. It also regulates health and safety issues in schools approved by the Board. Anyone who provides these types of services including but not limited to, haircutting, hairdressing, nail care, skin care and the application of make-up must be licensed by the Board. Recreated until July 1, 2021.

## County Government Personnel Education and Training, Commission on

(19 O.S. § 130.1) Re-created until July 1, 2023

318 Agriculture Hall, Oklahoma State University, Stillwater 74078-6026  
405/744-6160

agecon.okstate.edu/ctp

**Administration** Notie H. Lansford; Gayle Hiner, Publications Officer at Oklahoma Cooperative Extension Service,  
405/744-3659

## Courtroom Interpreters, State Board of Examiners of Certified

(20 O.S. § 1701, Ch. 23; 63 O.S. § 2408)

**Administration** Jari Askins, Court Administrator; Debra Charles, Director of Language Access; Tammy Reaves, Administrator of Court Service Programs

**History and Function** Created by the Oklahoma Legislature in 2005, the board is composed of five members. All members shall be appointed by the Chief Justice of the Oklahoma Supreme Court. Functions of the board include credentialing of courtroom interpreters, conducting proceedings and making recommendations to the Oklahoma Supreme Court regarding the suspension, cancellation, revocation or reinstatement of the credentialed courtroom interpreters.

## Credit Union Board, Oklahoma State (6 O.S. § 2001.1)

State Banking Department

2900 N Lincoln Blvd., Oklahoma City 73105

Tulsa Office: 7666 E 61 Street, Suite 305, Tulsa 74133

405/521-2782, FAX 405/522-2993

918/295-3649, FAX 918/893-6405

**Mission Statement** To promote and preserve sound constructive competition among financial services and to help ensure the security of deposits through the promulgation of rules and regulations governing the credit union industry in Oklahoma and by promoting diversity in financial products and services.

**Administration** Mick Thompson, Bank Commissioner; O. Dudley Gilbert, Deputy Commissioner; Regina Rainey, Chief of Staff; Matt Mowdy, General Counsel; Angela Morris, Administrative Assistant.

**History and Function** Established by the Oklahoma Legislature in 1974, the board is authorized to exercise the powers given to the state banking commissioner under previous legislation and is authorized to promulgate rules and regulations to carry out the department's responsibilities.

## Crime Victims Compensation Board (21 O.S. § 142.4)

Agency Code 220 (IA)

421 NW 13 Street, Suite 290, Oklahoma City 73103

405/264-5006

**Administration** Suzanne Breedlove, Director of Victim Services; Trent H. Baggett, Executive Coordinator, District Attorneys Council

### **Davis, J.M. Memorial Commission** (53 O.S. § 201A)

Agency Code 204 [www.jmdavis.state.ok.us](http://www.jmdavis.state.ok.us) [www.thegunmuseum.com](http://www.thegunmuseum.com)  
330 North J.M. Davis Boulevard, PO Box 966, Claremore 74018-0966 918/341-5707; 800/745-6098; FAX 918/341-5771  
[www.okvictimscomp.com](http://www.okvictimscomp.com)

**Mission Statement** To house, preserve, and display the unique items collected by J.M. Davis, and to provide an educational experience, entertainment, and pleasure to viewers of the collection.

**Administration** Wayne McCombs, Executive Director

**Personnel** 3 permanent, 3 temporary

**History and Function** The duty of the J.M. Davis Memorial Commission is to house, preserve, and display the arms collections and historical artifacts. The J.M. Davis Arms and Historical Museum houses more than 50,000 guns and related items, including 1,200 steins from all over the world, John Rogers's Statuary, Gallery of Outlaw Guns, western memorabilia, Native American artifacts, antique music boxes, antique musical instruments, swords and knives, World War I posters, a very extensive research library, and a gift shop.

### **Dentistry, Oklahoma Board of** (Constitution, Article 5 § 39; 59 O.S. § 328.7)

Agency Code 215 (1A) [www.ok.gov/dentistry](http://www.ok.gov/dentistry)  
2920 N Lincoln Boulevard, Suite B, Oklahoma City 73105 405/522-4844 FAX 405/522-4614

**Mission Statement** To enhance public health and safety by regulating the practice of dentistry in the state in accordance with the State Dental Act and ensuring that the dental profession as a whole is conducted safely and in the public's best interest.

**Administration** Susan Rogers, Esq., Executive Director and General Counsel

**Personnel** 5 classified, 5 unclassified

**History and Function** The Oklahoma Board of Dentistry was created in the Oklahoma Constitution in 1935. The board is responsible for the regulation and oversight of the licensing and practice of dentistry in Oklahoma. In conjunction with the practice of dentistry, the board also regulates the practice of dental hygiene, permits dental assistants, and issues permits to dental laboratories. The board is not appropriated state funds, but is self-sustaining on licensing fees and regulatory fines.

### **Developmental Disabilities Council of Oklahoma**

(Executive Order 93-20, as retained by Executive Order 2019-07)

2401 NW 23 Street, Suite 74, Oklahoma City 73107 [www.okddc.ok.gov](http://www.okddc.ok.gov)  
405/521-4984, 800/836-4470, FAX 405/521-4910 E-mail—[staff@okddc.ok.gov](mailto:staff@okddc.ok.gov)

**Administration** A.J. Griffin, Chair; Ann Trudgeon, Director

**Mission Statement** The mission of the Oklahoma Developmental Disabilities Council is to lead and advocate for systems change in the field of developmental disabilities, leverage collaborations and partnerships toward improved services and supports for Oklahomans with developmental disabilities, and promote positive perceptions and attitudes toward people with developmental disabilities.

### **Diabetes Center, Comprehensive** (70 O.S. § 3318)

Oklahoma City: [haroldhamm.org](http://haroldhamm.org) Tulsa: [tulsa.ou.edu/diabetes](http://tulsa.ou.edu/diabetes)

**Mission Statement** Authorized establishment of a diabetes center on the campus of the University of Oklahoma Health Sciences Center in Oklahoma City (Harold Hamm Diabetes Center), and a diabetes clinic at the OU Schusterman Center in Tulsa.

### **Disability Concerns, Office of** (74 O.S. § 9.21)

Agency Code 326 (1A) [www.ok.gov/odc](http://www.ok.gov/odc)  
11212 N May Ave Suite 103A, Oklahoma City 73130  
405/521-3756, 800/522-8224 Email—[odc@odc.ok.gov](mailto:odc@odc.ok.gov)

**Mission Statement** To serve Oklahoma and Oklahomans with their disability concerns through advocacy, education, resources, and information.

**Administration** R. Douglas MacMilan, Director; William Ginn, Client Assistance Program Director; Tahirah Johnson, Disability Program Specialist; Valencia Stiggers, Disability Program Specialist; Jacob Hill, Disability Program Specialist

**Personnel** 5 classified, 2 unclassified, merit

**History and Function** The Office Disability Concerns was formed in 1980 as referenced in Title 74, Sections 9.21–9.35 of the Oklahoma Statutes. The agency is served by two advisory committees with separate functions. These committees are the Governor’s Committee on Employment of People with Disabilities and the Governor’s Advisory Committee to the Office of Disability Concerns. For a list, please contact the agency at 405/521-3756 or 800/522-8224.

The purpose of the agency is to help state government develop policies and services that meet the needs of Oklahomans with disabilities. Additionally, our mission reaches to a large cross section of Oklahoma’s population by providing a one-of-a-kind service providing information, education, advocacy for all things ADA. The agency works one concern at a time and does make a difference in many Oklahomans’ lives. This community has a wide range of concerns and may not be aware of what is available. When an individual contacts our agency we work with them to identify available resources that may help them with their concern.

Our mission falls into six major categories: (1) technical assistance with all things concerning disability; (2) support for the state policy makers, legislators, and ADA coordinators; (3) training and awareness to business, schools, general public, groups, and associations as well as other state agencies; (4) the Client Assistance Program; (5) maintain inbound channels to support inquiries over a variety of subjects that may be impacting a person with a disability; (6) and maintain an original library of information that includes some excellent practical publications, training material, suggested reading material, *Facebook*, and our website.

#### **Client Assistance Program**

405/521-3756, FAX 405/522-6695

**Administration** William Ginn, Director

**History and Function** Section 112 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended. The purpose of this program is to advise and inform clients, client applicants, and other individuals with disabilities of all the available services and benefits under the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended, and of the services and benefits available to them under Title I of the Americans With Disabilities Act (DA). In addition, grantees may assist and advocate for clients and client applicants in relation to projects, programs, and services provided under the Rehabilitation Act. In providing assistance and advocacy under Title I of the Rehabilitation Act, a CAP agency may provide assistance and advocacy with respect to services that are directly related to employment for the client or client applicant.

### **District Attorneys Council** (19 O.S. § 215.28)

Agency Code 220 (IA)  
421 NW 13 Street, Suite 290, Oklahoma City 73103

[www.ok.gov/dac](http://www.ok.gov/dac)  
405/264-5000, FAX 405/264-5099

**Mission Statement** To strengthen the criminal justice system in Oklahoma by providing a professional organization for the education, training, and coordination of technical efforts of all state prosecutors.

**Administration** Trent H. Baggett, Executive Coordinator; Kathryn Boyle Brewer, Assistant Executive Coordinator, 405/264-5000, FAX 405/264-5099; Suzanne Breedlove, Victims Services Division, 405/264-5006, FAX 405/264-5097; Stephanie Lowery, Director, Federal Programs/Grants Division, 405/264-5008, FAX 405/264-5099; Bud Webster, Director, Finance Division, 405/264-5004, FAX 405/264-5099; Jebessa Mosisa, Director, IT Division, 405/264-5002, FAX 405/264-5099; Jennifer Crilly, Director, Training & Outreach Division, 405/264-5000, FAX 405/264-5099

**Personnel** 50 unclassified, non-merit

### **Drought Commission, Emergency** (27A O.S. § 2251) Formed if needed.

### **Education, State Board of** (Constitution, Article 13 § 5, 70 O.S. § 3–101)

Agency Code 265 (IA)  
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405/521-3308, FAX 405/521-6205

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**Administration** Joy Hofmeister, State Superintendent of Public Instruction and Chairperson of the State Board; Terrie Cheadle, Chief Executive Secretary

### **Education, State Department of** (70 O.S. §1–105, 1–115)

Agency Code 265 (IA)  
Oliver Hodge Memorial Building, 2500 N Lincoln Boulevard, Oklahoma City 73105-4599

[www.ok.gov/sde](http://www.ok.gov/sde)

405/521-6938, FAX 405/521-6205

**Administration** Joy Hofmeister, State Superintendent of Public Instruction  
 Phil Bacharach, Chief of Staff  
 Brad Clark, General Counsel  
 Dr. Shelly Ellis, Deputy Superintendent of Student Support  
 Monty Guthrie, Deputy Superintendent of Federal Programs & Finance  
 Keith Hicks, Executive Director of Operational Support  
 Dr. Cindy Koss, Deputy State Superintendent of Student Learning and Achievement  
 Dr. Robyn Miller, Deputy Superintendent of School Support & Accountability  
 Mathangi Shankar, Chief Financial Officer  
 Carolyn Thompson, Deputy Chief of Staff & Chief of Governmental Affairs

**Personnel** 264 unclassified

**History and Function** Responsible for all phases of state public school education, the department is under the direction of the State Board of Education, consisting of seven members. The superintendent of public instruction is elected to a four-year term by the people, or appointed by the governor to fill an unexpired term, and serves as a voting member and chair of the board. The other six members are appointed by the governor, confirmed by the Oklahoma Senate and serve staggered six-year terms. The department oversees many aspects of public education, including accreditation, state standards, school improvement, special education services, federal and state finances, child nutrition programs, teacher certification and effectiveness, school finance, school transportation, reading, student testing, gifted/talented, school accountability, literacy, and Indian education.

**Military Children, Oklahoma State Council for Educational Opportunity for** (70 O.S. § 510.2)

## Educational Quality and Accountability, Office of

(70 O.S. § 3-117)

Agency Code 275 (IA)  
 840 Research Parkway, Suite 455, Oklahoma City 73104

www.oega.ok.gov  
 405/522-5399, FAX 405/525-0373

**Administration** Dr. Daniel Craig, Executive Director

**History and Function** Originally established as the Office of Accountability under the Education Oversight Board by HB 1017, the Education Reform Act of 1990, the Office of Educational Quality and Accountability became operational under its new name in July of 2013. It is governed by the Commission for Educational Quality and Accountability, which is composed of seven members, all appointed by the Governor. The original charge to the office was to establish and administer the Oklahoma Educational Indicators Program, serving as a clearinghouse for statistical information from common education, career and technical education, higher education, and several other state agencies. The Educational Indicators Program provides comparative statistics for each of the 520 school districts and the nearly 1,800 schools in the state. Publications include a state report, a district report and school report cards. An additional charge to the office was to establish and administer the Oklahoma School Performance Review Program, which comprehensively analyzes the performance of Oklahoma's public school districts in all areas of operation. The reviews are collaboratively conducted by OEQA staff and outside review teams on a district-by-district basis with the findings published in a detailed report presented to the local board of education at the conclusion of the review process. Effective July 1, 2014, the Oklahoma Commission for Teacher Preparation's programs and personnel became a part of the Office of Educational Quality and Accountability. The responsibility for ensuring quality teacher preparation will still continue under the guidelines established by the Oklahoma Legislature in House Bill 1549. This landmark educational reform legislation establishes that the office will approve and accredit new teacher education programs, review and assess existing teacher education programs, assess teacher candidates for licensure and certification and encourage studies and research designed to improve teacher education. The commission is committed to developing and sustaining a well-prepared professional teacher workforce ensuring that all Oklahoma students have the opportunity to be academically successful.

## Educational Quality and Accountability Commission (70 O.S. § 3-116.2)

## Educational Television Authority, Oklahoma (70 O.S. § 23-105)

Re-created until July 1, 2023

Agency Code 266 (IA)  
 7403 N Kelley Avenue  
 405/848-8501, 800/879-6382, FAX 405/841-9216, FAX News 405/841-9226,  
 TDD 405/841-9294 (Oklahoma City area); TDD 800/292-1397 (other Oklahoma areas).

www.oeta.tv  
 PO Box 14190, Oklahoma City 73113

**Mission Statement** OETA's mission is to provide essential educational television content and multimedia services that inform, inspire, and connect Oklahomans to ideas and information that enrich our quality of life.

The intent of OETA is to assure that new educational technologies, both over the air and on-line, benefit all citizens of the state. This opens new opportunities for more educational content, improved local services, increased civic engagement, and more coverage of state government and innovative bandwidth management. With the right investment in equipment and personnel, the state of Oklahoma will be able to provide instant, statewide, essential two-way communication for emergencies/public safety, training, and citizen involvement via OETA's broadcast spectrum and ancillary bandwidth.

**Administration** Polly Anderson, Executive Director; Curtis Calvin, VP of Education and Outreach; Bill Perry, VP of Content Production; Janette Thornbrue, VP of Operations; Rick Ladd, VP of Engineering; Dustin Pyeatt, Director of Communications; Steve Bennett, Managing News Editor; Shawn Black, VP of Finance

**Personnel** 47 unclassified, non-merit

**History and Function** A statutory corporation created by law in 1953, OETA makes instructional and public television services available to all citizens of Oklahoma on a coordinated statewide basis. Four transmitters, located at Channel 13 in Oklahoma City, Channel 11 in Tulsa, Channel 3 in Eufaula, and Channel 12 in Cheyenne, with fourteen translators located statewide, extend OETA's services throughout Oklahoma. OETA has offices and production studios in both Oklahoma City and Tulsa.

**Documentary Program Unit** (Laws 1998, c. 280§23)

## Election Board, State (26 O.S. § 2–101)

Agency Code 270 (1A)  
State Capitol, Room G–28  
405/521–2391, FAX 405/521–6457

www.elections.ok.gov  
PO Box 53156, Oklahoma City 73152  
E-mail—info@elections.ok.gov

**Mission Statement** To achieve and maintain uniformity in the application, operation, and interpretation of the state and federal election laws with a maximum degree of correctness, impartiality, and efficiency.

**Administration** Paul Ziriaux, Secretary; Vacant, Assistant Secretary; Jay Smith, Election Services; Erin Dorio, Support Services; Suzanne Cox, Policy Director; Carol Morris, Ballot Generation Services

**Personnel** 4 classified, 22 unclassified

**History and Function** Established under the Oklahoma Constitution in 1907, the Oklahoma State Election Board is the administrative agency for the conduct of state elections and the oversight of the state's seventy-seven county election boards. Governance of the agency is the statutory responsibility of the secretary of the State Election Board, who is the chief state election official. The secretary's responsibilities include accepting candidate filings for state, federal and judicial offices; printing ballots for federal and state elections; distributing election supplies to county election boards; providing training to county election board officials and poll workers; promulgating rules and procedures for the conduct and administration of elections; and providing general supervision and support to county election boards. A board consisting of three members and two alternate members is appointed by the governor, with the advise and consent of the Oklahoma Senate, from lists provided by the state's two largest political parties. Although the board does not govern the agency, its many important responsibilities include certifying election results, hearing contests of candidacy, and appointing county election board secretaries and members. By law the secretary of the Oklahoma Senate serves as the secretary of the State Election Board.

## Emergency Management, Oklahoma Department of (63 O.S. § 683.4)

Agency Code 309 (1A)  
PO Box 53365, Oklahoma City 73152  
E-mail—info@oem.ok.gov

www.ok.gov/oem  
(Duty officer on 24-hour call) 405/521–2481, FAX 405/521–4053

**Mission Statement** Helping to minimize the effects of disasters and emergencies upon the people of Oklahoma.

**Administration** Mark Gower, Director; Keli Cain, Public Information Officer

**Personnel** 4 classified, 43 unclassified, merit

**History and Function** Created by the Oklahoma Legislature in 1951, later laws combined the responsibilities of the Department of Emergency Resources Management with the Department of Civil Defense. The department now implements programs designed to minimize the effects of national and natural disaster upon the people of Oklahoma.

## Employment Security Commission, Oklahoma (40 O.S. § 4–102)

Agency Code 290 (1A)  
Will Rogers Memorial Office Building, 2401 N Lincoln Boulevard, Oklahoma City 73105  
405/557–7100, Local Offices Toll Free 888/980–9675, TDD 405/557–7531

www.ok.gov/oesc

E-mail—webmaster@oesc.state.ok.us

**Mission Statement** To enhance Oklahoma's economy by providing unemployment compensation to support unemployed workers and their communities, matching jobs and workers to increase the efficiency of local labor markets, referring workers to training opportunities to enhance and align their skills to meet local labor market needs, and gathering, analyzing, and disseminating information about the labor force to improve local economic decisions.

**Administration** Shelley Zumwalt, Interim Executive Director

**Personnel** 420 classified, 9 unclassified, 9 temporary

**History and Function** Created by the Oklahoma Legislature in 1941, the Oklahoma Employment Security Commission (OESC) governs the operation of local workforce centers. These centers provide testing, career counseling, and placement services; solicit job orders from employers; refer job seekers; provide an online job bank; and provide special services for veterans and disabled veterans including job development, counseling, and placement. OESC also collects unemployment insurance taxes from employers to fund unemployment benefits to jobless workers. Unemployment insurance claims are filed online and through call centers. The OESC, in cooperation with the Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS), manages research programs that provide current labor market information to employers, job seekers, employment and guidance counselors, and students to assist them in making informed decisions. The agency is part of a national network of employment service agencies receiving funding (OESC is funded solely with monies issued by the U.S. Department of Labor) from the federal government and is governed by a five-member commission appointed by the governor with consent of the Oklahoma Senate.

**Board of Review** (40 O.S. § 4–202)

Employment Security Commission  
2401 N Lincoln Boulevard, Oklahoma City 73152

## Employment Service, Local Offices

City (Office Number)—Counties Served

Ada (62)—Garvin, Pontotoc

580/332-1533  
1500 Hoppe Boulevard, Suite 2  
(PO Box 850, 74820)

Altus (33)—Greer, Harmon, Jackson, Kiowa

580/482-3262  
1115 N Spurgeon Street, 73521  
(PO Box 551, 73522)

Ardmore (10) Carter, Love, Murray

580/223-3291  
2421 Autumn Run, Suite B, 73401  
(PO Box 1457, 73402)

Bartlesville (74)—Nowata, Osage, Washington

918/332-4800  
210 NE Washington, 74006  
(PO Box 4039, 74006-4039)

Chickasha (26) Grady, McClain, Caddo

405/224-3310  
301 S 2 Street, 73018  
(PO Box 398, 73023)

Duncan (69)—Jefferson, Stephens

580/255-8950  
1927 W Elk Avenue, 73533  
(PO Box 750070, 73575)

Durant (07)—

Atoka, Bryan, Coal, Johnston, Marshall  
580/924-1828  
4209 W Highway 70 West, 74701

Enid (24)—Alfalfa, Blaine, Garfield,

Grant, Kingfisher, Major  
580/234-6043  
114 S Independence, 73701

Guymon (70)—Beaver, Cimarron, Texas

580/338-8521  
304 NE 4 Street, 73942

Idabel (45)—Choctaw, McCurtain, Pushmataha

580/286-6667  
2102 SE Washington Street, Suite B & C, 74745  
(PO Box 1197, 74545)

Lawton (16)—Comanche, Cotton, Tillman

580/357-3500  
1711 SW 11 Street, 73501  
(PO Box 989, 73502)

McAlester (61)—

Haskell, Latimer, Pittsburg  
918/423-6830  
1414 E Wade Watts Avenue, 74501  
(PO Box 1108, 74502)

Miami (58)—Craig, Ottawa

918/542-5561  
121 N Main, 74354  
(PO Box 670, 74355)

Muskogee (51)—

McIntosh, Muskogee, Wagoner  
918/682-3364  
717 S 32 Street, 74401 (PO Box 1688, 74402)

Oklahoma City (5509) East—

Canadian, Logan, Oklahoma  
405/600-9965  
7401 NE 23 Street, 73141

Okmulgee (56)—Okmulgee

918/304-3160  
1601 S Wood Drive, 74447

Ponca City (36)—Kay, Noble, Osage  
580/765-3372  
400 E Central, Suite 103 74601

Poteau (40)—LeFlore  
918/647-3124  
1507 S McKenna, 74953  
(PO Box 9, 74953)

Pryor (49)—Delaware, Mayes  
918/825-2582, FAX 918/825-6494  
403 E Graham Avenue, 74361

Sapulpa (19)—Creek  
918/224-9430  
1700 S Main Street, 74066  
(PO Box, 1403, 74066)

Seminole (67)—Seminole  
405/382-4670  
229 N 2 Street, 74868  
(PO Box 910, 74818)

Shawnee (63)—Lincoln, Pottawatomie  
405/275-7800  
2 John C. Bruton Blvd., 74804

Stillwater (60)—Payne  
405/624-1450  
3006 E 6 Street, HWY 51 74074  
(PO Box 1987, 74076)

Tulsa Skyline (7209)—  
Osage, Pawnee, Tulsa  
918/796-1200  
201 W 5 Street, Suite 200, 74103

Tahlequah (1116)—  
Cherokee, Adair, Sequoyah  
918/456-8846  
1295 Skills Center Circle, 74464

Weatherford (20)—  
Beckham, Custer, Roger Mills, Washita  
1516 Lera Drive, Suite 1, 73096-2664  
580/302-7380

Woodward (77)—  
Dewey, Ellis, Harper, Woods, Woodward  
580/256-3308  
1117 11 Street, 73801  
(PO Box 608, 73801)

## Energy and Environment, Secretary of (27A O.S. § 1-2-101)

204 N Robinson, Suite 1010, Oklahoma City 73102  
405/522-7099

[www.ee.ok.gov](http://www.ee.ok.gov)

**Mission Statement** The Office of Energy and Environment Management helps develop and advance policies that encourage energy exploration and productive as well as environmental stewardship.

**Administration** Kenneth E. Wagner, Secretary of Energy and Environment; Carly Cordell, Deputy Secretary of Energy and Environment; Stephen F. Baldrige, Senior Counsel; Jodi McKee, Administrative Director; Katie Lippoldt, Policy Advisor and Legislative Affairs; and Lynda Williamson, Environmental Grants Manager

**History and Function** The Office of the Secretary of Environment (OSE) was created through Amended Executive Order 2011-06 by Governor Mary Fallin in July 2013 by consolidating the former positions of the secretary of energy and secretary of environment. The office advises the governor on energy and environment policy, coordinates the state's energy and environment agencies, represents the state before federal agencies, and engages stakeholders.

**Energy Initiative Board, Oklahoma** (17 O.S. § 802.3)

## Energy Resources Board, Oklahoma

(52 O.S. § 288.3) Re-created until July 1, 2021

Agency Code 359 (IA)  
500 NE 4 Street, Suite 100, Oklahoma City 73104

[www.oerb.com](http://www.oerb.com)  
405/942-5323, 800/664-1301, FAX 405/942-3435

**Mission Statement** To educate Oklahomans about the importance of petroleum (oil and natural gas) in their lives through traditional and non-traditional school curriculum, advertising, and public relations; to environmentally restore abandoned well sites to productive land use; to promote environmentally sound production methods and technologies; and to research and provide educational activities concerning the petroleum exploration and production industry.

**Administration** Mindy Stitt, Executive Director

**History and Function** Created by the Oklahoma Legislature in 1993, the OERB is a privatized state agency funded through a voluntary one-tenth of one percent assessment on oil and natural gas, also known as the "Oklahoma Oil Check-Off." The assessment, paid for by oil and natural gas companies and royalty owners, is refundable annually between January 1 and March 31 for any contributor who does not wish to participate in the program.

OERB provides hands-on energy-related curricula for grades K-12. The OERB created "Little Bits" and "Fossils to Fuel" and "Fossils to Fuel 2" for elementary students, "Petro Active and Rockin Ratios" for middle school students, and "Core Energy" for high school students. Other student education programs include "Petroleum Professionals in the Classroom" (Petro Pros), in which industry volunteers give energy presentations in classrooms across the state, and a petroleum scholar program for students pursuing careers in the oil and natural gas industry. The agency produces television and newspaper

advertisements, and maintains a public relations campaign to help Oklahomans better understand the petroleum industry. The OERB has restored more than 17,000 abandoned and orphaned oil and natural gas exploration and production sites to productive use since 1994.

**Energy Resources, Committee for Sustaining Oklahoma's** (52 O.S. § 288.5A)

## **Engineers and Land Surveyors, State Board of Licensure for Professional** (59 O.S. § 475.1; 74 O.S. § 3905)

Agency Code 570 (IA)

www.pels.ok.gov

220 NE 28 Street, Suite 120, Oklahoma City 73105

405/521-2874, FAX 405/523-2135

E-mail—Khart@pels.ok.gov

**Mission Statement** Charged with the responsibility for safeguarding life, health, and property as affected by the practice of professional engineering and land surveying. To facilitate the prosecution of persons found in violation of established rules. Re-created until July 1, 2023.

**Administration** Kathy Hart, Executive Director

**Personnel** 9 unclassified, merit

## **Environmental Quality, Department of Board** (27A O.S. § 2-3-101)

Agency Code 292 (IA)

www.deq.ok.gov

707 N Robinson, Oklahoma City

405/702-7100, FAX 405/702-7101

PO Box 1677, Oklahoma City 73101-1677

**Administration** Scott Thompson, Executive Director; Jimmy Givens, Deputy Executive Director

Agency Chief Engineer, Saba Tahmassebi, 405/702-7100

Air Quality Division, Eddie Terrill, 405/702-4100

Environmental Complaints/Local Services, Kendal Stegmann, 405/702-6100

External Affairs Division, Lloyd Kirk, 405/702-7100

General Counsel, Rob Singletary, 405/702-7184

State Environmental Laboratory Services, Chris Armstrong, 405/702-1000

Administrative Services, Catherine Sharp, 405/702-0100

Land Protection Division, Kelly Dixon, 405/702-5100

Water Quality Division, Shellie Chard, 405/702-8100

**Mission Statement** The mission of the Oklahoma Department of Environmental Quality is to protect people through the air we breath, the water we drink, and the land on which we thrive, helping to make Oklahoma an even better place to live.

**Personnel** 460 classified, 52 unclassified, 21 temporary, merit

**Environmental Quality Board** (27A O.S. § 2-2-101) **Administration** Scott Thompson 405/702-7100

**Oklahoma Hazardous Materials Emergency Response Commission** (27A O.S. 4-2-102)

This commission is jointly administered by the Department of Environmental Quality and the Department of Civil Emergency Management.

**Air Quality Advisory Council** (27A O.S. § 2-2-201(G)) **Administration** Eddie Terrill 405/702-4100

**Hazardous Waste Management Advisory Council** (27A O.S. § 2-2-201(D)) **Administration** Kelly Dixon 405/702-5100

**Radiation Management Advisory Council** (27A O.S. § 2-2-201(F)) **Administration** Kelly Dixon 405/702-5100

**Solid Waste Management Advisory Council** (27A O.S. § 2-2-201(E)) **Administration** Kelly Dixon 405/702-5100

**Water Quality Management Advisory Council** (27A O.S. § 2-2-201(C)) **Administration** Shellie Chard 405/702-8100

## **Equalization, State Board of** (Constitution, Article 10 § 21, 68 O.S. § 2864)

State Auditor and Inspector

Agency Code 295 (IA)

2300 N Lincoln Boulevard, Room 100, Oklahoma City 73105

405/521-3495, FAX 405/522-4306

E-mail—ngrantham@sai.ok.gov

**Administration** Cindy Byrd CPA, State Auditor and Inspector, Secretary; Nancy Grantham, Administrative Assistant

**History and Function** The board consists of six elected officials and the president of the State Board of Agriculture, now an appointive office. The governor serves as chairman, with the state auditor and inspector serving as secretary. The board's functions are to adjust and equalize the valuation of real and personal property of the seventy-seven counties; assess

all railroad, air carrier, and public service corporation properties; perform such other duties as may be prescribed by the Oklahoma Legislature; and provide an estimate of revenue that will be available for appropriation by the legislature.

### **Ethics Commission** (Constitution, Article 29 § 1)

Agency Code 296 (IA)

2300 N Lincoln Boulevard, Room G-27, Oklahoma City 73105-4812

[www.ethics.ok.gov](http://www.ethics.ok.gov)

405/521-3451, FAX 405/521-4905

**Mission Statement** To promulgate rules of ethical conduct for campaigns for state office and for campaigns for initiative and referenda; to promulgate rules of ethical conduct for state officers and employees; to investigate, settle or prosecute in the district court violations of its rules and to make binding interpretations of its rules.

**Administration** Ashley Kemp, Executive Director

**Personnel** 6 unclassified, non-merit

**History and Function** Created in 1990, by a vote of the people under Article 29 of the Oklahoma Constitution, the Ethics Commission promulgates rules of ethical conduct for campaigns for elective state office and for campaigns for initiative and referenda, including civil penalties for violation of these rules; promulgates rules of ethical conduct for state officers and employees, including civil penalties for violation of these rules; investigates and, when deemed appropriate, settles investigations or prosecutes in the district court of the county where the violation occurred and responds to questions of specific individuals seeking interpretation of the commission's rules governing ethics conduct for campaigns, state officers, or state employees.

### **Fire Marshal Commission, State** (59 O.S. § 1820.6)

Agency Code 310 (IA)

2401 NW 23 Street, Suite 4, Oklahoma City 73107

Arson Hot line—800/522-8666

[www.ok.gov/fire](http://www.ok.gov/fire)

405/522-5005, FAX 405/522-5028

**Mission Statement** The Office of the Oklahoma State Fire Marshal is a state law enforcement agency charged with the task of preservation of life and property through enforcement of criminal statutes and mandated fire prevention/life safety codes. The agency will be guided by the following principles: a commitment to provide leadership in the fire service through effective communication with the Oklahoma Legislature, public officials, and citizens; a commitment to provide continual public relations and education; a commitment to interact positively with law enforcement, government agencies, and other interested professional entities; and a commitment to the improvement and the financial stability of the Office of the Oklahoma State Fire Marshal in order to provide more efficient service to the citizens of Oklahoma.

**Administration** Carl Hickman, Interim State Fire Marshal

**Personnel** 13 classified, 3 unclassified, merit

**History and Function** The State Fire Marshal's Office was originally established in 1910, but then abolished in 1957. Recognizing the need for a state fire marshal, the Oklahoma fire service voiced concerns and the office was re-established in 1965. Prior to this, fires were investigated by agents with the Oklahoma State Bureau of Investigation (OSBI) and code enforcement/plan review regulations were conducted only in cities having an established code enforcement office. In 1965 the Oklahoma Legislature established the Office of the Oklahoma State Fire Marshal and a five-member commission was appointed to oversee the agency's operations, including the hiring of the state fire marshal. The agency began its operations with the state fire marshal and only three agents. They were given statewide jurisdiction and responsibility for conducting fire investigations and building inspections. In 1970 the plans review department of the agency was formed. In 2012, by request of the fireworks industry, the fireworks licensing program of the agency was formed, licensing manufacturers, distributors, wholesalers, and outdoor display operators. In 2013 the fire extinguisher licensing program of the agency was formed, licensing companies and individuals conducting business in the fire extinguisher industry. The agency has an annual appropriated budget of approximately \$2.6 million. All field agents are sworn peace officers. Field agents are located throughout the state and office from their homes.

### **Firefighters Pension and Retirement System, Oklahoma**

(11 O.S. § 49-100.2 **Board** (11 O.S. § 49-100.3))

Agency Code 315 (IA)

405/522-4600, 800/525-7461, FAX 405/522-4643

6601 Broadway Extension, Suite 100, Oklahoma City 73116

[www.ok.gov/fprs](http://www.ok.gov/fprs)

**Mission Statement** To be responsive in administering retirement benefits to firefighters of Oklahoma; to manage the firefighters' retirement funds prudently; and to embrace the highest ethical standards with regard to these endeavors.

**Administration** Chase Rankin, Director

**Personnel** 10 unclassified

**History and Function** Governor Charles N. Haskell signed into law the first fireman's pension benefit statute May 14, 1908. The new law contained a 1 percent tax on insurance premiums to fund the pension benefits for both paid and volunteer firefighters. Oklahoma cities and towns administered the program until the Oklahoma Legislature created the current Oklahoma Firefighters Pension and Retirement System in 1980. The Oklahoma Firefighters Pension and Retirement System was created to better fund the total system and administer the system equally. The agency is vested with the power and duties specified by statutes and such other powers as may be necessary to enable it and its officers and employees to carry out fully and effectively the intent of the law to provide pension benefits to all participating firefighters in Oklahoma.

### **Food Service Advisory Council, Oklahoma** (63 O.S. § 1-106.3)

State Department of Health (IA)  
Consumer Protection Division  
405/271-5288

www.health.ok.gov  
1000 NE 10 Street, Oklahoma City 73117-1299  
Board of Health 405/271-4200

**Mission Statement** The purpose of the advisory council shall be to advise the State Board of Health, the State Commissioner of Health, and the department regarding food service establishments. The council will recommend actions to improve sanitation, consumer protection, and have the duty and authority to review and approve in an advisory capacity the rules and standards for food service establishments operating in this state. The council evaluates, reviews, and makes recommendations regarding department inspection activities, and approves quality indicators, and data submission requirements for food service establishments. The department monitors compliance with licensure requirements and publishes an annual report of food service establishment performances.

**Administration** Bill Ricks, Chair, Independent Food Service Operator with W. H. Braums Inc.

### **Forensic Center, Oklahoma**

Agency Code 452 (IA)  
PO Box 69, Vinita 74301  
918/256-7841, FAX 918/256-4491

24800 S 4420 Road, Vinita 74301

**Administration** Crystal hernnadx, Psy.D., MBA, Executive Director; Satwant Tandon, MD, Clinical Director; Scott Orth, PhD, Director of Forensic Psychology; Randy Boston, RN, Director of Nursing; Julie Jacobs, Human Resources Manager; Brad Basly, Facility Services Director; and Dana Rhodes, Finance & Budget Coordinator.

**History and Function** Formerly Eastern State Hospital, the Oklahoma Forensic Center (OFC), an inpatient forensic facility within the Oklahoma Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services (ODMHSAS), conducts outpatient evaluations of adjudicative competency, as well as competency restoration treatment services to all persons deemed incompetent to stand trial (due to mental illness) by district courts in Oklahoma counties. OFC also provides mental health treatment and evaluation for all persons deemed "not guilty by reason of insanity," by district courts in Oklahoma counties. OFC provides training to ODMHSAS forensic evaluators and professionals from other state agencies across Oklahoma and authors the Oklahoma Forensic Mental Health Services Manual.

### **Forensic Review Board** (22 O.S. § 1161)

**Members** Edward C. Cunningham, Chair; Ben Sherrer, Member; Brent Black, Member Larry Gross, Member; Joy Sloan, Member; Jan Preece Gaddis, Member; David Tiller MD, Member.

**History and Function** The Forensic Review Board is composed of seven (7) members appointed by the governor with the advice and consent of the Oklahoma Senate. The Board meets quarterly to review and determine which individuals adjudicated "not guilty by reason of insanity" and confined with the Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services are eligible for therapeutic visits, conditional release or discharge, and whether the Board wishes to make such a recommendation to the court of the county where the individual was found "not guilty by reason of insanity."

### **Funeral Board, Oklahoma** (59 O.S. § 396; 74 O.S. § 3905)

Agency Code 285 (IA)  
3700 N Classen Blvd., Suite 175, Oklahoma City 73118  
E-mail—funeral.ok.gov

www.ok.gov/funeral  
405/522-1790

**Mission Statement** The mission of the Oklahoma Funeral Board is to act in the public interest, and for the protection of the public within the powers vested in the board by the State of Oklahoma for the regulation and education of the funeral service profession.

**Administration** Chris Ferguson, Agency Director

**History and Function** Originally established in 1905 by the Legislative Assembly of the Territory of Oklahoma. The board is made up of seven members appointed by the governor. The agency provides regulatory oversight for funeral establish-

ments, commercial embalming establishments, crematories, funeral directors, embalmers, apprentices, burial associations, and burial agents. It is self-sustaining by fee collection. Recreated until July 1, 2023.

### **Geographic Information, State Office of** (82 O.S. § 1501–205.3)

Oklahoma Conservation Commission (IA)

2800 N Lincoln Boulevard, Suite 200, Oklahoma City 73105  
okmaps.org/ogi/search.aspx

405/521-2384, FAX 405/521-6686

**Administration** Mike Sharp, State Geographic Information Coordinator; mike.sharp@conservation.ok.gov

**Mission** To provide geographic information services to governments, academia, industry, and the public. The office supports the State Geographic Information Council, coordinates and promotes geographic information awareness, activities, data and training, and develops standards, policies, and operating procedures. In addition, it maintains a centralized statewide clearinghouse of accurate and timely data, facilitates data development, sharing, and access as well as fosters the values and benefits of geographic information system technology to ensure good stewardship of the state's resources.

**History and Function** Created by HB 2457 in 2004, and administratively housed in the Oklahoma Conservation Commission.

### **Geographic Information Council, State** (82 O.S. § 1501–205.1; 82 O.S. § 1501–205–3)

Oklahoma Conservation Commission (IA)

2800 N Lincoln Boulevard, Suite 200, Oklahoma City 73105  
www.okmaps.onenet.net

405/521-2384, FAX 405/521-6686

**Administration** The commission serves as chair of the council. The nineteen member council consists of state agencies, universities, and representatives from local, county, and regional governments. The council generally meets on a monthly basis to share information about developing technology and applications in the geographic information field. Contact—mike.sharp@conservation.ok.gov

**Duties and Function** Overseeing the Office of Geographic Information concerning the development, adoption, and recommendation of standards and procedures that may be applied to geographic information and geographic information systems to promote consistency of data elements and the promotion of collaboration and sharing of geographic data and data development.

### **Geographic Names, Oklahoma Board on** (70 O.S. § 3310)

Oklahoma Geological Survey

Sarkeys Energy Center, 100 E Boyd Street, Room N-131, Norman 73019-0628

405/325-3031

**Administration** Nicholas W. Hayman, Director, Oklahoma Geological Survey; Stacey Evans, Chairman, Board on Geographic Names

**History and Function** Created in Laws 1965, c.396 § 310, the responsibility to “Act as Oklahoma Board on Geographic Names” was designated to the Oklahoma Geological Survey. The board has the responsibility to cooperate with local, state, and federal agencies to establish, change, and determine the appropriate names of geographic features in Oklahoma. Decisions of the board are forwarded as recommendations to the United States Board on Geographic Names. The Oklahoma Board is a member of the Council of Geographic Name Authorities, a national association of state name authorities that promotes standardization of procedures, cooperation among all agencies, and the sharing of geographic name information.

### **Geological Survey, Oklahoma**

(Constitution, Article 5 § 38, 70 O.S. § 3310, 74 O.S. § 231)

Agency Code 325

Sarkeys Energy Center, 100 E Boyd, Room N-131, Norman 73019-0628  
405/325-3031

www.ou.edu/ogs

**Administration** Nicholas W. Hayman, Director; E-mail—hayman@ou.edu

**History and Function** In 1908, in accordance with the Oklahoma Constitution, the First Legislature created the Oklahoma Geological Survey. It is now supervised by the University of Oklahoma Board of Regents and charged with the responsibility of collecting and disseminating information about the geology, mineral, energy, and water resources of the state.

The Oklahoma Geological Survey (OGS) studies the state's geology including hydrocarbon and mineral resources, and makes this information available through publications and workshops. The OGS also examines water resources, non-fuel minerals, coal and coal bed methane resources, earthquakes, natural hazards, and other geological issues concerning the state.

The survey conducts a number of mapping programs in Oklahoma, maintains a web site, and presents programs for teachers, scouting groups, rock hound clubs, and other educational and civic organizations. These research and public service programs are conducted from main offices on the Norman campus of the University of Oklahoma. In addition, the OGS maintains a map and publication sales office at the Oklahoma Petroleum Information Center (OPIC) in Norman (2020 Industrial Boulevard). The OPIC is an important facility for research and maintains an extensive collection of petroleum information. The data includes cores, samples, well logs, scout tickets, completion reports, and related data on petroleum activity in Oklahoma. The data is available for study by researchers and the public during normal business hours.

## Grand River Dam Authority (82 O.S. § 861)

Agency Code 980  
8142 HWY412B  
PO Box 669, Chouteau 74337

www.grda.com  
918/256-5545, FAX 918/610-9891

**Administration** Dan Sullivan, President and Chief Executive Officer; Tim Brown, Chief Operating Officer; Brian Edwards, Executive Vice President, Chief of Law Enforcement; Heath Lofton, General Counsel; Lorie Gudde, Chief Financial Officer, Corporate Treasurer; Nathan Reese, Executive Vice President, External Relations; Steve Wall, Chief Information Officer; John Wiscaver, Executive Vice President, Corporate and Strategic Communications; Dr. Darrell Townsend, Vice President, Ecosystems and Lake Operations; Robert Ladd, Vice President, GREC Operations; Steve Jacoby, Vice President, Hydroelectric Projects; Mike Waddell, Vice President, Transmission and Distribution Operations; Ed Fite, Vice President, River Operations and Water Quality; Justin Alberty, Vice President, Corporate and Strategic Communications; and Laura D. Hunter, Chief Human Resources Officer.

**Personnel** 544 FTE, 71 part-time

**History and Function** The Grand River Dam Authority was created by the Fifteenth Oklahoma Legislature in 1935 to serve as a conservation and reclamation district for the waters of the Grand River. The Grand River Dam Authority Act (SB 395) established GRDA as a state agency and authorized it to build dams on the Grand River for the purposes of hydroelectric production, recreation, and flood control. Development of natural resources for Oklahoma were also responsibilities included in the act. The powers and functions of GRDA are exercised by a seven-member board of directors.

GRDA is a member of the Southwest Power Pool (SPP) Regional Transmission Organization and Regional Entity. On March 1, 2014, the SPP launched an Integrated Marketplace. Participation in the SPP market and lower gas prices saved GRDA customers significant money during 2015, and resulted in offsetting reductions in revenues as well as fuel and purchased power expenses. In the fall of 2017, GRDA's 495 MW Unit 3 combined cycle gas generation plant began operations. Located at the Grand River Energy Center (GREC, Chouteau), the unit is fueled by Oklahoma natural gas and was the first unit of its kind in operation in the Western Hemisphere. The unit was also the most efficient 60 hertz power plant in the world, at the time of its completion.

**Facilities** The Pensacola Dam hydroelectric project was completed in 1940. At 5,680 feet in length, it is one of the longest multiple-arch dams in the world. Pensacola Dam creates Grand Lake O' the Cherokees (Grand Lake) with 46,500 surface acres, a 1,300-mile shoreline, and a 66-mile channel. Six Francis-type hydroelectric turbines at Pensacola Dam's powerhouse have a total capacity of 112,000 kW. Pensacola Dam impounds 1,672,000 acre-feet of water and has a floodwater storage capacity of 540,000 acre-feet.

In 1964, GRDA completed construction on the Markham Ferry project. Also known as the Robert S. Kerr Dam, the project created Lake Hudson. This 12,000-surface-acre lake has a 200-mile shoreline and contains thirty channel miles of the Grand River in a fairly constant lake level, maintained the year round. Four Kaplan-type hydroelectric turbines at the Kerr Dam powerhouse have a total capacity of 114,000 kW, and an average water year can provide 211,000,000 kWh.

The Salina Pumped Storage Project was planned to be developed in four stages, 130,000 kW each. Two stages have been completed, the first in 1968 and the second in 1971. These two stages combine for a total capacity of 260,000 kW. The project is used for storing energy in the form of water pumped from Lake Hudson to the west. W.R. Holway Reservoir was formed by an earthen dam, which stretches 2,300 feet across the Chimney Rock Hollow southeast of Salina. The Salina Pumped Storage Project also supplies energy during peak loads and supplies emergency power to the system.

In 1976, the Oklahoma Legislature authorized bonds to be issued to construct a 490,000 kW coal-fired power generating unit (GRDA 1). Construction was begun in 1978 and completed in 1981 when the legislature authorized bonds to be issued to construct a second coal-fired generating station (GRDA 2) near Chouteau, adjacent to GRDA 1. The unit is rated at 520,000 kW. Construction began on GRDA 2 in 1981 and was completed in March 1986. Adjacent to Unit 2 is GRDA's new 490,000 kW combined cycle natural gas plant (GRDA 3), which is expected to be completed in mid-2017. The three facilities comprise the Grand River Energy Center (GREC).

In 2008 GRDA purchased 36 percent interest in the Redbud Gas Plant near Luther, Oklahoma. In recent years, GRDA has added nearly 250,000 kW of renewable wind energy. These moves further diversified the organization's generation portfolio, adding natural gas to a beneficial mixture that already included hydroelectric and coal fire generation.

In addition to these projects, GRDA operates and maintains an integrated electric transmission system including approximately 2,090 miles of line and related switching stations and transformer substations.

Pursuant to an act of the Oklahoma Legislature, effective July 1, 2016, GRDA assumed the mission of the Oklahoma Scenic Rivers Commission, which is to protect and preserve scenic rivers in their natural and free-flowing state with attention provided to enhancing scenic beauty, water conservation, fish, wildlife, and outdoor recreational values of present and future benefit to citizens of Oklahoma. There are five designated scenic rivers areas: (1) Flint Creek and Illinois River above the confluence of the Barren Fork Creek in Cherokee, Adair, and Delaware counties; (2) Barren Fork Creek in Adair and Cherokee counties from present alignment of US Highway 59 west to the Illinois River; (3) Upper Mountain Fork River above the 600-foot elevation of Broken Bow Reservoir in McCurtain and LeFlore counties; (4) Big Lee Creek above the 420-foot elevation in Sequoyah County; and (5) Little Lee Creek in Adair and Sequoyah counties.

## Hazard Mitigation Team, State (63 O.S. § 683.6)

Oklahoma Department of Emergency Management (IA)  
Tunnel, Will Rogers-Sequoyah Buildings  
Duty officer on 24-hour call

PO Box 53365, Oklahoma City 73152  
405/521-2481, FAX 405/521-4053

## Health, State Department of (63 O.S. § 1-105) Board (Constitution, Article 5 § 39, 63 O.S. § 1-103)

Agency Code 340 (IA)

[www.health.ok.gov](http://www.health.ok.gov)

1000 NE 10 Street, Oklahoma City 73117-1299

405/271-4200, 800/522-0203, FAX 405/271-3431

AIDS/HIV Hot line 800/535-AIDS

Birth Certificates 405/271-4040

Home Health (Medicare) Hotline 800/234-7258

Newborn Hearing Screening 800/766-2223

Nurse Aide Registry 800/695-2157

Women, Infants, and Children (WIC) 888/OKLA-WIC

**Mission Statement** To protect and promote health, to prevent disease and injury, and to cultivate conditions by which Oklahomans can be healthy.

**Administration** Lance Frye, MD, Commissioner; Kim Bailey, Chief Operating Officer and Legal Counsel; Jackie Shawnee, Chief Communications Officer; Jennifer Lepard, Chief Administrative Officer; Diana O'Neil, Chief Financial Officer; Travis Kirkpatrick, Deputy Commissioner Prevention and Preparedness; Keith Reed, Deputy Commissioner, Community Health Services; Rock McElvany, Special Advisor; Jared Taylor, Interim State Epidemiologist; Buffy Heater, Chief Data, Public Policy and Health Promotion Officer; Kristin Davis, Communications Director; Rosangela Miguel, Human Resources Director; and Kathie Darr, Administrator of Government Relations.

**Personnel** 1078classified, 794 unclassified, 142 temporary

**History and Function** For more than one hundred years—first as the Territorial Board of Health, then following statehood, as the Oklahoma State Department of Health—the people of Oklahoma have entrusted the Oklahoma State Department of Health to be this state's prudent steward of public health.

Public health service in Oklahoma was signed into law Christmas Day, 1890, by Governor George Washington Steele, who immediately appointed a superintendent of health. After statehood in 1907, the Oklahoma Legislature created the State Board of Health under a commissioner appointed by the governor. In 1917 the legislature placed control of all public water supplies and sewer systems under the Board of Health.

Today, the Commissioner of Health is appointed by the governor with the advice and consent of the Oklahoma Senate. The commissioner serves at the pleasure of the governor and coordinates activities of the agency with the federal government and other agencies, and directs activities of county health departments.

Each county health department has a board of health. Through this system of local health services delivery, the OSDH protects and improves the health status of Oklahoma communities through strategies that focus on preventing disease and promoting health. Seventy counties operate health departments. Of those seventy counties, Oklahoma and Tulsa counties are served by autonomous city-county health departments, which enforce and administer state department rules and are administratively different.

The State Board of Health is also appointed by the governor with Oklahoma Senate confirmation and has nine members who serve nine-year terms. The board changed to an advisory board in 2019, and advises the commissioner of health and the department on public health issues that affect the state.

### Advisory Bodies to State Board and State Department of Health

Advancement of Wellness Advisory Council (63 O.S. § 1-103a.1)

Catastrophic Health Emergency Planning Task Force, Oklahoma (63 O.S. § 6105)

Consumer Protection Licensing Advisory Council (63 O.S. § 1-103a.1)  
Food Service Advisory Council, Oklahoma (63 O.S. § 1-106.3)  
Health Care Information Advisory Committee (63 O.S. § 1-122)  
Home Care, Hospice and Palliative Care Advisory Council (63 O.S. § 1-103a.1)  
Hospital Advisory Council, Oklahoma (63 O.S. § 1-701)  
Infant and Children’s Health Advisory Council (63 O.S. § 1-103a.1)  
Long-Term Care Facility Advisory Board (63 O.S. § 1-1923)  
Medical Marijuana Food Safety Standards Board (63 O.S. § 423 (D))  
Midwife Advisory Council—effective November 1, 2020, SB 1823,2020  
Sanitarian & Environmental Specialist Registration Advisory Council (59 O.S. § 1150.5)  
Trauma and Emergency Response Advisory Council (63 O.S. § 1-103a.1)

### **Health Care Authority, Oklahoma** (63 O.S. § 5006)

Agency Code 807 (IA) www.okhca.org  
4345 N Lincoln, Oklahoma City 73105 405/522-7300, FAX 405/522-7100

**Mission Statement** To responsibly purchase state and federally-funded health care in the most efficient and comprehensive manner possible; to analyze and recommend strategies for optimizing the accessibility and quality of health care; and to cultivate relationships to improve the health outcomes of Oklahomans.

**Administration** Kevin Corbett, CEO

**Personnel** 487.75 unclassified, 20 grant, 7 temporary

**Health Information Infrastructure Advisory Board** (63 O.S. § 1-131)

**Hospital Advisory Committee** (63 O.S. § 3241.2)

**Medicaid Drug Utilization Review Board** (63 O.S. § 5030.1)

**Nursing Facility Funding Advisory Committee, Oklahoma** (63 O.S. § 1-1925.2)

**Public Assistance Recipients, Advisory Committee on Medical Care for** (63 O.S. § 5009.2)

### **Health Care Authority Board, Oklahoma** (63 O.S. § 5007)

4345 N Lincoln, Oklahoma City 73105 405/522-7417, FAX 405/530-3389

**Administration** Martina Ordonez, Board Secretary

### **Health Care Workforce Resources Board** (74 O.S. § 3200.2)

www.okhealthcareworkforce.com

### **Healthy and Fit School Advisory Committee** (70 O.S. § 24-100A)

Calls for the establishment of Healthy and Fit School Advisory Committee in each public school.

### **Highway Construction Materials Technician Certification Board** (69 O.S. § 1953)

Department of Transportation Training Center www.oktechcert.org  
1812 West Tyler Avenue, Stillwater 74078 405/744-2693

### **Historic Preservation Review Committee, Oklahoma** (53 O.S. § 353)

Agency Code 350 (IA) 405/521-6249  
800 Nazih Zuhdi Drive, Oklahoma City 73105-7917

**Mission Statement** To provide advice to the Historic Preservation Officer

**Administration** Bob L. Blackburn, State Historic Preservation Officer; Lynda Ozan, Deputy State Historic Preservation Officer

**History and Function** Established in 1969 as a part of the State of Oklahoma’s participation in the newly created federal preservation programs, the committee membership is composed of citizen members as well as professionals in the areas of history, architecture, architectural history, historic archeology, and prehistoric archeology. The committee provides comments to the state historic preservation officer about proposed nominations to the National Register of Historic Places

and other preservation issues as appropriate. Additionally, the committee comments on nominations to the State Register of Historic Places.

## Historical Society, Oklahoma (53 O.S. § 1.2) Board (53 O.S. § 1.6)

Agency Code 350 (IA)

www.okhistory.org

800 Nazih Zuhdi Drive, Oklahoma City 73105-7917

405/521-2491, FAX 405/521-2492

**Mission Statement** The mission of the Oklahoma Historical Society is to collect, preserve, and share the history and culture of Oklahoma and its people.

### Administration

Bob L. Blackburn, PhD, Executive Director & State Historic Preservation Officer 405/522-5202

Terry Howard, Deputy Executive Director, 405/522-5299

Kathy Dickson, Museum & Sites Director, 405/522-5231

Lynda Ozan, Deputy State Historic Preservation Officer, 405/521-6249

Nicole Harvey, Executive Secretary, 405/522-5202

Dan Provo, Director, Oklahoma Museum of History, 405/522-5380

Chad Williams, Research Division Director, 405/522-5207

Larry O'Dell, Development Director, 405/522-6676

Elizabeth Bass, Director of Publications, 405/522-4860

**Personnel** 92 classified, 21 unclassified, 59 temporary

**History and Function** The Oklahoma Historical Society, both a state agency and a private membership organization, is dedicated to the preservation and perpetuation of Oklahoma's history. Founded in May 1893 by the Oklahoma Territorial Press Association, it was declared an agency of the territorial government in 1895. The Oklahoma Historical Society Board of Directors consists of twenty-five members, twelve of whom are appointed by the governor and thirteen elected by the society membership for three-year terms. Members of the board are appointed and elected by congressional district to help ensure statewide representation.

The central offices; the State Museum; extensive collections of books, manuscripts, newspapers, photographs, genealogical, and other historical research materials, maintained in the Research Division, are housed in the Oklahoma History Center. The *Chronicles of Oklahoma* and *Mistletoe Leaves* are both published by the society.

**African American Centennial Plaza Design Committee** (74 O.S. § 8403)

**Tribal Relations** (53 O.S. § 1.4A)

**Will Rogers Memorial Commission** (53 O.S. § 47)

## Homeland Security, Oklahoma Office of (74 O.S. § 51.1)

PO Box 11415, Oklahoma City 73136-0415

405/425-7296, FAX 405/425-7295

www.homelandsecurity.ok.gov

E-mail—info@okohs.ok.gov

**Mission Statement** To develop and coordinate the implementation of a comprehensive statewide strategy to secure the state of Oklahoma from the results of terrorism, from natural disasters, cyberterrorism, from weapons of mass destruction, and perform other duties assigned to it by the governor.

**Administration** Vacant, Director

**History and Function** Recognizing the need for coordinated preparedness and security efforts after 9/11, the Oklahoma Legislature passed Senate Joint Resolution 42 in February 2002 and the Office of Interim Oklahoma Homeland Security Director was created. A staff was assembled and the Oklahoma Office of Homeland Security (OKOHS) began focusing on homeland security efforts within the state. In January 2004 Governor Brad Henry sent a letter to the US Department of Homeland Security designating OKOHS as the State Administering Agency (SAA) for homeland security grant programs in Oklahoma. The Oklahoma Legislature passed and the governor signed the Oklahoma Homeland Security Act (HB 2280) in May 2004 and OKOHS was established in Oklahoma statute.

The Oklahoma Homeland Security Act of 2004 outlined OKOHS's strategic objectives which include: 1) prevent a terrorist attack in Oklahoma; 2) reduce Oklahoma's vulnerability to terrorist attacks; and 3) minimize the damage from and respond to a terrorist attack should one occur. The duties of the office include developing and implementing a comprehensive statewide homeland security strategy; planning and implementing a statewide response system; administering the homeland security advisory system; coordinating, applying for and distributing federal homeland security grant funds; and implementing homeland security plans. In January 2019, Governor Kevin Stitt appointed Kim Edd Carter as director of OKOHS.

**Information Fusion Center Governance Board, Oklahoma** (Executive Order 2007-41; Executive Order 2011-39)

**Homeland Security, Regional Planning and Coordination Advisory Councils for** (74 O.S. § 51.3)

**Oklahoma School Security Institute** (74 O.S. § 51.2d)

## Horse Racing Commission, Oklahoma (3A O.S. § 201)

Agency Code 353 (IA)

2800 N Lincoln Blvd., Suite 220, Oklahoma City 73105  
405/943-6472, FAX 405/943-6474

www.ohrc.org

**Mission Statement** The Oklahoma Horse Racing Commission encourages agriculture, the breeding of horses, the growth, sustenance, and development of live racing, and generates public revenue through the forceful control, regulation, implementation, and enforcement of commissioned-licensed racing and gaming.

**Administration** Kelly Cathey, Executive Director; Shonna Gore, Director of Operations; Gerald “Shawn” Richmond, Budget and Finance Manager; Pete Markstone, Director of Law Enforcement; Nicole Mukes, Assistant to the Administrator; Lisa Hanson, Licensing Supervisor; Krista Smith, Oklahoma-Bred Claims Manager; Linda Earley, Oklahoma-Bred Registrar; and Shilah Arnold, Oklahoma-Bred Inspector.

**History and Function** State Question 553 (Initiative Petition 315), adopted at an election held September 21, 1982, authorized the pari-mutuel system of wagering on horse races in Oklahoma. The Oklahoma Horse Racing Act, Title 3A, Chapter 2 of the Oklahoma Statutes, was enacted with an emergency provision and became effective March 22, 1983. The function of the agency is to regulate state-sanctioned horse racing. State Question 712, adopted by an election held on November 2, 2004, authorized the State-Tribal Gaming Act. The act allows commission-licensed racing facilities that meet statutory criteria to have authorized gaming within the enclosure of the racetrack.

**Personnel** 35 FTE unclassified, non-merit

**Oklahoma Breeding Program** (3A O.S. § 208.3–208.3a)

**State-Tribal Gaming Act** (3A O.S. § 261–282)

## Hospitals Authority, University (63 O.S. § 3207)

Agency Code 825

PO Box 26307, Oklahoma City 73126

Children’s Hospital of Oklahoma, Nicholson Tower, Room 6N6900

405/271-4962, FAX 405/271-1301

**Mission Statement** The purposes of the University Hospitals Authority are to provide for an effective and efficient administration, to ensure a dependable source of funding, and to effectuate the mission of the authority. The mission of the authority is to provide state oversight to the Joint Operating Agreement (JOA) with HCA Health Services of Oklahoma, and to contract with the venture from state appropriated dollars for the services of indigent care for the people of Oklahoma. The mission of the JOA is to assure the continuation of the university as a patient care, education, and research organization for Oklahoma. The principal purpose of the University Hospitals Trust is to effectuate the purposes of the authority as established in the University Hospitals Authority Act.

The authority and trust are officially scheduled to meet the third Thursday of the month and meet at least quarterly at 8:30 AM and 8:45 AM, respectively. The authority is composed of six members as follows: one member shall be appointed by the governor, with the advice and consent of the Oklahoma Senate; one member shall be appointed by the President Pro Tempore of the Senate; one member shall be appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives; one member shall be the director of the Oklahoma Health Care Authority or his/her designee; one member shall be the provost of the University of Oklahoma Health Sciences Center; and the executive director of the University Hospitals Authority who shall be an ex officio, non-voting member. The trustees of the trust are the acting members of the authority as provided in the University Hospitals Authority Act.

**Administration** Randy Dowell, Chief Executive Officer; Dorynda Dusek, Assistant to CEO

## Human Services, Department of (Constitution, Article 25 § 2; 56 O.S. § 162.1)

Agency Code 830 (IA)

Sequoyah Building, 2400 N Lincoln Boulevard, PO Box 25352, Oklahoma City 73125  
405/521-3646, FAX 405/521-6458

www.okdhs.org

**Mission Statement** The Oklahoma Department of Human Services (DHS) improves the quality of life of vulnerable Oklahomans by increasing people’s ability to lead safer, healthier, more independent and productive lives.

**Vision** DHS provides help and offers hope to vulnerable Oklahomans through stronger practices, involved communities and a caring and engaged workforce.

**Values** DHS values are compassion, respect, safety, quality, and innovation.

**Administration** Justin Brown, Director of Human Services, 405/521-3646  
Chief of Staff, Samantha Galloway, 405/521-3646

Adult and Family Services, Patrick Klein, Director, Patrick.Klein@okdhs.org  
 Adult Services, Kristi Blackburn, Senior Director, Kristi.Blackburn@okdhs.org  
 Adult Protective Services, Jeromy Buchanan, Director, Jeromy.Buchanan@okdhs.org  
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 Chief Technology Officer, Dustin Crossfield, dustin.crossfield@okdhs.org  
 Deputy Chief of Strategic Management, Keili McEwen, Keili.McEwen@okdhs.org  
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 Child Services, Jennifer King, Senior Director, Jennifer.King@okdhs.org  
 Child Support Services, Renee Banks, Director, Renee.Banks@okdhs.org  
 Child Welfare Services, Deb Shropshire, Director, Deb.Shropshire@okdhs.org  
 Children Advocacy, Office of, John Dewey, Director, John.Dewey@okdhs.org  
 Developmental Disabilities Council, Ann Trudgeon, Ann.Trudgeon@okdhs.org  
 Developmental Disabilities Services, Beth Scrutchins, Director, Beth.Scrutchins@okdhs.org  
 Human Resource Management, Kim Houck, Director, Kim.Houck@okdhs.org  
 Information & Referral, Office of, Cynthia Kinkade, Coordinator, 405/521-3646 or Cynthia.Kinkade@okdhs.org  
 Inspector General, Office of, Tony Bryan, Inspector General, 405/522-5880  
 Intergovernmental Relations & Policy and Client Advocacy, Leah Maloy, Administrator, Leah.Maloy@okdhs.org  
 Legal Services, Ron Baze, General Counsel, 405/522-3535  
 Office of Community and Faith Engagement, Karen Jacobs, Coordinator, 405/522-2528  
 Support Services, Shawn Franks, Director, Shawn.Franks@okdhs.org

**History and Function** Oklahoma voters created what is now the Department of Human Services in the Great Depression year of 1936. By a two-to-one margin, voters approved a state constitutional amendment “to provide ... for the relief and care of needy aged ... and other needy persons.” Voters also approved a 1 percent sales tax for use by the Welfare Department. The amount was increased to 2 percent by the 1937 Oklahoma Legislature. In the 1950s, the agency’s responsibilities were expanded, and, in 1980, its name was changed by the legislature. Today, DHS has offices in each of the seventy-seven counties.

**Developmental or Physical Disabilities Advisory Board, Group Homes for Persons with**

(10 O.S. § 1430.4; 74 O.S. § 3905) Recreated until July 1, 2020

**Disability Services Rate Review Committee, Advantage Waiver and Developmental** (10 O.S. § 1430.42)

**Guardian, Office of Public** (30 O.S. 6–101)

**Pharmacy Connection Council, Oklahoma** (56 O.S. § 1010.23)

**Self-Directed Services Program Committee** (56 O.S. § 198.16; HB 2777, 2010) Created until four years after implementation of programs.

**Volunteer Service Credit Bank Program** (56 O.S. § 703)

**Incentive Approval Committee** (68 O.S. § 3603)

Oklahoma Department of Commerce (IA)

[www.okcommerce.gov](http://www.okcommerce.gov)

Quality Jobs Program, 900 N Stiles, Oklahoma City 73104-3234

405/815-6552, 800/879-6552, FAX 405/605-2869

Administration Richard Schwalbach 405/815-5269

**Independent Living Council, Oklahoma Statewide** (29 U.S.C. 796d)

3535 NW 58 Street, Suite 480, Oklahoma City 73112

[www.okdrs.org/guide/statewide-independent-living-council-oklahoma-silc](http://www.okdrs.org/guide/statewide-independent-living-council-oklahoma-silc)

405/951-3581, FAX 405/951-3504

E-mail—[smadden@oksilc.org](mailto:smadden@oksilc.org)

Administration Sidna Madden, Executive Director

**Mission Statement** To provide leadership in guiding the state’s planning process for independent living services so that needed services are available statewide.

**Indigent Defense System, Oklahoma** (22 O.S. § 1355) **Board** (22 O.S. § 1355.1)

Agency Code 047

[www.oids.ok.gov](http://www.oids.ok.gov)

PO Box 926, Norman 73070

405/801-2601, FAX 405/801-2649

**Mission Statement** To provide indigents with legal representation comparable to that obtainable by those who can afford counsel and to do so in the most cost-effective manner possible. The Oklahoma Indigent Defense System is responsible for implementing the Indigent Defense Act by providing trial, appellate, and post-conviction criminal defense services to persons judicially determined to be entitled to legal counsel at state expense.

**Administration** W. Craig Sutter, Executive Director; Angie Cole, Deputy Executive Director

**Personnel** 107 unclassified, non-merit

## Individual Health Insurance Market Stabilization Program, Board of Directors of the Oklahoma (36 O.S. § 6530.4)

### Insurance Department (Constitution, Article 6 § 22; 36 O.S. § 301)

Agency Code 125 (IA)

[www.ok.gov/oid](http://www.ok.gov/oid)

3625 NW 56 Street, Suite 100, Oklahoma City 73112

405/521-2828, 800/522-0071, FAX 405/521-6635

Effective, October 15, 2019, 400 NE 50 Street, Oklahoma City 73105-1816

Tulsa Office—7645 E 63 Street, Suite 102, Tulsa 74133

918/295-3700, FAX 918/994-7916

Office Hours: 8 AM to 5 PM, Monday-Friday

Email—[firstname.lastname@oid.ok.gov](mailto:firstname.lastname@oid.ok.gov)

**Mission Statement** To protect and enhance the financial security of Oklahoma and Oklahomans.

**Administration** Glen Mulready, Insurance Commissioner, 405/522-0891, [glen.mulready@oid.ok.gov](mailto:glen.mulready@oid.ok.gov)

Karlita Manger, Executive Assistant to the Commissioner, 405/522-0891, [karlina.manger@oid.ok.gov](mailto:karlina.manger@oid.ok.gov)

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Ray Walker, Director, Medicare Assistance Program, 405/521-6632, [ray.walker@oid.ok.gov](mailto:ray.walker@oid.ok.gov)

**Personnel** 120 unclassified, non-merit

**History and Function** The Oklahoma Insurance Commissioner is the chief executive officer of the Oklahoma Insurance Department and regulates the many facets of the insurance industry. Both the commissioner and the department was created by the Oklahoma Constitution and are responsible for the regulation of bail bondsmen, real estate appraisers, companies, producers, adjusters, and other individual and entity licensees related to the insurance industry.

**Insurance Commissioner** (Constitution, Article 6 § 23, 36 O.S. § 302)

**Advisory Board** (36 O.S. § 6221)

**Bail Bondsmen** (59 O.S. § 1301)

**Fraud Unit, Anti-** (36 O.S. § 361)

**Health Care for the Uninsured Board** (36 O.S. § 4602)

**Health Insurance High Risk Pool Board** (36 O.S. § 6535)

**Health Reinsurance Program Board, Oklahoma Small Employer** (36 O.S. § 6522)

**Real Estate Appraiser Board** (59 O.S. Article VII § 858-700)

## Investigation, Oklahoma State Bureau of (OSBI) (74 O.S. § 150.1)

### Commission (74 O.S. § 150.3)

Agency Code 308 (IA)

[www.osbi.ok.gov](http://www.osbi.ok.gov)

6600 N Harvey, Oklahoma City 73116

405/848-6724 (24 Hours), 800/522-8017, FAX 405/843-3804

**Mission Statement** The OSBI exists to protect citizens and support public safety partners by providing Oklahoma's premiere investigative, intelligence, information, and forensic services.

**Administration** Ricky Adams, Director; Bryan Rizzi, Assistant Director; Andrea Fielding, Division Director, Criminalistics Services; Debbie McKinney, Division Director, Information Services; Richard Smothermon, Chief Legal Counsel

**Personnel** 259 classified, 45 unclassified, 14 temporary

**History and Function** The OSBI was created by statute in 1925. On July 1, 1976, the agency, by law, was removed from the Governor's Office and placed under the newly created OSBI Commission, whose members are appointed by the governor and confirmed by the Oklahoma Senate. The OSBI is the general investigative agency of Oklahoma and provides services in support of law enforcement throughout the state. Its statutory duties are to: (1) Maintain a nationally accredited scientific laboratory to assist all law enforcement agencies in the discovery and detection of criminal activity; (2) Maintain fingerprint and other identification files including criminal history records, juvenile identification files, and DNA files; (3) Establish, coordinate, and maintain the automated fingerprinting identification system (AFIS) and the deoxyribonucleic acid (DNA) laboratory; (4) Operate teletype, mobile and fixed radio or other communication systems; (5) Conduct schools and training programs for the agents, peace officers, and technicians of the state charged with the enforcement of law and order and the investigation and detection of crime; (6) Assist the director of the Oklahoma Statue Bureau of Narcotics and Dangerous Drugs Control, the chief medical examiner, and all law enforcement officers and district attorneys when such assistance is requested, in accordance with the policy determined by the OSBI Commission established in section 150.3 of this title; (7) Investigate and detect criminal activity when directed to do so by the governor; (8) Investigate, detect, institute, and maintain actions involving vehicle theft pursuant to sections 152.2 through 152.9 of this title; (9) Investigate any criminal threat made to the physical safety of elected or appointed officials of this state or any political subdivision of the state and forward the results of that investigation to the Department of Public Safety, and provide security to foreign elected or appointed officials while they are in this state on official business; (10) Investigate and detect violations of the Oklahoma Computer Crimes Acts; and (11) Investigate and enforce all laws relating to any crime listed as an exception to the definition of "nonviolent offense" as set forth in section 571 of Title 57 of the Oklahoma Statutes that occur on the turnpikes.

**Child Abuse Response Team** (74 O.S. § 150.38)

**Criminal Justice Resource Center** (22 O.S. § 1517)

**Criminal Justice Statistics, Office of** (74 O.S. § 150.17a)

**Information Fusion Center, Oklahoma** (Executive Order 2007-41; Executive Order 2011-39)

**Internet Crimes Against Children** (74 O.S. § 151.1)

## **Jazz Hall of Fame Board of Directors, Oklahoma** (74 O.S. § 1910)

5 South Boston Avenue, Tulsa 74103  
E-mail—info@okjazz.org

www.okjazz.org  
918/928-5299, FAX 918/948-7737

## **Judicial Compensation, Board of** (20 O.S. § 3.2)

**Mission Statement** The board recommends and establishes compensation for members of the state judiciary, unless such compensation is rejected or amended by law passed by the legislature, or vetoed by the governor. The board is composed of seven members; two appointed by the President Pro Tempore of the Senate; two members appointed by the Speaker of the House; two appointed by the Governor; and one appointed by the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court.

## **Judicial Complaints, Council on** (20 O.S. § 1652)

Agency Code 678 (1A)  
405/522-4800, FAX 405/522-4752  
cojc.ok.gov

1901 N Lincoln Boulevard, Oklahoma City 73105  
E-mail—taylor.henderson@cojc.ok.gov

**Mission Statement** To efficiently and impartially investigate complaints regarding the conduct of persons holding judicial positions and to determine if such complaints should be the subjects of an action before the Court on the Judiciary, the Oklahoma Supreme Court, or should be dismissed.

**Administration** Taylor Henderson, Director; Terry West, General Counsel; Nicole Bell, Member; Jerry Franklin, Vice Chair; Cathy Christensen, Chair

## **Judicial Nominating Commission** (Constitution, Article 7B § 3)

2100 N Lincoln Blvd. Suite 3, Oklahoma City 73105

405/556-9300

**History and Function** Established as part of the Judicial Department, the commission consists of fifteen members. Six members are appointed by the governor, one from each congressional district as they existed in 1967, six members are elected from and by the membership of the Oklahoma Bar Association; one member-at-large who shall not have been

admitted to the practice of law in any state, to be selected by no fewer than eight members of the commission; one member by the Speaker of the House; and one member by the President Pro Tempore of the Oklahoma Senate. The commission has the jurisdiction to determine whether the qualifications of nominees to hold judicial office have been met and to determine the existence of vacancies on the commission.

## Juvenile Affairs, Office of (10A O.S. § 2-7-202) Board (10A O.S. § 2-7-101)

Agency Code 400 (IA)

3812 N Santa Fe, Suite 400, Oklahoma City 73118  
405/530-2800, FAX 405/530-2893

[www.ok.gov/oja](http://www.ok.gov/oja)

PO Box 268812, Oklahoma City 73126-8812

**Administration** Rachel Canuso Holt, Interim Executive Director; Audrey Rockwell, Secretary, Board of Juvenile Affairs 405/530-2806

**Personnel** 600 classified, 105 unclassified, 16 temporary

**History and Function** In 1994, the Oklahoma Legislature passed the Juvenile Reform Act creating the Office of Juvenile Affairs (OJA) as the state juvenile justice agency, and the Board of Juvenile Affairs. This legislation also created the Youthful Offender Act to better ensure the public safety by holding youths fifteen through seventeen years-of-age accountable for the commission of serious crimes, while affording courts methods of rehabilitation for those youths the courts determine, at their discretion, may be amenable to such methods in the custody or under the supervision of the OJA.

The **Board of Juvenile Affairs** is comprised of nine members: five members appointed by the governor; two members appointed by the Oklahoma Speaker of the House of Representatives; and two members appointed by the President Pro Tempore of the Oklahoma Senate. Members shall include persons having experience in social work, juvenile justice, criminal justice, community-based youth services, criminal-justice-related behavioral sciences, indigent defense, and education. In making the appointments, the governor shall also give consideration to urban, rural, gender, and minority representation. The board typically meets in regular session once per month on the second Tuesday.

**Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention, State Advisory Group on** (42 U.S.C. 5633, 28 C.F.R. 31.302)

3812 N Santa Fe, Suite 400, Oklahoma City 73118  
405/530-2928, FAX 405/530-2913

**Mission Statement** The Oklahoma State Advisory Group (SAG) advises the Oklahoma Office of Juvenile Affairs, the Board of Juvenile Affairs, the governor, and the Oklahoma Legislature on best practices for youth at-risk or involved in the juvenile justice system. The SAG administers federal funds through the Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Act as reauthorized in the 2018 Juvenile Justice Reform Act. The SAG advises on innovative solutions designed to promote health development that prevents and reduces future crime for at-risk youth.

**Administration** Laura Broyles, Federal Grant Administrator, 405/530-2928, FAX 405/530-2913

**History and Function** The Office of Juvenile Affairs is the state agency responsible for the oversight of this office. The OJA will insure federal funds made available are properly dispersed to qualified applicants.

**Juvenile Supervision, State Council for Interstate** (10A O.S. § 2-9-116)

**Mission Statement** The State Council for Interstate Juvenile Supervision shall advise and may exercise oversight and advocacy concerning the participation of Oklahoma in Interstate Commission activities and other duties including, but not limited to, development of policy concerning operations and procedures of the Interstate Compact for Juveniles in this state.

**Administration** Audrey Rockwell, Secretary, 405/530-2806

**History and Function** The Office of Juvenile Affairs shall provide staff assistance to the State Council for Interstate Juvenile Supervision as necessary to assist the state council in the performance of its duties. The State Council of Interstate Juvenile Supervision shall consist of eleven (11) members as follows: one member shall be the compact administrator of the Interstate Compact for Juveniles; two members shall be presiding judges of a court having juvenile law jurisdiction to be appointed by the president of the Oklahoma Judicial Conference; one member who is an employee of the Office of Juvenile Affairs to be appointed by the executive director of the Office of Juvenile Affairs; one member who is an employee of the Department of Human Services appointed by the director of the Department of Human Services; one member of the Oklahoma House of Representatives to be appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives; one member of the Oklahoma State Senate to be appointed by the President Pro Tempore of the Oklahoma Senate; one member representing an Oklahoma nonprofit victims organization to be appointed by the President Pro Tempore of the Oklahoma Senate; one member who is a district attorney or assistant district attorney who has experience in juvenile cases to be appointed by the executive coordinator of the District Attorneys Council; one member who is a licensed, practicing attorney who regularly represents juveniles charged with crimes or delinquent acts to be appointed by the executive director of the Oklahoma Bar Association; and one member representing an Oklahoma nonprofit youth services organization to be appointed by the Oklahoma Speaker of the House of Representatives. The state council shall meet annually and may meet quarterly and at such other times as may be set by the compact administrator.

**Santa Claus Commission** (10 O.S. § 361)

3812 N Santa Fe, Oklahoma City 73118

Agency Code 621

405/530-2800, FAX 405/530-2890

**History and Function** Created in 1937 for the purpose of purchasing Christmas presents for eligible youth in state custody who are in state-supported facilities. The SCC solicits private donations. Since 1996, the commission is supervised by the Office of Juvenile Affairs.

**Labor, Department of** (Constitution, Article 6 § 20; 40 O.S. § 1)

Agency Code 405 (IA)

www.labor.ok.gov

OKC Office: 3017 N Stiles, Oklahoma City 73105

405/521-6100, FAX 405/521-6018

Toll-free 888/269-5353

E-mail—labor.commissioner@labor.ok.gov

**Mission Statement** To help ensure fairness, equity, and safety in Oklahoma workplaces through ethical behavior, conscientious guidance, and loyal service to Oklahoma's employers and employees.

**Administration** Leslie Osborn, Commissioner of Labor; Don Schooler, General Counsel and Chief of Staff

**Personnel** 47 classified, 26 unclassified

**History and Function** The commissioner of labor is a constitutional office defined by Article VI Section 20. The department is responsible for administration and enforcement of minimum wage; child labor laws; investigation and mediation of unpaid wages; inspection of welded steam lines, boiler and pressure vessels, elevators (other than Oklahoma City), amusement and water rides, and water heaters in public facilities; certification of welders and weld-testing laboratories; regulation and certification of asbestos workers; enforcement of occupational safety and health for public employees; regulation and licensing of workers and business in the alarm, locksmith, and fire sprinkler industry; regulation and licensing of workers and businesses in the alternative fuels industry including compressed natural gas fill stations; and land consultation with private employers on occupational safety and health.

**Alarm and Locksmith Industry Committee** (59 O.S. § 1800.4)

**Alternative Fuels Technician Certification** (40 O.S. § 142.1)

**Elevator Inspection Bureau** (59 O.S. § 3023)

**Land Office, Commissioners of the** (Constitution, Article 6, § 32; 64 O.S. § 1)

Agency Code 410 (IA)

www.clo.ok.gov

204 N Robinson, Suite 900, Oklahoma City 73102

405/521-4000, 888/355-2637, FAX 405/521-4444

**Administration** Vacant, Secretary; Keith Kuhlman, Assistant Secretary; Jessica Grogis, Director of Communications; Erin Morgan, Internal Auditor; Karen Johnson, Chief Financial Officer; Ed Reyes, Director of Information Systems; Bennett Abbot, General Counsel; Dan Whitmarsh, Director, Minerals Management Division; Floyd Evans, Director, Real Estate Management Division; Steve Diffe, Director, Royalty Compliance Division; and Katy Janz, Executive Secretary and Human Resources

**Commissioners** Kevin Stitt, Governor; Matt Pinnell, Lieutenant Governor; Cindy Byrd, State Auditor and Inspector; Joy Hofmeister, Superintendent of Public Instruction; and Blayne Arthur, President, State Board of Agriculture

**History and Function** The Commissioners of the Land Office, a constitutional agency, was created to manage and control lands and funds granted to the state under the provisions of the Enabling Act. The act, passed by the U.S. Congress in June 1906, gave to the state certain lands and funds for the support of schools and charged the commission with the sale, rental, disposal, and management of the lands as well as the trust funds and proceeds derived.

**Personnel** 27 classified, 34 unclassified

**Langston University—Oklahoma City and Langston University—Tulsa, Board of Trustees for** (70 O.S. § 3431)**Law Enforcement Education and Training, Council on (CLEET)** (70 O.S. § 3311)

Agency Code 415 (IA)

www.ok.gov/cleet/

2401 Egypt Road, Ada, Oklahoma, 74820-0669

405/239-5100

**Mission Statement** To provide the citizens of Oklahoma with peace officers who are trained to be professional, ethical, conscientious, sensitive to needs of the public, knowledgeable, and competent in identified learning objectives; and to protect the public by regulating private security in the State of Oklahoma through education and licensing requirements, and to ensure licensees practice within the provision of law.

**Administration** Jesus E. Campa, Executive Director

**Personnel** 40 unclassified, non-merit

**History and Function** Established in 1963, the Council on Law Enforcement Education and Training is the governing body for the training and education of peace officers who must receive a minimum of 583 hours of basic law enforcement academy instruction. In 1987 CLEET assumed the responsibility for licensing security guards and private investigators, pursuant to the Oklahoma Security Guard and Private Investigators Act. In 2013 CLEET assumed the responsibility for licensing bail enforcers, pursuant to the Oklahoma Bail Enforcement and Licensing Act.

**Advisory Council** (70 O.S. § 3311 B1)

**Bomb Dog Advisory Council** (70 O.S. § 3311 L2)

**Curriculum Review Board** (70 O.S. § 3311 B16)

**Drug Dog Advisory Council** (70 O.S. § 3311 K2)

**Polygraph Board** (59 O.S. § 1455)

**Private Security Advisory Committee** (59 O.S. § 1750.3)

## **Law Enforcement Retirement System, Oklahoma (47 O.S. § 2–301) Board (47 O.S. § 2–303)**

Agency Code 416 (IA)

[www.olders.state.ok.us](http://www.olders.state.ok.us)

421 NW 13 Street, Suite 100, Oklahoma City, 73103

405/522-4931, 877/213-0856, FAX 405/522-5004

**Mission Statement** The OLERS mission is to administer retirement/survivor retirement, and medical benefits for members of the law enforcement profession of the State of Oklahoma and their families under Title 47 of the Oklahoma Statutes. This program provides retirement income after active employment and in the event of disability or death.

**Administration** Duane Michael, Executive Director

**Personnel** 7 unclassified, non-merit

## **Legislative Apportionment, Bipartisan Commission on**

(Constitution, Article 5 § 11A) Formerly Apportionment Commission

**History and Function** This commission becomes active only if the Oklahoma Legislature fails to accomplish apportionment during the first regular session of the legislature following each Federal Decennial Census. Consists of the attorney general, superintendent of public instruction, and the state treasurer.

## **Legislative Compensation, Board on (Constitution, Article 5 § 21; 74 O.S. § 291.2)**

2300 N Lincoln Boulevard, Room 122, Oklahoma City 73105 (IA)

405/521-2141, FAX 405/521-3902

**History and Function** Created in 1968 by the adoption of a constitutional amendment, the board's duties are to review, every two years, the compensation paid to legislators, with the power to change such compensation, which becomes effective on the fifteenth day following the succeeding general election. Currently, Oklahoma legislators are paid \$38,400 annually and the President Pro Tempore of the Senate and Speaker of the House of Representatives receive an additional \$17,932. The floor leaders of the majority and minority parties receive an additional \$12,364, as does the Appropriations Committee chair in each house. The speaker pro tempore of the House of Representatives and the person holding the position of assistant majority leader of the Senate each receive an additional \$12,364 per year for extra duties. Legislators are reimbursed for expenses.

## **Legislative Service Bureau (74 O.S. § 450.1)**

Agency Code 423 (IA)

[www.lsb.state.ok.us](http://www.lsb.state.ok.us)

State Capitol, Oklahoma City 73105

405/521-5662

**Mission Statement** To serve the Oklahoma Legislature by providing services as directed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives and the President Pro Tempore of the Senate.

**Administration** Vacant, Director

**Personnel** 7 unclassified

**History and Function** Legislative Council created in 1939, fully implemented in 1949 with full-time director. Abolished in 1980, when the Legislative Fiscal and Joint Bill Processing Office was formed. The Legislative Fiscal Office was abolished in 1985, when the Legislative Service Bureau was created. Each of these entities were created to serve the legislature jointly.

## Libraries, Oklahoma Department of (65 O.S. § 3-101) Board (65 O.S. § 2-101)

Agency Code 430 (1A)

www.libraries.ok.gov

Allen Wright Memorial Library Building, 200 NE 18 Street, Oklahoma City 73105  
405/521-2502, 800/522-8116, FAX 405/525-7804

E-mail—info@libraries.ok.gov

**Mission Statement** The mission of the Oklahoma Department of Libraries is to serve the people of Oklahoma by providing excellent information services and by preserving unique government information resources.

**Administration** Melody Kellogg, Director, 405/522-3172

Natalie Currie, Deputy Director, 405/522-3172

Cindy Mooney, Executive Assistant, 405/522-3172

Archives and Records Management, Jan Davis, 405/522-3191

Federal Operations, Judy Tirey, 405/522-3317

Government Information, Susan Woitte, 405/522-3327

Library Resources, Christine Chen, 405/522-3213

Library Development, Vicki Mohr, 405/522-3217

Public Information, William R. Young, 405/522-3562

Oklahoma Publications Clearinghouse, Sam Johnson, 405/522-3189

Public Services, Arlene Paschel, 405/522-3578

**Personnel** 31 classified, 3 unclassified

**History and Function** The Department of Libraries is the official state library of Oklahoma. It is responsible for providing information and records management services to state officials and employees, for assisting public library development in the state, and for coordinating information technology projects statewide. It serves the general public through its specialized collections, and has published the *Oklahoma Almanac* since 1981. Its history as the legal reference library for the executive, legislative, and judicial branches began with the establishment of the Territorial Library in the 1890s, which in 1907 became the State Library.

The board members serve six-year staggered terms and are appointed by the governor with approval of the Oklahoma Senate. The director of the department, who is appointed by and serves at the pleasure of the board, is an ex-officio, non-voting member of the board and serves as secretary.

The department also preserves the state's archives and provides records management assistance to state agencies, boards, commissions, and institutions.

**Archives and Records Commission** (67 O.S. § 305, 74 O.S. § 3908)

200 NE 18 Street, Oklahoma City 73105

405/522-3191, 800/522-8116, FAX 405/525-7804

libraries.ok.gov/oarc

**Mission Statement** To assist state agencies in establishing and administering records management programs that apply efficient and economical methods for the creation, utilization, maintenance, preservation, retention, and disposal of state government records.

**History and Function** The primary basis of the Archives and Records Commission lays in the creation of a Records Commission in 1939, passage of act establishing the commission in 1947, and the Records Management Act that became effective in 1961. Re-created until July 1, 2021.

**Administration** Melody Kellogg, State Archivist and Records Administrator

**Contact** Jan Davis, State Coordinator

**Historical Records Advisory Board** (36 CFR, Sect. 1206.30)

200 NE 18 Street, Oklahoma City 73105

405/522-3191, 800/522-8116, FAX 405/525-7804

libraries.ok.gov/ohrab

**Mission Statement** To provide leadership in encouraging and assisting in the development of programs to preserve and enhance access to historical records pertaining to Oklahoma and to serve as Oklahoma's liaison with the programs of the National Historical Publications and Records Commission.

**History and Function** Members are appointed by the director of the Oklahoma Department of Libraries. The board serves as Oklahoma's liaison with the programs of the National Historical Publications and Records Commission.

**Contact** Jan Davis, State Coordinator

**Oklahoma Center for the Book**

200 NE 18 Street, Oklahoma City 73105

405/522-3383, 800/522-8116, FAX 405/525-7804

**Mission Statement** The center is located in the Department of Libraries, which is affiliated with the Library of Congress Center for the Book in Washington, D.C. Its mission is to promote Oklahoma authors, celebrate the state's literary heritage, and encourage reading for pleasure by all Oklahomans.

**Contact** Connie G. Armstrong, Executive Director

**Oklahoma Literacy Resource Office**

200 NE 18 Street, Oklahoma City 73105

405/521-2502, 800/522-8116, FAX 405/525-7804

**Mission Statement** The mission of the Oklahoma Literacy Resource Office is to provide assistance and support to Oklahoma's library and community based literacy programs. The office provides technical assistance, funding opportunities, training, and awareness. Additional services include serving as the state contact for volunteer literacy initiatives, and forming partnerships with public, private, and non-profit agencies to assist with family literacy and welfare-to-work programs.

**Contact** Leslie Gelders, Literacy Coordinator

#### **State Records Center**

426 E Hill Street, Oklahoma City 73105 405/524-4416, 800/522-8116, FAX 405/524-7567

**Contact** Jan Davis

Hours: Monday and Wednesday, 8 AM to 10 AM; closed Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday. For information and assistance call 405/522-3579.

## **Linked Deposit Review Board, Oklahoma**

(Small Business Board) (62 O.S. § 88.3)

Office of the State Treasurer (IA)  
State Capitol, Room 217, Oklahoma City 73105

www.treasurer.ok.gov  
405/521-3191, FAX 405/522-0056

**Administration** Randy McDaniel, State Treasurer, Chair

**History and Function** The Oklahoma Small Business Linked Deposit Program was established October 1, 1988. The purpose of the board is to insure eligibility and compliance with the linked deposit program by lenders and applicants. The board reviews applications and makes recommendations for approval or rejection of a linked deposit loan package.

## **Liquefied Petroleum Gas Board, Oklahoma** (52 O.S. § 420.3)

Agency Code 445 (IA)  
405/521-2458, FAX 405/521-6037

3815 Santa Fe, Suite 117, Oklahoma City 73118  
E-mail—lpgasinfo@lpgas.ok.gov

**Mission Statement** To protect the health and welfare of the citizens of Oklahoma by promulgation of standards for the storage, handling, and installation of liquefied petroleum gases as adopted by the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) and published in its Pamphlet No. 58 and No. 54 including subsequent changes and/or additions to these standards adopted by NFPA, the State of Oklahoma, and the rules and regulations as adopted by the Oklahoma LP Gas Board.

**Administration** Larry Snodgrass, Administrator

**Personnel** 8 classified, 2 unclassified

**History and Function** Created by the Oklahoma Legislature in 1953 to regulate the industry within the state, the board issues dealer and manager permits after applicants qualify by written examination. It also executes and enforces all laws relating to the handling, using, storing, selling, distributing, transporting, and manufacturing of butane, propane, and other liquefied petroleum gases and installation of liquefied petroleum gas systems. Administrative costs of the board are borne by collection of licenses and other fees that are deposited in L.P. Gas Administration Revolving Fund.

## **Long-Term Care Administrators, Oklahoma State Board of Examiners for** (63 O.S. § 330.51)

Formerly Oklahoma State Board of Examiners for Nursing Home Administrators

Agency Code 509 (IA)  
2401 NW 23 Street, Suite 2H, Oklahoma City 73107

www.ok.gov/osbeltca  
405/522-1616, FAX 405/522-1625

**Mission Statement** OSBELTCA ensures that Oklahoma's long term care administrators are suitable and qualified to serve and continue to serve in this profession.

**Administration** Gaylord Z. Thomas, Executive Director

**Personnel** 3 unclassified, non-merit

**History and Function** Established by the 1968 Oklahoma Legislature with revisions being made by the 1973 legislature, principal duties of the board are licensing of long term care administrators and approval of continuing education programs. Re-created until July 1, 2022.

## **Lottery Commission** (3A: O.S. 2004, § 701-735)

3817 N Santa Fe, Oklahoma City, 73118  
405/522-7700

www.lottery.ok.gov  
E-mail—info@lottery.ok.gov

**Administration** Isabelle Alfaro, Administrative Supervisor

Security, 405/522-7765

Winning Numbers, 405/522-7700

**Personnel** 30 unclassified, 1-4 temporary

**History and Function** The Lottery Commission was created following approval of the voters on November 2, 2004. The commission supervises and administers the operation of the lottery. The commission is governed by a board of trustees composed of seven members appointed by the governor with the advice and consent of the Oklahoma Senate.

## Management and Enterprise Services, Office of

(62 O.S. § 41.3; 62 O.S. 34.3) Formerly Office of State Finance

Agency Code 090 (IA)

2401 N Lincoln Boulevard, Suite 206, Oklahoma City 73105

www.omes.ok.gov

405/521-2141, FAX 405/521-3902

**Administration** Steven Harpe, Director of OMES

Budget and Gaming Compliance, 405/521-2141

Capital Assets Management, 405/521-2124

Central Accounting and Reporting, 405/522-5577

Employees Group Insurance Division, 405/717-8780

Information Services, 405/521-2444

Public Affairs, 405/521-2141

Capitol Restoration, 405/522-3883

Central Purchasing, 405/521-2116

Human Capital Management, 405/521-2177

Legal, 405/521-2141

**Total Personnel** 67 classified, 935 unclassified, 10 temporary

**History and Function** The Office of Management and Enterprise Services was formed through a series of agency consolidations in 2011 that created a central, unified government operations agency that provides financial, property, purchasing, human resources, insurance, risk management, fleet services, surplus disposition, and information technology services to all state agencies. OMES also assists the governor's office on budgetary policy matters.

## Market Assistance Program Association, Voluntary

 (36 O.S. § 6420)

9417 N Kelly Avenue, Oklahoma City 73131

PO Box 13488, Oklahoma City 73113

405/842-9883, FAX 405/840-4450

**Administration** Denise Johnson, President, CEO; Cindy Munden, Program Administrator

**History and Function** Title 36, Section 6412—The Oklahoma Market Assistance Program Association (OK-MAP) was created in 1986 to assist in the placement of homeowners' insurance coverage for residents of this state. The OK-MAP is not a carrier capable of assuming insurance risks. While it is believed that the association will be able to solve or at least reduce problems of availability, it has no power to guarantee successful conclusion of all assistance efforts and it is assumed that some risks may not be entitled to coverage.

## Medical Authority, Oklahoma State University

 (63 O.S. § 3275)

www.osumc.net

918/599-1000

## Medical Licensure and Supervision, State Board of

(59 O.S. § 481; 74 O.S. § 3904) Re-created until July 1, 2024.

Agency Code 450 (IA)

101 NE 51 Street, Oklahoma City 73105

Email—lkelsey@okmedicalboard.org

www.okmedicalboard.org

405/962-1400, FAX 405/962-1499

**Mission Statement** To promote the health, safety, and well-being of the citizens (patients) of Oklahoma by requiring a high level of qualifications, standards, and continuing education for licensure of medical doctors, physician assistants, physical therapists, occupational therapists, radiology assistants, anesthesiology assistants, respiratory therapists, athletic trainers, dietitians, electrologists, music therapists, therapeutic recreation therapists, orthotists, prosthetists, and pedorthists. To protect the on-going health, safety, and well-being of the citizens (patients) of Oklahoma by investigating complaints, conducting public hearings, effectuating, and monitoring disciplinary actions against any of the aforementioned licensed professionals, while providing the licensee with proper due process and all rights afforded under the law. To provide any member of society upon request, a copy of the specific public records and information on any of the aforementioned licensed professionals.

**Administration** Lyle R. Kelsey, MBA, CMBE, Executive Director; Reji T. Varghese, Executive Deputy Director;

Billy H. Stout, M.D., Board Secretary; Eric E. Frische, MD, Medical Advisor

**Personnel** 20 classified, 9 unclassified

**History and Function** The agency was mandated in 1923 to license qualified individuals to practice medicine. Since then, other health care professions have been added to the agency's jurisdiction and the board has been further charged by the Oklahoma Legislature to enforce laws related to medical practice by disciplinary action.

**Advisory Committees**

- Athletic Trainer Advisory Committee (59 O.S. § 529)
- Advisory Committee on Dietetic Registration (59 O.S. § 1723)
- Advisory Committee on Registered Electrologists (59 O.S. § 536.5)
- Anesthesiologist Assistants Committee (59 O.S. § 3201–3208)
- Music Therapy Committee (59 O.S. § 889)
- Occupational Therapy Advisory Committee (59 O.S. § 888.12)
- Advisory Committee on Orthotics and Prosthetics (59 O.S. § 3005)
- Advisory Committee on Pedorthics Re-created until July 1, 2019 (HB 1069, 2007, HB 1318, 2007, HB 1688, 2013, 59 O.S. § 3005, 74 O.S. § 3908, 59 O.S. § 2305)
- Physical Therapy Committee (59 O.S. § 887.4)
- Physician Assistant Committee (59 O.S. § 519.3)
- Radiologist Assistant Advisory Committee (59 O.S. § 541.2)
- Respiratory Care Advisory Committee (59 O.S. § 2028)
- Therapeutic Recreation Committee (59 O.S. § 540.4)

**Medical Trust, Oklahoma State University** (63 O.S. § 3290)

www.osumc.net

918/587-2561

**Medicolegal Investigations, Board of** (63 O.S. § 931)

Agency Code 342 (IA)  
921 NE 23 Street, Oklahoma City 73105  
Tulsa 918/295-3400, FAX 918/585-1549

www.ok.gov/ocme  
405/239-7141, FAX 405/239-2430  
E-mail—medicalexaminer@ocme.ok.gov

**Mission Statement** To protect public health and safety by investigating cases of sudden, violent, or unexpected and suspicious deaths that occur to its residents or to people passing through Oklahoma, and by identifying possible public health hazards.

**Administration** Eric Pfeifer, MD, Chief Medical Examiner

- Byron Curtis, PhD, Chief Forensic Toxicologist
- Amy Elliott, Chief Administrative Officer
- Kari Learned, Division Manager, Senior Executive Secretary
- Jodi Dillon, Investigator Supervisor-Central
- Samantha Richardson, Investigator Supervisor-Eastern
- Tulsa Office: Joshua Lanter, MD, Deputy Chief Medical Examiner; Alisha Heinen, Office Manager

**Personnel** 103 unclassified

**History and Function** The agency was created in 1961 as the Board of Unexplained Deaths and the Office of the State Medical Examiner. The Oklahoma Legislature in 1972 changed the name to Board of Medicolegal Investigations that appoints the Chief Medical Examiner and supervises and controls the Office of the Chief Medical Examiner.

**Office of the Chief Medical Examiner** (63 O.S. § 933)

Oklahoma City—405/239-7141, FAX 405/239-2430      Tulsa—918/295-3400, FAX 918/585-1549

**Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services, Department of**

(43A O.S. § 2-101) **Board** (43A O.S. § 2-101, 2-103)

Agency Code 452 (IA)  
2200 N Classen Blvd., Oklahoma City 73106  
405/248-9200

www.odmhsas.org  
PO Box 53277, Oklahoma City 73152-3277

**Mission Statement** To promote healthy communities and provide the highest quality care to enhance the well-being of all Oklahomans.

**Administration** Carrie Slatton-Hodges, Interim Commissioner; 405/522-9201; Durand Crosby, Chief of Staff and

- Operations, 405/248-9202
- Consumer Advocate General, 405/248-9037
- Human Resources, 405/248-9041
- General Counsel, 405/248-9246
- Inspector General, 405/248-9037

Provider Certification, 405/248-9028  
General Information, 405/248-9200

Public Information/Public Affairs, 405/248-9232

**History and Function** The Oklahoma Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services (ODMHSAS) was established through the Mental Health Law of 1953, although services to Oklahomans with mental illness date back to early statehood. The department is responsible, through contract and direct operations, for mental health and substance abuse prevention and treatment services statewide. This includes acute care and inpatient services, residential treatment, community-based treatment and outpatient services, crisis stabilization, programs for assertive community treatment, services for children and families, and a statewide community prevention network along with education and awareness activities. In addition, the department is responsible for the establishment of rules regulating all substance abuse treatment programs and related services in Oklahoma, ADSAC certification and related functions, as well as rules that regulate residential care and community mental health treatment programs. The department also oversees and manages the behavioral health component of Oklahoma's medicaid program.

**Drug Court, Juvenile** (10 O.S. § 7303-5.5)

**Opioid Overdose Fatality Review Board** (63O.S. § 2-1001) Created until July 1, 2023

**Suicide Prevention Council, Oklahoma** (43A O.S. § 12-104) Created until January 1, 2020

## Merit Protection Commission (74 O.S. § 840-1)

Agency Code 298 (IA)  
3545 NW 58 Street, Suite 360, Oklahoma City 73112

www.mpc.ok.gov  
405/525-9144, FAX 405/528-6245

**Mission Statement** To design, implement, and enforce a dispute resolution system for state employees and applicants for state employment. Our mission is accomplished primarily through the training, counseling, consultation, and advice given by the commission in conjunction with voluntary mediation program and mandatory negotiation. The rights and responsibilities of state employees are protected through the commission's investigative powers, dispute resolution systems, and administrative hearing process.

**Administration** Carol Shelley, Executive Director

**Personnel** 3 positions, 2 unclassified, 5 vacant

**History and Function** Created in July 1982, the commission has essentially three functions: (1) to investigate allegations of violations of the Oklahoma Personnel Act and employment discrimination in state service; (2) to serve as an administrative appeal agency for state employees having disputes with their agency; and (3) to enforce the provisions of the Oklahoma Personnel Act. In addition to its original functions, this agency is now responsible for providing specific training on grievance resolutions in state employment and training for its administrative law judges. Agency functions also include a component designed to assist agencies in voluntarily complying with the Oklahoma Personnel Act.

## Military Department (44 O.S. § 21)

Agency Code 025 (IA)  
3501 Military Circle, Oklahoma City 73111-4305

www.ok.ng.mil  
405/228-5000, FAX 405/228-5524

**Mission Statement** To preserve the state and the nation through the organization and training of the Oklahoma National Guard, to be ready for federal duty when called upon by the president of the United States, pursuant to congressional authority, and to be ready for state duty when called upon by the governor of Oklahoma.

**Administration** Major General Michael C. Thompson, Adjutant General  
405/228-5201, FAX 405/228-5524

**Personnel** 61 classified, 261 unclassified, 45 temporary

**History and Function** Initiated by the U.S. Congress in 1890 when it authorized one regiment of organized militia for Oklahoma Territory, the Territorial Legislature passed a law, in 1895, providing for the organization and development of the Volunteer Militia, the Oklahoma National Guard. The Oklahoma Military Department was established in 1951 and serves as the administrative agency for all matters concerning the Oklahoma National Guard and other military organizations. The governor, as commander-in-chief of the National Guard, appoints the adjutant general, the executive and administrative officer. The Army National Guard operates with an authorized strength of 6,682 personnel statewide under three major commands, the Oklahoma Regional Training Institute and the Camp Gruber Training Center. The major commands are the Forty-fifth Infantry Brigade Combat Team, Ninetieth Troop Command, and the Forty-fifth Field Artillery Brigade. The Air National Guard has an authorized strength of 2,317 personnel operating from air bases in Oklahoma City and Tulsa.

The National Guard has three missions: (1) to provide trained units and individuals available for active duty during war or national emergency; (2) to provide units organized, equipped, and trained to function efficiently in the protection of life and property and preservation of peace, order, and public safety under competent orders of federal or state authorities; and (3) to participate in local, state, and national programs which add value to America.

**Architect Selection Board** (44 O.S. § 227)

**National Guard Relief Program Review Board, Oklahoma** (44 O.S. § 237)

## **Military Planning Commission, Oklahoma Strategic**

(74 O.S. § 5401; 74 O.S. § 3905) Re-created until December 31, 2020

**Mission Statement** The purpose of this commission is to analyze state policies affecting military facilities currently in use by the U.S. Department of Defense and the Oklahoma Army and Air National Guard located within the state, and such infrastructure as may support or be affected by these facilities or any activity therein. Responsibility for the administrative direction, coordination, and support of the Commission is with the Office of the Governor.

## **Mines, Department of** (Constitution, Article 6 § 25; 45 O.S. § 3)

Agency Code 125 (1A)

[www.mines.ok.gov](http://www.mines.ok.gov)

2915 N Classen Blvd., Suite 213, Oklahoma City 73106-5486

405/427-3859, FAX 405/427-9646

**Mission Statement** To protect the environment of the state, to protect the health and safety of the miners, and to protect the life, health, and property of affected citizens through enforcement of the state mining and reclamation laws.

**Administration** Mary Ann Pritchard, Director; Jonathan Allen, General Counsel; Rhonda Dossett, Coal Program

Director (918/295-3999); Mark Secrest, Chief Counsel; Suzen Rodesney, Chief Financial Officer;

Richard Shore, Minerals Division Administrator;

Clarence Stanley, Oklahoma Miner Training Institute, Executive Director, 918/465-1799

**Personnel** 31 unclassified

**History and Function** The Department of Mines enforces and implements various provisions of state and federally-mandated programs in health, safety, mining, and land reclamation practices associated with surface and subsurface mining. The department has programs to 1) safeguard human health and safety; 2) issue permits and inspect all mining operations for land reclamation; 3) minimize environmental impact to land, air, and water quality; and 4) regulate blasting and use of explosives on mine sites and other locations. The department also conducts miner courses in first aid, mine safety, and accident prevention through the Oklahoma Miner Training Institute.

## **Mining Commission, Oklahoma** (45 O.S. § 1)

2915 N Classen Blvd., Suite 213, Oklahoma City 73106-5486

405/427-3859, FAX 405/427-9646

**Mission Statement** The Oklahoma Mining Commission determines broad plans and programs for the Department of Mines designed to facilitate the regulation, safety, and promotion of the Oklahoma mining industry.

**Administration** Kurt Klutts, Chair; Mary Ann Pritchard, Director, Department of Mines

**History and Function** The membership of the commission consists of one person with experience in each of the following fields: engineering or geology, labor or worker's safety, agriculture or soil conservation, transportation, economic development or banking, public utilities, natural resources, and two persons selected at large. The commission is the policy-determining agency for the Department of Mines and also selects the director under the commission.

## **Motor Vehicle Commission, Oklahoma** (47 O.S. § 563)

Agency Code 475

[www.omvc.ok.gov](http://www.omvc.ok.gov)

4334 Northwest Expressway, Suite 183, Oklahoma City 73116

405/607-8227, FAX 405/607-8909

**Mission Statement** To prevent frauds, impositions, and other abuses upon Oklahoma citizens; to preserve the franchise system of motor vehicle distribution; to prevent undue control of independent new motor vehicle dealers by the manufacturers or distributors; and to prevent false and misleading advertising and unfair trade practices by dealers, manufacturers, distributors, and salespersons of new motor vehicles.

**Administration** Brad Bailey, Executive Director; Marilyn Maxwell, Deputy Director;

Maleah Johnson, Administrative Assistant; Heather Bumgarner, Compliance and Administrative Assistant

**Personnel** 4 unclassified, non-merit

**History and Function** Established by the Oklahoma Legislature in 1953 as the licensing agency for motor vehicle manufacturers, distributors, representatives, dealers, and salesmen, the commission is empowered to provide supervision for the industry and to enforce the legislative act relating to the distribution and sale of new vehicles.

## Municipal Power Authority, Oklahoma (11 O.S. § 24–103)

2701 W I-35, Edmond 73013  
PO Box 1960, Edmond 73083-1960

www ompa.com  
405/340-5047, FAX 405/359-1071

**Mission Statement** To provide reliable, low cost energy and services to municipal entities to enable each municipality to be competitive, while maximizing the benefit to our stakeholders.

**Administration** David Osburn, General Manager; Jennifer Rogers, Manager of Member Services;  
Ellen Edwards, General Counsel; John Vanzant, Director of Corporate Services and CFO

**History and Function** Authorization for formation of the OMPA was granted by the Oklahoma Legislature under the auspices of the Oklahoma Municipal Power Authority Act passed in June 1981. A joint action agency created for the purpose of providing an adequate, reliable, and affordable supply of electrical power and energy to Oklahoma's municipally owned electric systems. OMPA is a consumer-owned public entity. OMPA serves forty-two cities in Oklahoma. Four-member cities—Kingfisher, Laverne, Mangum, and Pawhuska—have municipal diesel generating plants, which are contracted to OMPA for operation and dispatched through the OMPA Operations Center in Edmond. Ponca City also has two steam generating units that are leased to OMPA. Through OMPA, member cities also are joint owners of generating plants in four states: Arkansas, Louisiana, Texas, and Oklahoma. In addition, the authority owns 100 percent of the Kaw Hydroelectric Plant located on Kaw Reservoir, just east of Ponca City, two combustion turbines at the Ponca City Power Plant, and the Charles D. Lamb Energy Center in Kay County.

## Narcotics and Dangerous Drugs Control, Oklahoma State Bureau of (63 O.S. § 2–102)

Agency Code 477 (1A)  
419 NE 38 Terrace, Oklahoma City 73105-3413  
405/521-2885, 800/522-8031, FAX 405/524-7619

www.ok.gov/obndd

**Mission Statement** Committed to honor, integrity, and excellence, the Oklahoma Bureau of Narcotics will serve the citizens of Oklahoma in the quest for a drug-free state.

**Administration** John Scully, Director

**Personnel** 106 classified, 33 unclassified, 6 grant positions

**History and Function** The Oklahoma State Bureau of Narcotics and Dangerous Drugs Control (OBNDCC) is the state agency responsible for drug enforcement in Oklahoma. Primary responsibilities are to enforce the Uniform Controlled Dangerous Substance Act as outlined in the Oklahoma Statutes, Title 63; to train state and local law enforcement officers; provide leadership, logistical, technical, and tactical support to local, state, and federal agencies for drug enforcement; and to compile drug-related statistics; OBNDCC is also tasked with investigating and reducing human trafficking and money laundering in Oklahoma. Additionally, OBNDCC coordinates the Oklahoma Drug Endangered Children program to respond to children living in a drug environment.

The strength of OBNDCC lies in the unique skills and abilities of dedicated agents and support staff. They conduct a wide variety of specialized programs to combat the local availability of various domestic and foreign produced drugs, human trafficking and money laundering. Rural and metro enforcement, intelligence, diversion, regulatory, wire intercept, legal, analytical, and educational activities are directed from OBNDCC headquarters in Oklahoma City; five (5) district offices located in Ardmore, Lawton, McAlester, Tulsa, and Woodward; and fifteen (15) regional offices in Ada, Anadarko, Cherokee, Duncan, Durant, El Reno, Enid, Guymon, Muskogee, Okmulgee, Poteau, Stillwater, Tahlequah, Vinita, and Weatherford.

OBNDCC partners with various local, state, and federal agencies on major long-term projects. OBNDCC provides leadership, training, resources, and infrastructure for local, state, and federal law enforcement entities throughout the state. From direct case support to overseeing major statewide program initiatives, OBNDCC works directly with a multitude of federal, state, and local agencies to identify and remove primary sources of drug supply, human trafficking and money laundering networks, as well as aggressive demand reduction efforts. OBNDCC maintains an aggressive and proactive approach toward reducing the local availability of drugs and addressing the ever-changing climate of narcotics distribution and abuse, human trafficking and money laundering. This, combined with future strategies, defines the character of OBNDCC and drives this agency toward the ultimate quest of creating a “drug-free,” “human trafficking-free,” and “money-laundering free” Oklahoma.

## Native American Cultural and Educational Authority (74 O.S. § 1226)

Agency Code 361 (1A)  
659 American Indian Blvd., Oklahoma City 73129

405/594-2113

**Administration** J. Blake Wade, Executive Director, Native American Cultural and Educational Authority, 405/594-2113

**History and Function** The Native American Cultural and Education Authority, a state agency created in 1994 by the Oklahoma Legislature, has a singular mission: to develop a world-class cultural and educational institution that will bring an awareness and understanding for all people of the Oklahoma American Indian cultures and heritage. The cultural center

will serve as a living center for cultural expressions of the diverse American Indian cultures of Oklahoma. The 173 thousand square foot center is to be located on a 210-acre landscaped park that will positively impact the cultural and economic environment for the state.

## Natural History, Sam Noble Oklahoma Museum of (70 O.S. § 3309.1)

Directed and supervised by the Board of Regents of the University of Oklahoma

University of Oklahoma, 2401 Chautauqua, Norman 73072-7029  
405/325-4712, FAX 405/325-7699

www.samnoblemuseum.ou.edu  
E-mail—samnoblemuseum@ou.edu

**Administration** Janet K. Braun, PhD, Interim Director

**History and Function** An organized research unit of the University of Oklahoma, the Sam Noble Oklahoma Museum of Natural History was founded in 1899, and was designated the state museum of natural history by act of the Oklahoma Legislature in 1987 (Okla. Statutes, Title 70, Section 3309.1). The mission of the museum is to conduct research, participate in higher education, disseminate information to the people of Oklahoma, and collect and preserve the tangible record of Oklahoma's natural and cultural history, which the museum holds in trust for the people of Oklahoma. The museum is accredited by the American Association of Museums and regularly undergoes national accreditation reviews.

## Nursing, Oklahoma Board of (59 O.S. § 567.4)

Agency Code 510 (IA)  
2915 N Classen Boulevard, Suite 524, Oklahoma City 73106

www.nursing.ok.gov  
405/962-1800, FAX 405/962-1821

**Mission** To safeguard the safety of citizens in the state of Oklahoma by regulating the practice of Registered Nurses, Certified Nurse Practitioners, Certified Nurse-Midwives, Clinical Nurse Specialists, Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetists, Licensed Practical Nurses, and Advanced Unlicensed Assistants.

**Administration** Kim Glazier, M.Ed., RN, Executive Director;  
Jackye Ward, MS, RN, Deputy Director of Regulatory Services

**Personnel** 30 unclassified, non-merit

**History and Function** Enacted by the Oklahoma Legislature in 1909, the Oklahoma Nursing Practice Act was revised through the years, with the most recent revisions effective May 2020. Purpose of the act is to safeguard the public health and welfare by requiring persons in professional or practical nursing to be licensed. The Board is responsible for regulating the practice of nursing and establishing minimum standards for education programs. At the end of Fiscal year 2019 (as of June 30, 2019), there were 49,641 Registered Nurses, 16,901 Licensed Practical Nurses, and 4,494 Advanced Practice Registered Nurses holding licenses in the state. In addition, there were 527 Advanced Unlicensed Assistants in the state. There are twenty-nine approved schools preparing Registered Nurses at fifty-two different sites; thirty approved schools preparing Licensed Practical Nurses at forty-seven different sites; and eight approved schools for Advanced Unlicensed Assistants. The Board is self-sustaining through collection of licensing and renewal fees.

**Formulary Advisory Council** (59 O.S. § 567.4a)

Consists of twelve members, created to make recommendations for an exclusionary formulary that will list drugs or categories of drugs that will not be prescribed by Advanced Practice Nurses.

**Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetist (CRNA) Formulary Advisory Council** (59 O.S. § 567.4b)

Composed of five members who shall be active in clinical practice at least 50 percent of their time within their defined area of specialty. CRNA is authorized to order, select, obtain, and administer drugs pursuant to provisions of the Oklahoma Nursing Practice Act (SB 275, 1997).

## Opioid Abatement Board, Oklahoma (HB 4138, 2020)

**Opioid Abuse, Oklahoma Commission on** (74 O.S. § 30.2) Created until July 1, 2023.

**Optometry, Board of Examiners In** (59 O.S. § 582) Recreated until July 1, 2023.

Agency Code 520  
2008 S Post Road, Suite 200, Midwest City 73130

www.optometry.ok.gov  
405/733-7836

**Mission Statement** To protect the public by regulating the practice of optometry in Oklahoma through education and licensing requirements and to ensure that optometrists practice optometry within the provisions of the law.

**Administration** Russell Laverty, OD, Executive Director

**Personnel** 3 unclassified, 1 temporary, non-merit

**History and Function** The board was created by an act of the 1911 Oklahoma Legislature and was known then as the Board of Optometry. The board is the regulatory agency for the profession of optometrists, and is self-sustaining through collection of fees.

## **Osteopathic Examiners, State Board of** (59 O.S. § 624; 74 O.S. § 3906; 74 O.S. § 3909)

Re-created until July 1, 2024

Agency Code 525  
4848 N Lincoln Boulevard, Suite 100, Oklahoma City 73105

www.osboe.ok.gov  
405/528-8625, FAX 405/557-0653

**Mission Statement** To protect the public by regulating the practice of osteopathic medicine in Oklahoma through education and licensing requirements as well as ensure that each licensee practices osteopathic medicine within the provisions of the Osteopathic Medicine Act.

**Administration** Michael T. Leake Jr. JD, Executive Director

**Personnel** 1 classified, 5 unclassified

**History and Function** Established by the Oklahoma Legislature in 1921, the board's principle duty is licensing of applicants for the practice of osteopathic medicine and adoption of rules and regulations governing enforcement of laws relating to the profession.

## **Pardon and Parole Board** (Constitution, Article 6 §10; 57 O.S. § 332.2)

Agency Code 306 (1A)  
2915 N Classen Blvd. Suite 405, Oklahoma City 73106

www.ok.gov/ppb  
405/521-6600

**Mission Statement** The Pardon and Parole Boards serves the citizens of Oklahoma by making careful and informed decisions, focusing on public safety, offender accountability and re-entry, and victim rights.

**Administration** Vacant, Executive Director

**Personnel** 21 classified, 2 unclassified, 5 temporary

**History and Function** The Oklahoma Pardon and Parole Board is a constitutional, part-time body composed of five members. Members of the board are appointed, three by the governor, one by the chief justice of the Oklahoma Supreme Court, and one by the presiding judge of the Oklahoma Court of Criminal Appeals. Board members hold office co-terminous with the governor and can be reappointed. If vacancies occur, the appointing authority selects a replacement member before the term expires. Board members are removable only for cause in the manner provided by law for elected officers not liable for impeachment. The positions of chairperson and vice chairperson are elected by majority vote of the board. The board convenes monthly on a predetermined date at the Kate Barnard Community Correctional Center located at 3300 North Martin Luther King Avenue in Oklahoma City.

## **Pension Commission, Oklahoma State** (74 O.S. § 941)

2300 N Lincoln, Room. 123 (1A), Oklahoma City 73105  
405/521-3495, FAX 405/521-3426

www.okpension.ok.gov  
E-mail—rchicoine@sai.ok.gov

**Administration** Ruth Ann Chicoine

**History and Function** As directed by statute, the commission is administered by the Oklahoma State Auditor's Office and consists of seven members as follows: (1) The state auditor and inspector, or designee; (2) The director of the Office of Management and Enterprise Services, or designee; (3) The state treasurer, or designee; (4) one member who shall be appointed by the President Pro Tempore of the Senate who shall serve at the pleasure of the appointing authority and who shall have demonstrated experience in the investment of private or public funds; (5) one member who shall be appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives who shall serve at the pleasure of the appointing authority, and who shall have demonstrated experience in the investment of private or public funds; (6) one person to be appointed by the governor who shall have at least ten years of demonstrated experience in the financial services industry; and (7) one person to be appointed by the governor who shall have at least ten years of experience in retirement planning, including demonstrated experience with retirement plan designs.

The Oklahoma State Pension Commission was formed to provide guidance to public officials, legislators, and administrators in developing public retirement objectives and principles, identifying problems and areas of abuse, projecting costs of existing systems and modifications to those systems, and recommending pension reform programs. As directed by statute, the commission publishes a report of the most recent actuarial valuation including total assets, total liabilities, underfunded liability or over-funded status, contributions, and any other information deemed relevant by the commission, and also makes recommendations on administrative and legislative changes, which are necessary to improve the performance of the retirement system.

## Perfusionists, State Board of Examiners of

(59 O.S. § 2053) Recreated until July 1, 2021.

Agency Code 343 (IA)  
101 NE 51 Street, Oklahoma City 73105  
E-mail—lkelsey@okmedicalboard.org

www.okperfusionists.org  
405/962-1400, FAX 405/962-1499

**Mission Statement** To regulate the practice of perfusion, issue licensure where appropriate, and assure the public that the practice of perfusion will be conducted with reasonable skill and safety.

**Administration** Lyle R. Kelsey, MBA, CMBE, Executive Director; Reji T. Varghese, Deputy Executive Director

**History and Function** On behalf of the people of the state, the Oklahoma Legislature created the Oklahoma Board of Examiners of Perfusionists to regulate the practice of perfusion, issue licensure where appropriate, and in general, assure the public that the practice of perfusion will be conducted with reasonable skill and safety. To enforce the act, the board reviews applications for licensure and complaints relative to the conduct of licensed perfusionists. In addition, the board makes rules and policies in conformity with the stated purpose of the board and the mission mandated by law.

## Pharmacy, Board of (Constitution, Article 5 § 39; 59 O.S. § 353.3)

Agency Code 560 (IA)  
2920 N Lincoln Boulevard, Suite A, Oklahoma City 73105-4212  
E-mail—pharmacy@pharmacy.ok.gov

www.pharmacy.ok.gov  
405/521-3815, FAX 405/521-3758

**Mission Statement** To protect the citizens of Oklahoma by regulating and enforcing the laws regarding pharmacy practice and the manufacture, sales, distribution, and storage of drugs, medicines, chemicals, and poisons.

**Administration** Marty Hendrick, Executive Director

**Personnel** 12 unclassified

**History and Function** Authorized by the Oklahoma Constitution under Article V, Section 39 and implemented by acts of the Oklahoma Legislature, the board is the regulatory agency for the practice of pharmacy and for the sale, storage, and handling of prescription drugs, medicines, chemicals, and poisons. One of the chief board functions is to conduct examinations for the granting of licenses to pharmacists. The board is responsible for licensing and inspection of premises where prescription drugs are dispensed, sold, or stored.

## Physician Manpower Training Commission (70 O.S. § 697.2, 697.3)

Agency Code 619 (IA)  
119 N Robinson, Suite 520, Oklahoma City 73102-4603  
E-mail—PMTC@pmtc.ok.gov

www.pmtc.ok.gov  
405/604-0020, FAX 405/768-2263

**Mission Statement** To enhance medical care in rural and underserved areas of Oklahoma by administering residency, internship, scholarship incentive programs, and loan repayment programs that encourage medical and nursing personnel to practice in rural and underserved areas. Further, PMTC is to upgrade the availability of health care services by increasing the number of practicing physicians, nurses, and physician assistants in rural and underserved areas of Oklahoma.

**Administration** Janie Thompson, Executive Director; Diane Mickelson, Administrative Assistant; Aneesa Sharp, Medical Education Programs Coordinator; Benita Jose-Mathew, Administrative Secretary for Finance; Dana Morphew, Nursing Programs Administrative Support Officer, and Michelle Cecil, Nursing Programs Director.

**Personnel** 4 classified, 2 unclassified

**History and Function** Created by the Oklahoma Legislature in 1975 to increase the number of practicing physicians in rural and underserved areas of Oklahoma, the commission is charged to administer the Oklahoma Medical Loan Repayment Programs, Physician Placement Program, Physician/Community Match Program, Internship and Residency Programs, Nursing Student Assistance Program, and the Physician Assistant Program.

## Podiatric Medical Examiners, Oklahoma State Board of

(59 O.S. § 137, 74 O.S. § 3906) Recreated until July 2021.

Agency Code 140 (IA)  
101 NE 51 Street, Oklahoma City, 73105  
E-mail—lkelsey@okmedicalboard.org

www.okpodiatrists.org  
405/962-1400, FAX 405/962-1499

**Mission Statement** On behalf of the people of Oklahoma, the state legislature created the Oklahoma Board of Podiatric Medical Examiners to regulate the practice of podiatry, issue licensure where appropriate, and in general, assure the public that the practice of podiatry will be conducted with reasonable skill and safety. To enforce the act, the board administers the

State Licensing Examination, reviews applications for licensure, and reviews complaints relative to the conduct of licensed podiatrists. In addition, the board makes rules and policies in conformity with the stated purpose of the board and the mission mandated by law. The board is charged with assuring the public the podiatrist will practice ethically, with competency, and will be of good moral character.

**Administration** Lyle R. Kelsey, MBA, CMBE, Executive Director; Reji T. Varghese, Deputy Executive Director

**History and Function** The board was established in 1935 to regulate the profession of chiropody (podiatry) which relates to the treatment of ailments, diseased conditions, deformities or injuries to the foot. The board conducts examinations to qualify applicants for licenses to practice; issues renewals annually, and is authorized to revoke licenses for causes defined by law. It is self-sustaining through collection of fees.

## Police Pension and Retirement System, Oklahoma

(11 O.S. § 50–102.1) **Board** (11 O.S. § 50–103.1)

Agency Code 557 (IA)

[www.opprs.ok.gov](http://www.opprs.ok.gov)

1001 NW 63 Street, Suite 305, Oklahoma City 73116

405/840–3555, 800/347–6552, FAX 405/840–8465

E-mail—[opprs@opprs.ok.gov](mailto:opprs@opprs.ok.gov)

**Mission Statement** To provide secure retirement benefits for members and their beneficiaries.

**Administration** Ginger Sigler, Executive Director

**Personnel** 12 unclassified, non-merit

## Polygraph Examiners Board

(59 O.S. § 1455, 74 O.S. § 3906) Re-created until July 1, 2023

Council on Law Enforcement Education and Training (CLEET)

2401 Egypt Road, Ada 74820

405/239–5148

**Mission Statement** To establish standards for polygraph examiners.

**Administration** Joel A. Franks, Chair

**History and Function** Authorized by the Oklahoma Legislature in 1971 as a regulatory body for those performing in the field of lie detection through use of instrumentation equipment (polygraph), the board is authorized to give examinations for polygraph examiners' licenses and also has the power to suspend or revoke such licenses after proper hearings, or to levy fines.

## Ponca City, Board of Trustees of University Center at (70 O.S. § 3213.1)

[www.ucponcacity.com](http://www.ucponcacity.com)

## Port Authorities (82 O.S. § 1102)

**Muskogee City-County Port Authority**, PO Box 2819, Muskogee 74402, 918/682–7886, FAX 918/683–4811,

[www.muskogeeport.com](http://www.muskogeeport.com)

**City of Tulsa-Rogers County Port Authority**, 5350 Cimarron Road, Catoosa 74015; 918/266–2291, 888/572–7678, FAX

918/266–7678, [www.tulsaport.com](http://www.tulsaport.com)

**History and Function** Authorized under laws enacted in 1959, port authorities may be established by incorporated cities and towns and by counties and may be combined to form joint port authorities. The authorities have broad powers for the development, operation, and expansion of ports. Governing bodies of cities, towns, and counties are the appointing authorities for members of the board of directors of the port authorities.

## Private Vocational Schools, Oklahoma Board of (70 O.S. § 21–101)

Agency Code 563 (IA)

3700 N Classen Boulevard, Suite 250, Oklahoma City 73118–2864

[obpvs.ok.gov](http://obpvs.ok.gov)

405/528–3370, FAX 405/528–3366

E-mail—[nhouse@obpvs.ok.gov](mailto:nhouse@obpvs.ok.gov)

**Administration** Nora House, Director

**Personnel** 2 unclassified, non-merit

**Mission Statement** To establish, measure, and enforce standards of compliance through licensure of private vocational schools in order to support institutions, protect students, and meet workforce development needs.

**History and Function** Established by the Oklahoma Legislature in 1970, the board is authorized to set minimum standards for private vocational schools which include standards for courses of instruction and training qualifications of instructors, financial stability, advertising practices, and reasonable rules and regulations for operation of private vocational schools.

## Psychologists, State Board of Examiners of

(59 O.S. § 1354) Re-created until July 1, 2023

Agency Code 575 (IA)  
421 NW 13 Street, Suite 180, Oklahoma City 73103

www.psychology.ok.gov  
405/522-1333

**Mission Statement** To protect the public by regulating the practice of psychology in Oklahoma to ensure that only properly qualified psychologists practice psychology in the state and that the psychology profession as a whole is conducted in the public's best interest.

**Administration** Teanne Rose, Executive Officer, E-mail—teanne.rose@psychology.ok.gov

**Personnel** 2 unclassified, non-merit

**History and Function** Established under the Psychologists Licensing Act of 1965, the board is the official licensing agency for the practice of psychology and in the investigation of complaints and enforcement of the laws and rules of the profession.

## Public Employees Retirement System, Oklahoma

(74 O.S. § 903) **Board** of Trustees (74 O.S. § 905)

Agency Code 515 (IA)  
5400 N Grand Boulevard, Suite 400, Oklahoma City 73112-5675  
PO Box 53007, Oklahoma City 73152-3007  
FAX/Administration 405/848-5967

www.opers.ok.gov  
405/858-6737, 800/733-9008  
FAX/SoonerSave & Pathfinder 405/848-5946  
FAX/Member Services 405/858-6714

**Mission Statement** The Oklahoma Public Employees Retirement System provides and promotes comprehensive, and financially sound retirement services to Oklahoma's public servants in a professional, efficient, and courteous manner that is transparent and accountable to its members and the public.

**Vision Statement** Our vision is to ensure all members achieve a secure and lasting retirement.

**Administration** Joseph A. Fox, JD, Executive Director  
Deputy Executive Director, Paul Thompson, MEd, MBA  
Chief Investment Officer, Brad Tillberg, CFA  
Chief Financial Officer/ Director of Finance, Brian Wolf, CPA  
Communications Manager, Stephanie White  
Human Resources Manager, Diana Byrd, CEBS, SPHR  
Assistant General Counsel and Legislative Director, Kristi Ice, JD  
Director of Defined Contributions Plans, Ray Pool, CPA  
General Counsel, Dessa Baker-Inman, JD

**Personnel** 2 classified, 50 unclassified, merit

**History and Function** The Oklahoma Public Employees Retirement System, created by the Oklahoma Legislature, was established in 1964. The board is the supervisory authority for the operation of the system; as well as the Uniform Retirement System for Justices and Judges, and the Defined Contribution Plans: SoonerSave and Pathfinder.

**Audit Committee**

**Investment Committee**

**Budget and Policy Committee**

## Quartz Mountain Arts and Conference Center and Nature Park, Board of Trustees

**for** (70 O.S. § 4451) Repealed effective October 1, 2020 (HB 2753, 2020)

www.quartzmountainresort.com

**Mission Statement** Created to act as the administrative agency for the Quartz Mountain Arts and Conference Center and Nature Park ("Center").

## Real Estate Appraiser Board (59 O.S. § 858-705)

Insurance Department (IA)  
400 NE 50 Street, Oklahoma City 73105  
E-mail—christine.mcentire@oid.ok.gov

www.reab.oid.ok.gov  
405/521-6636, FAX 405/522-6909

**Administration** Christine McEntire, Director

**History and Function** In response to federal legislation passed in 1989, the State of Oklahoma established the Oklahoma Real Estate Appraiser Board. The insurance commissioner is the ex officio chair of the board, and the other members are appointed by the governor to five-year terms. The board oversees the state's system of licensing and certifying real estate appraisers. This is accomplished in conjunction with uniform guidelines established by various independent boards of the Appraisal Foundation of Washington, D.C., and under the oversight of the Appraisal Subcommittee of the Federal Financial Institutions Examinations Council (FFIEC). In January 2011, the board became responsible for regulation of appraisal management companies, also under the oversight of the Appraisal Subcommittee.

## Real Estate Commission, Oklahoma

(59 O.S. § 858–201; 74 O.S. § 3904) Re-created until July 1, 2021

Agency Code 588 (IA)

1915 N Stiles, Suite 200, Oklahoma City 73105

[www.orec.ok.gov](http://www.orec.ok.gov)

405/521-3387, 866/521-3389

**Mission Statement** The mission of the Oklahoma Real Estate Commission is to safeguard the public interest and provide quality services by assisting and providing resources; encouraging and requiring high standards of knowledge and ethical practices of licensees; investigating and sanctioning licensed activities; and through the prosecution of any unlicensed person who violates the Oklahoma License Code and Rules.

**Administration** Grant Cody, Executive Director

**Personnel** 10 classified, 3 unclassified

**History and Function** The commission is the regulatory agency for the Oklahoma Real Estate License Code and Rules which became effective through legislative enactment in January 1950. The commission has authority to either grant or deny licensure for applicants and supervises the real estate activities of all licensees in relation to the Oklahoma Real Estate License Code and Rules. The commission also has the authority to audit, investigate, and prosecute unlicensed activities.

**Real Estate Contract Form Committee, Oklahoma** (59 O.S. § 858–208)

## Regents for Higher Education, Oklahoma State (Constitution, Article 13A § 2; 70 O.S. § 3202)

Agency Code 605 (IA)

655 Research Parkway, Suite 200, Oklahoma City 73104-6266

PO Box 108850, Oklahoma City 73101-8850

[www.okhighered.org](http://www.okhighered.org)

405/225-9100, FAX 405/225-9230

Student Information Hot line 800/858-1840

**Administration** Dr. Glen D. Johnson, Chancellor, 405/225-9100; Amanda Paliotta, Vice Chancellor for Budget and Finance, Information Technology, Telecommunications and OneNet, 405/225-9130; Dr. Debbie Blanke, Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs and Student Affairs, 405/225-9170; Bob Anthony, General Counsel, 405/225-9129; Melissa Neal, Executive Director of the Oklahoma College Assistance Program, 405/234-4300; Kylie Smith, Vice Chancellor for Administration, 405/225-9122; Tony Hutchison, Vice Chancellor for Strategic Planning and Analysis and Workforce and Economic Development, 405/225-9175; Vonley Royal, Executive Director of OneNet and Higher Education Chief Information Officer.

**Personnel** 218 unclassified, non-merit

**History and Function** The Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education is the statewide coordinating board of control for the state's twenty-five colleges and universities, and ten constituent agencies. The State Regents for Higher Education prescribe academic standards of higher education, determine functions and courses of study at state colleges and universities, grant degrees, recommend to the Oklahoma Legislature budget allocations for each college and university, and recommend proposed fees within limits set by the legislature. The state regents also manage twenty-three scholarship and special programs. In addition, in cooperation with the Office of Management and Enterprise Services, the state regents operate OneNet, the state's information and telecommunications network for education and government. The regents also oversee the Oklahoma College Assistance Program.

**Experimental Program to Stimulate Competitive Research Advisory Committee, Oklahoma (EPSCOR)** (70 O.S. § 3230.1)

Office of Educational Quality and Accountability, Dr. Daniel Craig, Executive Director

**Dyslexia Teacher Training Pilot Program Advisory Committee** (70 O.S. § 7001)

## Rehabilitation Services, Oklahoma Department of Commission (74 O.S. § 166.1) (74 O.S. § 166.2)

Agency Code 805 (IA)

3535 NW 58 Street, Suite 500, Oklahoma City 73112-4824

405/951-3400, 800/845-8476, FAX 405/951-3529, TTY/TDD 405/951-3400

[www.okdrs.gov](http://www.okdrs.gov)

**Mission Statement** To empower Oklahomans with disabilities.

**Administration** Melinda Freundt, Director, 405/951-3582; Public Information Administrator, Jody Harlan, 405/951-3473; Chief Fiscal Officer, Kevin Statham, 405/951-3422; Chief of Operations, Randy Weaver, 405/951-3401; Disability Determination Division, Brian Nickles, Administrator, 405/419-2200; Vocational Rehabilitation Division, Mark Kinnison, Administrator, 405/951-3491; Visual Services Division, Tracy Brigham, Administrator, 405/951-3460; Disability Determination Services, Brian Nickles, Administrator, 405/419-2000, FAX 405/419-2785

Library for the Blind & Physically Handicapped, Kevin Treese, Programs Manager, 800/523-0288, 405/521-3514, [www.olbph.org](http://www.olbph.org)

Oklahoma School for the Blind (Parkview School) Rita Echelle, Superintendent, 918/781-8200, 877/229-7136, [www.osb.k12.ok.us](http://www.osb.k12.ok.us)

Oklahoma School for the Deaf, Chris Dvorak, Superintendent, 580/622-4900, 888/685-3323, [www.osd.k12.ok.us](http://www.osd.k12.ok.us)

**History and Function** The Oklahoma Department of Rehabilitation Services (DRS) provides assistance to Oklahomans with disabilities through vocational rehabilitation, employment, independent living, and residential and outreach education programs. The agency also determines medical eligibility for disability benefits. The commission meets eleven months per year at the DRS State Office, Disability Determination Services, Oklahoma School for the Blind, or Oklahoma School for the Deaf.

**Personnel** 699 classified, 179 unclassified, 23 temporary

**Statewide Independent Living Council**

3535 NW 58 Street, Suite 480, Oklahoma City 73112-4824  
405/951-3581, TTY/TDD 405/325-4927

[www.oksilc.org](http://www.oksilc.org)  
FAX 405/951-3504

**Administration** Sidna Madden, Director

**Oklahoma Rehabilitation Council** (29 U.S.C. 725)

3535 NW 58 Street, Suite 500, Oklahoma City 73112-4824

[www.ok.gov/orc](http://www.ok.gov/orc)

**Administration** Renee Sansom

405/951-3579, Voice/TTY/TDD 800/569-7974

## Revenue Apportionment Evaluation, State Commission on

(62 O.S. § 46.5) Created until July 1, 2023.

## Route 66 Centennial Commission, Oklahoma

(69 O.S. § 4020.1) Created until June 30, 2027. Effective date November 1, 2019.

## Safety, Department of Public

(47 O.S. § 2-101)

Agency Code 585 (IA)

[www.dps.state.ok.us](http://www.dps.state.ok.us)

3600 N Martin Luther King Avenue, Oklahoma City 73111-4223

PO Box 11415, Oklahoma City 73136

405/425-2424, FAX 405/425-2324

**Mission Statement** Working to provide a safe and secure environment for the public through courteous, quality, and professional services.

**Administration** John Scully, Commissioner of Public Safety, 405/425-2001;

Patrick F. Mays, Chief of Administration, 405/425-2002

Driver License Examining, Jeff Hankins, 405/425-7732

General Counsel, Sunne Riedel Day, 405/425-2148

Highway Patrol Chief, Brent Sugg, 405/425-2004

Law Enforcement Telecommunications Systems Division, Major Ronnie Hampton, 405/425-2231

Legislative Liaison, Captain Sheridan O'Neal, 405/425-2761

Oklahoma Highway Safety Office, Paul Harris, 405/523-1384

Public Affairs Office, Sarah Stewart, 405/425-7709

Records Management, Virgil Bonham, 405/425-2047

Wrecker Services, Virgil Bonham, 405/425-2047

**History and Function** The Oklahoma Department of Public Safety is a multi-service safety and law enforcement organization, created by state statute to administer to the protection and needs of Oklahoma citizens including both their personal well-being and their vehicular safety.

**Personnel** 1,316 classified, 57 unclassified, 12 temporary, merit

**Driver's License Medical Advisory Committee** (47 O.S. § 6-118)

The Driver's License Medical Advisory Committee is composed of seven members appointed by the commissioner of health (2 appointments), the commissioner of public safety (2), the governor (1), the President Pro Tempore of the

Oklahoma State Senate (1), and the Speaker of the House of Representatives (1).

**Administration** R. LeRoy Carpenter, M.D., Executive Secretary, 405/425-2071

**Injury Review Board** (47 O.S. § 2-310.1)

**Motorcycle Safety and Education, Advisory Committee for** (47 O.S. § 40-122) [www.ok.gov/okiemoto](http://www.ok.gov/okiemoto)

## School and County Funds Management, Oklahoma Commission on

(60 O.S. § 177.2)

State Department of Education

405/521-3460, FAX 405/522-3559

Oliver Hodge Building, Room 4-27, 2500 N Lincoln Boulevard, Oklahoma City 73105-4599 (IA)

## School Health Coordinators Pilot Program Steering Committee

(70 O.S. § 24-100C)

**Mission Statement** Committee created to help the State Department of Education and the State Department of Health facilitate the development of a physical fitness assessment software program customized for public schools that has the capability to track the components of student health-related physical fitness.

## School of Science and Mathematics, Oklahoma

(70 O.S. § 1210.401(A)) **Board of Trustees** (70 O.S. § 1210.401(B))

Agency Code 629 (IA)

[www.ossm.edu](http://www.ossm.edu)

1141 N Lincoln Boulevard, Oklahoma City 73104-2847

405/521-6436, FAX 405/521-6442

**Mission Statement** Via a residential campus in Oklahoma City (for 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> grade students), satellite locations called “regional centers” at six locations: Enid, Okmulgee, Poteau, Stilwell, Tahlequah, and Wayne, as well as an online program called a Virtual Regional Center, where instruction is delivered statewide via live interactive video combined with face-to-face visits from an instructor who conducts labs with the students, the Oklahoma School of Science and Mathematics endeavors to provide rigorous instruction in advanced STEM (science, technology, engineering, and math) subjects to high achieving Oklahoma students who show promise and interest in STEM subjects. In addition, OSSM hosts/sponsors day workshops and competitions for middle school students, week-long residential camps for rising 9<sup>th</sup> through 12<sup>th</sup> grade students, as well as institutes providing professional development for middle and high school teachers. A goal of the school president is that the school “touches” each and every Oklahoma student who aspires to pursue collegiate study in STEM or a STEM career via the school itself, the regional centers, the virtual regional center, the various outreach programs or indirectly through teachers trained at an OSSM professional development institute.

**Administration** Frank Y.H. Wang, PhD, President, E-mail: [Frank.Wang@ossm.edu](mailto:Frank.Wang@ossm.edu)

**Personnel** 3 classified, 50 unclassified

## School Readiness Board, Oklahoma Partnership for

(10 O.S. § 640.1; 74 O.S. § 3904) Re-created until July 1, 2021

[www.smartstartok.org](http://www.smartstartok.org)

## Science and Technology, Oklahoma Center for the Advancement of (OCAST)

(74 O.S. § 5060.2) **Board of Directors** (74 O.S. § 5060.6)

Agency Code 628 (IA)

[www.oCAST.ok.gov](http://www.oCAST.ok.gov)

755 Research Parkway, Suite 110, Oklahoma City 73104-3612

E-mail—[info@oCAST.ok.gov](mailto:info@oCAST.ok.gov)

405/319-8400

**Mission Statement** To foster innovation in existing and developing businesses by 1) supporting basic and applied research; 2) facilitating technology transfer between research laboratories and businesses; 3) providing seed capital for innovative firms in the development of new products or services; and 4) helping Oklahoma’s small and medium-sized manufacturing firms become more competitive through increased productivity and modernization.

**Administration** C. Michael Carolina, Executive Director; Dan Luton, Director of Programs; Amy Loftis-Walton, Director of Government Relations & Strategic Initiatives; Elaine Spell, Director of Administration and Finance

**Personnel** 16 unclassified, merit

**History and Function** Created in 1987 to be Oklahoma’s technology-based economic development agency, OCAST oversees the programs necessary for the development, transfer, and commercialization of technology. Those programs are: Inventors Assistance Service, Oklahoma Manufacturing Alliance, Oklahoma Applied Research Support, Oklahoma Health

Research, Oklahoma Seed Capital Fund, Oklahoma Technology Commercialization Center, Plant Science Research Program, R&D Intern Partnerships, Small Business Research Assistance, and Technology Business Finance Program.

**Advisory Bodies**

Oklahoma Applied Research Committee, David Humphrey, Chair  
Oklahoma Health Research Committee, Mary Beth Humphrey, MD, PhD, Chair  
Oklahoma Plant Sciences Research Advisory Committee, Richard Nelson, Chair  
Seed Capital Investment Committee, Sherri Wise, Chair  
Small Business Research Assistance Committee, Terry Golding, PhD, Chair

**Science and Technology Research and Development Board, Oklahoma** (74 O.S. § 5060.2)

## Secretary of State, Office of

Agency Code 625 (IA)

[www.sos.ok.gov](http://www.sos.ok.gov)

Executive/Legislative Division, State Capitol, Room 122, 2300 N Lincoln Blvd., Oklahoma City 73105

405/522-4355

Business Filings, Agricultural Loans, Notary, Open Meetings, and Administrative Rules, The Colcord Center, 421 NW 13 Street, Oklahoma City, 73103

405/521-3912, FAX 405/521-2031

**Mission Statement** To provide the registry and safekeeping of vital state instruments through prompt, accurate service and complete satisfaction for our public, business, and government agency clients.

**Administration** Michael Rogers, Secretary of State; Tod Wall, Assistant Secretary of State; Amy Canton, Director of Executive and Legislative Services; Michelle Wadell, Executive Assistant to the Secretary of State; Peggy Coe, Director/Managing Editor of the Oklahoma Administrative Code/Register

Accounting, 405/522-4568

Administrative Rules, 405/521-4911, [rules@sos.ok.gov](mailto:rules@sos.ok.gov)

Agriculture Liens, 405/521-2474, [LienSearch@sos.ok.gov](mailto:LienSearch@sos.ok.gov)

Apostilles, 405/521-4211

Business Filings, 405/522-2520

Business Records, 405/521-4211

Certification Department, 405/521-4211

Charitable Organizations, 405/522-2520

Executive/Legislative, 405/522-4355, [executivelegislative@sos.ok.gov](mailto:executivelegislative@sos.ok.gov)

Information Systems, 405/522-2495

International Protocol Office, 405/522-2076, [Protocol.OK@sos.ok.gov](mailto:Protocol.OK@sos.ok.gov)

Notary, 405/521-2516, [Notary@sos.ok.gov](mailto:Notary@sos.ok.gov)

Pardons and Paroles, 405/522-4355

Public Meeting Notices, 405/521-4911

Trademarks, 405/522-2520

Uniform Commercial Code, 405/521-2474

**History and Function** The Office of the Secretary of State's Office is the official repository and filing agency for all official acts of the governor, legislation and state questions, business entity filings, state agency rules and regulations, agricultural lien filings, notary public applications, and athlete agent registrations. It also serves as the Oklahoma Chief International Protocol Office.

**Personnel** 18 classified, 16 unclassified, 1 temporary

**Protocol Office, Oklahoma Chief International** (74 O.S. § 5017.7)

The secretary of state serves as the central point of contact for foreign governmental officials and the Houston and Oklahoma City Consular Corps. The secretary of state is the first point of contact for foreign government officials and delegations and is the chief international protocol officer. The office has the responsibility for Oklahoma's international relations. The secretary of state represents the state at official functions with members of the international diplomatic community; and serves as a resource to local and state government officials and agencies for information regarding procedure and protocol for international diplomats, government officials, and visitors.

**Administration** Chris Morriss, International Protocol Officer, 405/522-2076, [Protocol.OK@sos.ok.gov](mailto:Protocol.OK@sos.ok.gov)

## Securities Department, Oklahoma

 (71 O.S. § 1-101-1-701)

Agency Code 630 (IA)

[www.securities.ok.gov](http://www.securities.ok.gov)

Oklahoma Department of Securities

405/280-7700, FAX 405/280-7742

204 N Robinson, Suite 400, City Place, Oklahoma City 73102

**Mission Statement** The mission of the Oklahoma Securities Commission and the Department of Securities is investor protection through the administration and enforcement of the Oklahoma Uniform Securities Act of 2004. The commission and department also administer and enforce the Oklahoma Business Opportunity Sales Act, the Oklahoma Subdivided Land Sales Code, and the Oklahoma Take-over Disclosure Act of 1985.

**Administration** Melanie Hall, Administrator; Kenneth Maillard, Deputy Administrator and Director of Corporate Finance; Carol Gruis, Director of Examinations and Licensing; W. Charles Kaiser, Director of Information Quality; Faye Morton, General Counsel

**Personnel** 24 unclassified; 1 temporary

**History and Function** The commission as well as the department were created by the Oklahoma Legislature in 1959. The commission is the policy making and governing authority of the department. The department's functions include the regulation of securities agents, broker-dealers, investment adviser representatives and investment advisers. These persons and firms are registered and examined under provisions of the Oklahoma Uniform Securities Act of 2004. The department is also responsible for the registration of stocks, bonds, and many other types of securities as provided under the very broad definition of securities in the act. The objectives of the department are protecting the investing public from securities fraud, eliminating unfair sales practices in the market place, and maintaining the market's integrity in Oklahoma.

## Shorthand Reporters, State Board of Examiners of Certified

(20 O.S. §1501) Recreated until July 1, 2023.

2100 N Lincoln, Suite 3, Oklahoma City 73105

405/556-9300

**Administration** Jari Askins, Court Administrator; Tammy Reaves, Administrator of Court Services Programs

**History and Function** Created by the Oklahoma Legislature in 1970, the board is composed of five court reporters appointed by the chief justice of the Oklahoma Supreme Court. Functions of the board include licensing of shorthand reporters and conducting proceedings to recommend suspension, revocation, or reinstatement of licenses of certified reporters.

## Social Workers, Oklahoma State Board of Licensed

(59 O.S. § 1253) Recreated until July 1, 2023

Agency Code 622 (1A)

[www.ok.gov/socialworkers](http://www.ok.gov/socialworkers)

3700 Classen Boulevard, Suite 162, Oklahoma City 73118

405/521-3712, FAX 405/521-3713

**Agency Mission** To safeguard the welfare of the public of the State of Oklahoma by establishing, promoting, and enforcing high standards of practice for licensed social workers.

**Agency Vision** To have strong public awareness of social work practices within the state. To maintain high standards that reflect best practice in the profession of social work. To ensure that qualified professionals are available to the citizens of Oklahoma.

**Agency Values** To be responsive to the needs of the potential licensees. The OSBLSW strives to process an application for licensure within a reasonable length of time. To be committed to protecting the public from the aberrant practices of any licensed social work professional. To be sensitive to the complaints concerning a professional licensed by the agency. Complaints in any form and from any source will be reviewed, acknowledged, and adjudicated with due process to a conclusion within a reasonable period of time. To perform the responsibilities of this board with integrity and professionalism.

**Administration** James Marks, Executive Director, [james.marks@oswb.ok.gov](mailto:james.marks@oswb.ok.gov)

## Space Industry Development Authority, Oklahoma (74 O.S. § 5203) Board (74 O.S. § 5207)

Agency Code 346

[www.airspaceport.ok.com](http://www.airspaceport.ok.com)

121 First Street, Burns Flat, Oklahoma, 73624

PO Box 689, Burns Flat, Oklahoma, 73624

580/562-3500, FAX 580/562-3499

**Mission Statement** To be aggressive, deliberate, and forceful in the planning and development of spaceport facilities, launch systems, and projects, and to successfully promote and stimulate the creation of space commerce, education, and space-related industries in Oklahoma.

**Administration** Craig Smith, Executive Director, [craig.smith@okspaceport.ok.gov](mailto:craig.smith@okspaceport.ok.gov)

**Personnel** 6 unclassified, non-merit

## Special Advocate, Court Appointed

Office of Attorney General  
[www.oklahomacasa.org](http://www.oklahomacasa.org)

405/521-3921, FAX 405/521-6246

## Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology, Board of Examiners for (59 O.S. § 1607) Recreated until July 1, 2021.

Agency Code 632 (IA)  
Speech Pathology and Audiology  
3700 N Classen Blvd., Suite 248, Oklahoma City 73118  
405/524-4955, FAX 405/524-4985

[www.obespa.ok.gov](http://www.obespa.ok.gov)

E-mail—[amy.hall@obespa.ok.gov](mailto:amy.hall@obespa.ok.gov)

**Mission Statement** To protect the health and general welfare of the people of Oklahoma by ensuring that no person practices speech pathology or audiology unless he/she is licensed under the Speech Pathology and Audiology Licensing Act.

**Administration** Amy Hall, Executive Secretary/Director

**Personnel** 2 unclassified, non-merit

**History and Function** The board was recreated by the Oklahoma Legislature in 1982 to conduct examinations for the licensing of speech pathologists and audiologists.

## Statewide Nine-One-One Management Authority (63 O.S. § 2847)

[www.ok.gov/911](http://www.ok.gov/911)

## Tax Commission, Oklahoma (68 O.S. § 102)

Agency Code 695 (IA)  
M.C. Connors Building, 2501 N Lincoln Boulevard, Oklahoma City 73194-0001  
405/521-3160, 800/522-8165

[www.tax.ok.gov](http://www.tax.ok.gov)

Tulsa Office 918/581-2979

**Mission Statement** To serve the people of Oklahoma by promoting tax compliance through quality service and fair administration.

**Tax Commissioners** Charles Praer, Chair; Clark Jolley, Vice Chair; and Steve Burrage, Secretary-Member

**Administration** Jay Doyle, Executive Director, 405/521-3214  
Diedra O'Neil, Chief Administrative Officer, 405/522-1656  
Joanne Cook, Chief Customer Officer, 405/522-4180  
Jim Green, Chief Operations Officer, 405/522-6233  
Account Maintenance Division—Jessica Coghill, 405/521-6925  
Ad Valorem Division—Joseph Hapgood, 405/319-8227  
Apportionment & Revenue Division, Carol Schonavec, 405/521-6168  
Audit Services Division, Bradley Johnson, 405/522-3438  
Business Operations Division, Patricia Garcia, 405/522-0390  
Central Processing Division—Fredda Puckett, 405/521-3176  
Counsel to the Commissioners—Ernest H. Short, 405/521-3213  
Digital Communications Division, April Gonzalez, 405/522-5810  
Economist—Huan Gong, 405/522-3134  
General Counsel—Joe Gappa, 405/522-9460  
Human Resources Division—Stacy Pederson, 405/522-5599  
Motor Vehicle Division—Nichole Gillet, 405/521-2801  
Press Release/Legislative Liaison, Paula Ross, 405/521-4238  
Tax Policy And Research Division—Rick Miller, 405/521-3133  
Taxpayer Assistance Division—Jerry Leonard, 405/522-1626

**Personnel** 451 classified, 251 unclassified

**History and Function** Throughout the decades, the Tax Commission has prioritized a flexible organization that encourages keeping pace with changes in technology, government structure and the ever-changing lifestyles of our taxpayers.

The commission is responsible for the administration and enforcement of state tax laws, collection of a majority of all state-levied taxes, fees and licenses; and the subsequent apportionment and allocation of revenues earmarked to various state agencies and local units of government. In its quasi-judicial capacity, the commission has the authority to subpoena witnesses and records, to administer oaths and to render decisions appealable directly to the Oklahoma Supreme Court.

Each of the three members of the Commission is appointed, to a six-year term, by the governor and confirmed by the Oklahoma Senate. This gubernatorial appointment process has remained in effect since 1931, with changes established in 1947 by Oklahoma Legislature to stagger the terms. A commissioner appointment comes up every two years. The commissioners are responsible for the supervision of the administration and enforcement of state tax laws and the collection of a majority of all state-levied taxes and fees.

## Teachers' Retirement System of Oklahoma (70 O.S. § 17–102) Trustees (70 O.S. § 17–106)

Agency Code 715 (1A)

[www.ok.gov/trs](http://www.ok.gov/trs)

301 NW 63 Street, Suite 500, Oklahoma City 73116

PO Box 53524, Oklahoma City 73152–3524

405/521–2387, FAX 405/522–2521, Toll Free 877/738–6365

**Mission Statement** The Oklahoma Teachers' Retirement System's mission is to collect, protect, and grow assets to provide a secure retirement income for public education employees.

**Administration** Tom Spencer, Executive Director, 405/521–4745; Sarah Green, General Counsel; John Santos, Deputy Executive Director of Operations; Dixie Moody, Director of Client Services; Sam Moore, Director of Finance/CFO; Kim D. Bold, Director of Human Resources; Kirk Stebbins, Chief Investment Officer

**Personnel** 40 unclassified

**History and Function** The Teacher's Retirement system provides retirement benefits to Oklahoma's public educators and support staff. Following voter approval of a constitutional amendment, the system was established by legislative act and became effective July 1, 1943. Active members contribute 7 percent of their gross salary per school year. The state provides a percentage of certain taxes and other revenue directly to the system. For instance, the system receives 5.0 percent of the state's sales and income taxes and 5.0 percent of the state lottery income. In addition, the system receives contributions from public education employers. The board of trustees has responsibility for the general operations of the Teachers' Retirement System. The board is composed of fifteen members: six appointed by the governor, and four appointed by the legislature, four ex-officio members, and one non-voting member appointed by a statewide retiree organization. Eight of the fifteen members are plan participants. Five members are from the business community, and two are statewide public officers who serve ex-officio.

## Textbook Committee, Oklahoma State (Constitution, Article 8 § 6; 70 O.S. § 16–101)

State Department of Education, Instructional Materials Section (1A)

Oliver Hodge Building, 2500 N Lincoln Boulevard, Oklahoma City 73105–4599

405/521–3456, FAX 405/521–2971

E-mail—[rebecca.morales@sde.ok.gov](mailto:rebecca.morales@sde.ok.gov)

**Administration** Rebecca Morales, Director, Instructional Materials

**History and Function** The Oklahoma Constitution was amended in 1946 to provide for a system of free textbooks for common schools and for the appointment of a committee by the governor to supervise the selection of multiple lists of textbooks from which local school district committees make a final selection of textbooks.

## Tobacco Settlement Endowment Trust Fund, Board of Directors of the (Constitution, Article 10 § 40)

Agency Code 092

[www.tset.ok.gov](http://www.tset.ok.gov)

2800 N Lincoln Boulevard, Suite 202, Oklahoma City 73105

866/530–8738, 405/521–3888, FAX 405/525–6104

**Mission Statement** To improve the health and quality of life of all Oklahomans through accountable programs and services that address the hazards of tobacco use and other health issues.

**Administration** Julie Bisbee, Executive Director

**History and Function** The Oklahoma Tobacco Settlement Endowment Trust was established in November 2000 by a vote of the people of Oklahoma, directing the earnings from the trust to fund programs that are designed to improve the health and well-being of all Oklahomans.

**Tobacco Settlement Endowment Trust Fund, Board of Investors of the** (Constitution, Article 10 § 40)

## Tourism and Recreation Department, Oklahoma (74 O.S. § 2201)

### Commission (74 O.S. § 2201)

Agency Code 566 (1A)

[okfilmmusic.com](http://okfilmmusic.com) [www.travelok.com](http://www.travelok.com)

900 N Stiles, Oklahoma City 73104–3234; PO Box 52002, Oklahoma City, 73152–2002

Literature Requests and Oklahoma City Office—800/652–6552, Reservations for Lodging at State Parks available at

[www.travelok.com/state-parks/bookings#state-park-menu-tabs](http://www.travelok.com/state-parks/bookings#state-park-menu-tabs) or 800/654–8240

**Mission Statement** To advance the exceptional quality of life in Oklahoma by preserving, maintaining, and promoting our natural assets and cultural richness.

**Administration** Jerry Winchester, Executive Director, 405/522–9616  
Deputy Executive Director, Gino DeMarco, 405/522–9647

Administrative Services, Katherine Nichols, 405/522-9558  
 Human Resources, LaRonda Molina, 405/521-5247  
 Oklahoma Film & Music Office, Tava Sofsky, 405/522-9636  
 State Parks Division, Kris Marek, 405/522-9511  
 Tourism Promotion Division, Jennifer Mullins, 405/522-9550

**Personnel** 78 classified, 325 unclassified, 325 temporary (seasonal)

**History and Function** Administered by an executive director, the department began in 1931 when the Oklahoma Legislature appropriated funds for the land on which Lake Murray is located. In 1951 Lake Murray State Park also became the site for the first of seven state-owned lodges. Through the years, park, lodge, and tourism programs rested in the Planning and Resources Board, the Department of Commerce and Industry, and the Industrial Development and Park Department. In 1972 the legislature created the Oklahoma Tourism and Recreation Department, which is made up of four divisions.

The Division of State Parks operates the Oklahoma State Parks System, providing a myriad of affordable outdoor recreational and vacation opportunities to millions of visitors every year.

The Oklahoma Film and Music Office promotes the film and music industry by actively recruiting film and music productions to utilize our incredible talent and take advantage of the 12 eco-regions of unique terrain.

The Travel Promotion Division markets Oklahoma through regional, national, and international advertisement and travel promotion programs such as Travel Information Centers, “Discover Oklahoma” television show, and “Oklahoma Today” magazine, and Oklahoma’s tourism information site “TravelOk.com.”

In 2018 tourism was Oklahoma’s third largest industry and contributed nearly \$9.6 billion to Oklahoma’s economy in direct visitor spending; \$708 million in state and local taxes; and supported over 103,600 jobs throughout the state.

**Oklahoma Tourism Promotion Advisory Committee** (68 O.S. § 50015)

## Transportation, Department of (69 O.S. § 4002)

Agency Code 345 (IA)

[www.odot.org](http://www.odot.org)

R.A. Ward Transportation Building, 200 NE 21 Street, Oklahoma City 73105  
 405/522-8000, FAX 405/521-2524

**Mission Statement** To provide a safe, economical, and effective transportation network for the people, commerce, and communities of Oklahoma.

**Administration** Tim Gatz, Executive Director, Secretary of Transportation; Terri Angier, Interagency Liaison & Public Relations Advisor, Office of Secretary Gatz; Dawn Sullivan, Deputy Director; Brian Taylor, Chief Engineer; Tim Tegeler, Director of Engineering; Darren Saliba, Director of Operations; Rick Johnson, Director of Capital Programs; Chelley Hilmes, Finance & Administration; and Sara Penn, General Counsel.

**Personnel** 2,274 classified, 107 unclassified (includes commissioners), 2 temporary

**History and Function** Created by the Oklahoma Legislature in 1976 as an overall coordinating agency for the state’s highways, railways, and waterways, this agency superseded the original Oklahoma State Department of Highways, implemented by legislation in 1911. The Oklahoma Aeronautics Commission and Rail Planning were also placed under ODOT jurisdiction. The Waterways Branch was transferred from the Commerce Department to ODOT in 1993. The Oklahoma Aeronautics Commission became a separate agency as of July 1, 2002. The department is primarily funded by motor vehicle fuel taxes, legislative appropriations, and a return of federal matching dollars from the Federal Highway Trust Fund. ODOT’s annual budget, totaling more than \$1.7 billion in federal and state funds, is applied to highway construction and maintenance activities, railways, waterways, public rural transit programs and administration statewide. While the primary business is construction and maintenance of the state’s highways, the agency also promotes intermodal transportation. A nine-member Transportation Commission appointed by the governor, Oklahoma Speaker of the House, and President Pro Tempore of the Oklahoma Senate sets departmental policy and oversees general operations. The commission is made up of eight members representing geographic districts corresponding with ODOT’s eight field divisions, along with one at-large member. The commission meets on the first Monday of each month in the R.A. Ward Transportation Building in Oklahoma City.

**Field Divisions** Division 1, Muskogee, 918/687-5407; Division 2, Antlers, 580/298-3371; Division 3, Ada, 580/332-1526; Division 4, Perry, 580/336-7340; Division 5, Clinton, 580/323-1431; Division 6, Buffalo, 580/735-2561; Division 7, Duncan, 580/255-7586; Division 8, Tulsa, 918/838-9933.

**Advanced Mobility Program Advisory Council** (3 O.S. § 374)

**Highway Construction Materials Technician Certification Board** (69 O.S. § 1953)

**Oklahoma Tourism Signage Advisory Task Force** (74 O.S. § 1891)

**Tribal Advisory Board** (69 O.S. § 302.2)

**Waterways Advisory Board** (69 O.S. § 4018)

## Tuition Aid Grant Program, Oklahoma (OTAG)

Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education  
655 Research Parkway, Suite 200, Oklahoma City 73104  
405/225-9456, 800/858-1840, FAX 405/225-9392

[www.otag.org](http://www.otag.org)

E-mail—[studentinfo@osrhe.edu](mailto:studentinfo@osrhe.edu)

**Administration** Irala K. Magee, Assistant Vice Chancellor for Scholarship and Grant Administration

## Turnpike Authority, Oklahoma (69 O.S. § 1703)

Agency Code 978 (1A)  
3500 Martin Luther King Avenue, Oklahoma City 73111  
405/425-3600, FAX 405/425-7404

[www.pikepass.com](http://www.pikepass.com)

PO Box 11357, Oklahoma City 73136-0357

**Mission Statement** Partnering with others, we provide our customers with a choice of a safe, convenient, efficient, user-funded transportation network focusing on fiscal responsibility and promoting economic development.

**Administration** Tim Gatz, Executive Director; Alan Freeman, Assistant Executive Director, Finance, and Administration; Joe Echelle, Assistant Executive Director, Maintenance, Engineering, and Construction; David Machamer, Assistant Executive Director, Toll and PIKEPASS Operations; and Paul Caesar, Chief Information Security Officer.

**Personnel** 445 classified, 75 unclassified, merit

**History and Function** Inaugurated during the administration of Governor Roy J. Turner in 1947, the authority constructed the Turner Turnpike between Oklahoma City and Tulsa. This toll road reached its sixtieth year of service May 16, 2013. Created to facilitate traffic throughout the state, this system of toll roads, approved by the legislature, has been financed through the sale of revenue bonds. The authority now operates ten turnpikes totaling 612 miles. The membership of the authority consists of the governor, an ex officio member, and six members appointed by the governor with confirmation by the Oklahoma Senate. There are six districts within the Turnpike System and one member is appointed from each district.

## Used Motor Vehicle and Parts Commission, Oklahoma (47 O.S. § 582)

Agency Code 755  
421 NW 13 Street, Suite 330, Oklahoma City 73103

[www.usedcarcommission.ok.gov](http://www.usedcarcommission.ok.gov)  
405/521-3600, FAX 405/521-3604

**Mission Statement** To license and regulate used motor vehicle dealers, wholesale motor vehicle dealers, automotive dismantlers, rebuilders, manufactured home dealers, manufacturers, and installers; to create an atmosphere of fair competition among equally regulated dealers; and to protect the interests of the consuming public.

**Administration** John W. Maile, Executive Director

**Personnel** 10 unclassified, non-merit

**Manufactured Home Advisory Committee** (47 O.S. § 582.1)

## Veterans Affairs, Oklahoma Department of (72 O.S. § 63.1)

Agency Code 650 (1A)  
Veterans Commission of Oklahoma, 2132 NE 36 Street, Oklahoma City, 73111, Box 53067, Oklahoma City 73152  
405/523-4000, FAX 405/523-4008

[www.odva.ok.gov](http://www.odva.ok.gov)

**Mission Statement** In partnership with the Secretary of Veterans Affairs, the Oklahoma Department of Veterans Affairs, state and local agencies, and veterans services organizations, the State of Oklahoma will facilitate in providing to the veterans residing in Oklahoma the highest quality support and care available anywhere in the nation.

**Administration** Joel Kintsel, Executive Director, 405/523-4000; Sarah Lane, Deputy Director, 405/523-4000

Claims and Benefits Programs Administrator, Jackie Whitten, 405/523-4021

Lawton: Jodi Opunui, SW Regional Claims Programs Administrator, 580/354-4193

Muskogee: Angie Bilby, Manager of Muskogee Claims and Benefits Office, 918/781-7766

McAlester: Catherine Meredith, SE Claims Programs Manager, 918/577-0372

Oklahoma City: Randy Reynolds, NW Regional Claims Programs Manager, 918/781-9253

Tulsa: Brian Gibson, NE Regional Claims Programs Administrator, 918/348-4901

Ardmore Veterans Center: SMarsha Huddleston, Administrator, 580/223-2266

Claremore Veterans Center: Amy Hammett, Administrator, 918/342-5432

Clinton Veterans Center: Stephanie Taylor, Administrator, 580/331-2200

Lawton Veterans Center: Michael Russell, Administrator, 580/351-6511

Norman Veterans Center: Rob Arrington, Administrator, 405/360-5600

Sulphur Veterans Center: Pamela Arms, Administrator, 580/622-2144  
 Talihina Veterans Center: Sarah Brashear, Administrator, 918/567-2251

**History and Function** Created by the Oklahoma Legislature in 1947 as the successor to the Soldiers Relief Commission, the department is responsible for the administration of the general duties of the commission, which includes assistance to veterans and their dependents in obtaining benefits.

**Personnel** 1,615 classified, 382 unclassified

**Claims Offices**

Muskogee: 125 S Main, Room 1B38, Muskogee 74401, 888/655-2838  
 Lawton: 501 SE Flower Mound Road, PO Box 849, Lawton 73502, 580/354-3033  
 Tulsa: (pending new location)  
 Medical Center, Muskogee, (pending new location)  
 Medical Center, Oklahoma City, (pending new location)

**Veterans Commission** (72 O.S. § 63.1)

2132 NE 36 Street, Oklahoma City 73111 405/523-4000

**Veterinary Medical Examiners, Board of** (59 O.S. § 698.3)

Agency Code 790 (IA) www.okvetboard.com  
 2920 N Lincoln Boulevard, Suite C, Oklahoma City 73105 405/522-8831, FAX 405/522-8034

**Mission Statement** To regulate the practice of veterinary medicine by the licensure of veterinarians and veterinary technicians, as well as the investigation of complaints to ensure that licensed veterinarians and euthanasia technicians are practicing within the provisions of the law.

**Administration** Cathy Kirkpatrick, Executive Director

**Personnel** 6 unclassified, non-merit

**History and Function** The board was established by the Oklahoma Legislature in 1913 and is the chief regulatory agency for the practice of veterinary medicine, including the licensing and enforcement of state laws and rules and regulations of the board. This also includes the veterinary technicians. Re-created until July 1, 2023.

**Animal Commission Advisory Committee** (59 O.S. § 529)

**Examination Committee** (59 O.S. § 698.30a)

**Visual and Performing Arts, Oklahoma School for the** (70 O.S. § 1210.451)

**Mission Statement** OKArts will provide excellence in arts education and will deliver comprehensive academic programs for gifted and talented visual and performing arts students from across the State of Oklahoma. This extraordinary high school will fulfill a two-fold mission: It will provide each student with outstanding, professional preparation via a conservatory arts education; it will also equip the students with college preparatory academics.

**Visual and Performing Arts Board of Trustees, Oklahoma School for the** (70 O.S. § 1210.451)

**Water Resources Board, Oklahoma** (82 O.S. § 1085.1)

Agency Code 835 (IA) www.owrb.ok.gov  
 3800 Classen Boulevard, Oklahoma City 73118-2855 405/530-8800, FAX 405/530-8900  
 Woodward—2411 Williams Avenue, Suite 116, 73801, 580/256-1014

**Mission** The mission of the OWRB is to protect and enhance the quality of life for Oklahomans by managing and improving the state's water resources to ensure clean and reliable water supplies, a strong economy, and a healthy environment.

**Administration** Julie Cunningham, Executive Director; Sara Gibson, General Counsel; Joe Freeman, Chief, Financial Assistance; Bill Cauthron, Chief, Water Quality Programs; Kent Wilkins, Chief, Planning And Management; Cleve Pierce, Chief, Administrative Services

**Personnel** 100

**History and Function** Created in 1957, the nine-member board is composed of nine members appointed by the governor for terms of seven years each, with the advice and consent of the Oklahoma Senate. Membership is regional representation based on nine regions of the state, as provided in Title 82, Oklahoma Statutes, section 1085.1 At all times, at least one member of the board shall be well versed in each of the following types of water use: recreational, industrial, irrigational, municipal, rural residential, agricultural, soil conservation work, and oil and gas production. Not more than two members may be selected representing any one of the major types of water use. The board administers financial assistance programs, water use permits, the water well drillers licensing program, dam safety, floodplain management programs, the Beneficial

Use Monitoring Program, promulgates state water quality standards, conducts special studies on lakes, and hydrologic investigations on aquifers.

**Water for 2060 Produced Working Group** (82 O.S. § 1088.14)

## **Waterways Advisory Board** (69 O.S. § 4018)

Agency Code 345 (IA)  
 ODOT Waterways Branch  
 4002 N Mingo Valley Expressway, Tulsa 74116-5002

Oklahoma Department of Transportation  
 E-mail—waterways@odot.org  
 918/838-9933, FAX—918/834-5233

The board consists of seven members to advise the Oklahoma Department of Transportation (ODOT), and ODOT Waterways Branch on matters relating to the promotion and viability of Oklahoma's commercially-navigable waterway, the McClellan-Kerr Arkansas River Navigation System (MKARNS). Members are appointed by the director of the Oklahoma Department of Transportation and shall consist of the two executive directors of Oklahoma's two active public ports, commonly known as the Tulsa Port of Catoosa and the Port of Muskogee; two members from private port operations with existing waterfront facilities which regularly employ the use of barge transportation; one member from the public at-large who has professional experience and expertise in shipping, freight logistics or construction, operation, maintenance, and rehabilitation of transportation systems; and two members appointed at-large from business and/or industry associated with inland navigation.

The board shall serve in an advisory capacity to ODOT, the governor's office and the Oklahoma Legislature in accomplishing its mission, assist in the development of rules, standards, policies, procedures, and directions of the ODOT Waterways Branch, and recommend specific public and private actions that would enable this state to utilize its waterways to promote future growth. The Waterways Branch works with local, state, and federal agencies to promote a better understanding of the state's navigable waterway and works to ensure adequate funding is appropriated to the Corps of Engineers for the operation and maintenance of the system. The Corps of Engineers has the role of operating and maintaining the MKARNS and the U.S. Coast Guard is responsible for the safety, security, and regulations on the MKARNS.

The 445-mile long MKARNS is an international water route to the Mississippi River and seaports of the world. Completed in 1970 at a cost of \$1.3 billion, the system has eighteen locks and dams (five in Oklahoma). The 2,500-acre Tulsa Port of Catoosa is one of the largest, most inland, ice-free ports in the nation, with over seventy industries and more than 4,000 employees. An estimated nearly 11 million tons valued around \$3.5 billion were shipped on the entire MKARNS in 2018. Commodities with the most tonnage were chemical fertilizer; iron and steel; soybeans; wheats and other grains; and petroleum products.

## **Wildlife Conservation, Department of** (Constitution, Article 26 § 1;29:3-101)

### **Commission** (Constitution, Article 26 §1;29:3-101)

Agency Code 320 (IA)  
 1801 N Lincoln, Oklahoma City, 73105  
 405/521-3851, FAX 405/521-6535

www.wildlifedepartment.com  
 PO Box 53465, Oklahoma City 73152

**Mission Statement** The department's mission is to manage and protect fish and wildlife, along with their habitats, while also growing our community of hunters and anglers, partnering with those who love the outdoors, and fostering stewardship with those who care for the land.

**Administration** J.D. Strong, Director, 405/522-6279; Wade Free, Assistant Director, 405/521-4660; Amanda Storck, CFO, Chief of Administration, 405/521-6685; Bill Dinkines, Wildlife, Chief, 405/521-2739; Nels Rodefelf, Information/Education, Chief, 405/521-3855; Barry Bolton, Fisheries, Chief, 405/521-3721; Nathann Erdman, Law Enforcement, Chief, 405/521-3719; Nels Rodefelf, *Outdoor Oklahoma* magazine, Editor, 405-521-3855

**Personnel** 325 unclassified, 59 temporary, non-merit

## **Workers' Compensation Commission, Oklahoma** (SB 1062)

1915 N Stiles, Oklahoma City, OK 73105  
 www.ok.gov/wcc

405/522-3222

**Administration** Mark Liotta, Chair; Jordan Russell, Commissioner; Megan Tilly, Commissioner; Hopper Smith, Executive Director

**History and Function** Created by the Oklahoma Legislature in 2013 (SB 1062), the commission moved the workers' compensation system from a judicially based system to an administrative system. The commission consists of three commissioners appointed by the governor with the advice and consent of the Oklahoma Senate. Workers who are injured on or after February 1, 2014, may have their cases heard by an administrative law judge appointed by the commission. The commissioners also serve as an appellate body, and they perform other regulatory duties as they pertain to workers' compensation issues.

# State Government Institutions

## Department of Corrections

### Institutions

- Charles E. "Bill" Johnson Correctional Center** (57 O.S. § 509) ■ 1856 E Flynn Street, Alva, 73717-3004 ■ Telephone 580/327-8000 ■ Becky Guffy, Warden
- Clara Waters Community Corrections Center** (57 O.S. § 509) ■ 9901 N I-35 Service Road, Oklahoma City, 73131-5228 ■ Telephone 405/254-3200 ■ Randy Matthews, Director
- Dr. Eddie Warrior Correctional Center** (57 O.S. § 509) ■ 400 North Oak, PO Box 315, Taft, 74463-0315 ■ Telephone 918/683-8365, ■ Natalie Cooper, Warden
- Enid Community Corrections Center** (57 O.S. § 509) ■ 2020 E Maine Avenue, Enid, 73701-6445 ■ Telephone 580/977-3800 ■ John Masquelier, Director
- Howard McLeod Correctional Center** (57 O.S. § 509) ■ 1970 E Whippoorwill Lane, Atoka, 74525-8415 ■ Telephone 580/889-6651 ■ Deon Clayton, Warden
- Jackie Brannon Correctional Center** (57 O.S. § 509) ■ PO Box 1999, McAlester, 74502-1999 ■ Telephone 918/421-3339 ■ Greg Breslin, Warden
- James Crabtree Correctional Center** (57 O.S. § 509) ■ 216 N Murray Street, Helena, 73741-1017 ■ Telephone 580/852-3221 ■ Rick Witten, Warden
- Jess Dunn Correctional Center** (57 O.S. § 509) ■ PO Box 316, Taft, 74463-0316 ■ Telephone 918/682-7841 ■ Sharon McCoy, Warden
- Jim E. Hamilton Correctional Center** (57 O.S. § 509) ■ 53468 Mineral Springs Road, Hodgen, 74939-3064  
Telephone 918/653-7831 ■ Blaine Nelson, Warden
- John H. Lilley Correctional Center** (57 O.S. § 509) ■ 407971 Highway 62 E, Boley, 74829-6600 ■ Telephone 918/667-3381 ■ Debbie Aldridge, Warden
- Joseph Harp Correctional Center** (57 O.S. § 509) ■ PO Box 548, Lexington, 73051-0548 ■ Telephone 405/527-5593 ■ Luke Pettigrew, Warden
- Kate Barnard Community Corrections Center** (57 O.S. § 509) ■ 3300 N Martin Luther King Avenue, Oklahoma City, 73111-4217 ■ Telephone 405/425-2900 ■ Jeff Dunkin, Warden
- Lawton Community Corrections Center** (57 O.S. § 509) ■ 605 SW Coombs Road, Lawton, 73501-8294  
Telephone 580/248-6703 ■ Angela Hearrell, Director
- Lexington Assessment and Reception Center** (57 O.S. § 509) ■ PO Box 260, Lexington, 73051-0260 ■ Telephone 405/527-5676 ■ Jerold Braggs Jr., Warden
- Mabel Bassett Correctional Center** (57 O.S. § 509) ■ 29501 Kickapoo Road, McLoud, 74851-8320 ■ Telephone 405/964-3020 ■ Aboutanaa El Habti, Warden
- Mack Alford Correctional Center** (57 O.S. § 509) ■ PO Box 220, Stringtown, 74569-0220 ■ Telephone 580/346-7301 ■ Jim Farris, Warden
- North Fork Correction Center** (57 O.S. § 509) ■ 1605 E Main Street, Sayre, 73662-3122, ■ Telephone 580/928-8000 ■ Jimmy Martin, Warden
- Northeast Oklahoma Correctional Center** (57 O.S. § 509) ■ 442586 E 250 Road, Vinita, 74301-5550  
Telephone 918/256-3392 ■ Casey Hamilton, Warden
- Oklahoma City Community Corrections Center** (57 O.S. § 509) ■ 315 West I-44 Service Road, Oklahoma City, 73118-7634 ■ Telephone 405/463-7800 ■ Peggy Carter Jones, Director
- Oklahoma State Penitentiary** (57 O.S. § 509) ■ PO Box 97, McAlester, 74502-0097 ■ Telephone 918/423-4700 ■ Tommy Sharp, Warden
- Oklahoma State Reformatory** (57 O.S. § 509) ■ PO Box 514, Granite, 73547-0514 ■ Telephone 580/480-3700 ■ Dwayne Janis, Warden
- R.B. Dick Conner Correctional Center** (57 O.S. § 509) ■ 129 Conner Road, Hominy, 74035 ■ Telephone 918/594-1300 ■ Janet Dowling, Warden
- Union City Community Corrections Center** (57 O.S. § 509) ■ PO Box 129, Union City, 73090-0129 ■ Telephone 405/483-5900 ■ Scott Nunn, Director

**William S. Key Correctional Center** (57 O.S. § 509) ■ PO Box 61, Fort Supply, 73841-0061 ■ Telephone 580/766-2224 ■ Lonnie Lawson, Warden

## Probation and Parole Offices

**Administration** ■ 3400 N Martin Luther King Blvd., Oklahoma City, 73111 ■ Telephone 405/425-7100 ■ James Rudek, Director

**Region I Probation and Parole** ■ Telephone 918/302-3103 ■ Anthony Rowell, Deputy Director

**Region II Probation and Parole** ■ Telephone 405/425-2649 ■ Joshua Young, Deputy Director

**Community Sentencing** ■ Telephone 405/425-2690, ■ Courtney Jones, Administrator

## Office of Juvenile Affairs

**Central Oklahoma Juvenile Center** (HB 1978, 1995) ■ 700 S 9 Street, Tecumseh, 74873 ■ Telephone 405/598-2135, FAX 405/598-8713 ■ Jerry Fry, Superintendent

**Oklahoma Youth Academy Charter School** ■ 3812 N Santa Fe, Suite 400, Oklahoma City 73126 ■ Telephone

405/530-2878, FAX 405/530-2893 ■ Melissa White, Education Director/Superintendent

**Southwestern Oklahoma Juvenile Center** ■ 300 S Broadway, Manitou, 73555 ■ Telephone 580/397-3511, FAX 580/397-3491 ■ Marc Norvell, Superintendent

## Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services

**Carl Albert Community Mental Health Center** (43A:3-102) ■ 1101 East Monroe, PO Box 579, McAlester, 74502 ■ Telephone 918/426-7800, FAX 918/426-5526

**Central Oklahoma Community Mental Health Center** (43A:3-103) ■ 909 East Alameda, PO Box 400, Norman 73070 ■ Telephone 405/360-5100, FAX 405/573-3958

**Children's Recovery Center of Oklahoma** (43A:3-101) ■ 320 12 Avenue NE, Norman, 73071 ■ Telephone 405/573-3819, FAX 405/573-3804

**Griffin Memorial Hospital** (43A:3-101) ■ 900 E Main, PO Box 151, Norman, 73070 ■ Telephone 405/321-4880, FAX 405/321-4514

**Jim Taliaferro Community Mental Health Center** (43A:3-102) ■ 602 Southwest 38 Street, Lawton, 73505 ■ Telephone 580/248-5780, FAX 580/248-3610

**Northwest Center for Behavioral Health** (43A:3-107A) (formerly known as Western State Psychiatric Center) ■ 1222 10 Street, Suite 211, Woodward 73801 ■ Telephone 580/571-3233, FAX 580/254-2985

**Oklahoma County Crisis Intervention Center** ■ 2625 General Pershing Blvd., Oklahoma City 73107 ■ Telephone 405/942-2300, FAX 405/942-2303

**Oklahoma County Recovery Unit** ■ 1200 NE 13 Street, PO Box 53722, Oklahoma City 73152 ■ Telephone 405/248-9368, FAX 405/579-8701

**Oklahoma Forensic Center** ■ PO Box 69, Vinita 73152 ■ Telephone 918/256-7841, FAX 918/526-4491

**Rose Rock Recovery Center** (43A:3-107) Formerly, Vinita Alcohol and Drug Treatment Center ■ 24919 S 4420 Road, Vinita, 74301 ■ Telephone 918/256-9210, FAX 918/256-6377

**Tulsa Center for Behavioral Health** (43A:3-107) Formerly, Vinita Alcohol and Drug Treatment Center ■ 2323 S Harvard, Tulsa, 74114 ■ Telephone 918/293-2140, FAX 918/712-7164

## Department of Rehabilitation Services

### Oklahoma School for the Blind

(Constitution, Article 21 § 1, 10 O.S. § 1418, 70 O.S. § 1721) ■ 3300 Gibson Street, Muskogee, 74403 ■ Telephone 918/781-8200, 877/229-7136 ■ www.osb.k12.ok.us ■ Rita Echelle, Superintendent

### Oklahoma School for the Deaf

(Constitution, Article 21 § 1, 10 O.S. § 1418, 70 O.S. § 1731) ■ 1100 E Oklahoma, Sulphur, 73086 ■ Telephone 580/622-4900, 888/685-3323 ■ www.osd.k12.ok.us ■ Chris Dvorak, Superintendent

## Department of Veterans Affairs

**Oklahoma Veterans Center, Ardmore Division** (72 O.S. § 221) ■ 1015 S Commerce, PO Box 489, Ardmore, 73402 ■ Telephone 580/223-2266, FAX 580/221-5606 ■ Shawn Kirkland, Administrator

**Oklahoma Veterans Center, Claremore Division** (72 O.S. § 221.2) ■ 3001 West Blue Starr Drive, PO Box 988, Claremore, 74018 ■ Telephone 918/342-5432, FAX 918/342-0835 ■ Amy Hammett, Administrator

**Oklahoma Veterans Center, Clinton Division** (72 O.S. § 226) ■ 1701 S 4 Street, PO Box 1209, Clinton 73601 ■ Telephone 580/331-2200, FAX 580/323-4834 ■ Brenda Jarrell, Administrator

**Oklahoma Veterans Center, Lawton/Fort Sill Division** (72 O.S. § 221.2a) ■ 501 SE Flower Mound Road, PO Box 849, Lawton, 73502 ■ Telephone 580/351-6511, FAX 580/351-6526 ■ Michael Russell, Administrator

**Oklahoma Veterans Center, Norman Division** (72 O.S. § 221.1) ■ 1776 E Robinson, PO Box 1668, Norman, 73070 ■ Telephone 405/360-5600, FAX 405/364-8432 ■ Rob Arrington, Administrator

**Oklahoma Veterans Center, Sulphur Division** (72 O.S. § 221) ■ 304 E Fairlane, Sulphur, 73086 ■ Telephone 580/622-2144, FAX 580/622-5881 ■ Pamela Arms, Administrator

**Oklahoma Veterans Center, Talihina Division** (72 O.S. § 229) ■ 10014 Southeast 1138 Avenue, PO Box 1168, Talihina, 74571 ■ Telephone 918/567-2251, FAX 918/567-2950 ■ Sarah Brashear, Administrator

# Interstate Compacts, Regional Entities, and State-beneficiary Public Trusts

## **Adult Offender Supervision, Interstate Compact for** (22 O.S. § 1091–1095)

Department of Corrections, Community Corrections Office  
3400 N Martine Luther King Blvd., Oklahoma City 73111  
www.doc.ok.gov

405/425-7100

**Administration** James Rudek, Commissioner, Director of Oklahoma Department of Corrections Community Corrections Office

**History and Function** The Interstate Compact for Adult Offender Supervision was established to control the transfer of offenders (Probation/Parole) across the state lines in a manner that promotes effective supervision strategies consistent with public safety, offender accountability, and victim's rights. This unit is part of the Department of Corrections, Community Corrections Division and is responsible for ensuring Oklahoma's compliance with the Compact.

## **American Indian Cultural Center and Museum Trust Authority**

(74 O.S. § 1226.21) Created as a public trust.

## **Arkansas-Oklahoma Arkansas River Compact Commission** (82 O.S. § 1421)

Oklahoma Water Resources Board  
3800 Classen Boulevard, Oklahoma City 73118

405/530-8800, FAX 405/530-8900

**Administration** Stephen Baldridge, Scott Thompson, and Julie Cunningham, Oklahoma Commissioners; Yohanes Sugeng, Oklahoma Member, Engineering Committee; Kent Wilkins, Oklahoma Member, Budget Committee; Bill Cauthron, Oklahoma Member, Environment and Natural Resources Committee; Sara Gibson, Oklahoma Member, Legal Committee.

**History and Function** The major purposes of the compact are to promote interstate comity between the states of Arkansas and Oklahoma, to provide an equitable apportionment of the waters of the Arkansas River between the two states, and to address water quality issues. The compact was approved in 1971 by both states and revisions approved by both states in 1972.

## **Audiology and Speech-Language Pathology, Interstate Compact** (SB1837, 2020)

## **Canadian River Commission** (82 O.S. § 526.1)

Oklahoma Water Resources Board  
3800 Classen Boulevard, Oklahoma City 73118

405/530-8800, FAX 405/530-8900

**Administration** Julie Cunningham, Oklahoma Commissioner; Ammon Brisolara, Assistant to Oklahoma Commissioner and Oklahoma Legal Committee Member; Yohanes Sugeng, Oklahoma Member, Engineering Committee.

**History and Function** Composed of representatives from the states of Oklahoma, New Mexico, and Texas, the commission's principal duties are to promote interstate comity in relation to the waters of the Canadian River; to provide for the construction of additional works to conserve the waters of the Canadian River, all in cooperation with the federal government under the terms of the Canadian River Compact.

## **Capital Investment Board, Oklahoma** (74 O.S. § 5085.2)

(State-beneficiary public trust)  
13905 Quail Point Drive, Suite A, Oklahoma City 73134 (1A)  
www.ocib.org

405/848-9456, FAX 405/842-6389

**Administration** Devon L. Sauzek, President

**Mission Statement** The Oklahoma Capital Investment Board (OCIB) is established to mobilize sources of equity and near-equity capital for Oklahoma businesses.

**History and Function** OCIB was established under a 1987 legislative act and began functioning in 1992. OCIB currently operates the Venture Investment Program which supports the funding of venture capital partnerships that meet the investment and strategic objectives of OCIB. OCIB guarantees investments in carefully selected venture capital partnerships, which agree to focus a portion of their time, talent, and capital on potential investment opportunities in high growth, high return Oklahoma businesses.

## Centennial Botanical Garden Authority, Oklahoma

(62 O.S. § 4001; Executive Order 2011–45) Created as a public trust.

www.ocbg.org or www.tulsabotanic.org

918/289-0330

## Children, Interstate Compact on the Placement of (10 O.S. § 577)

Department of Human Services

2400 N Lincoln Boulevard, Oklahoma City 73105-4601

405/521-2277, FAX 405/522-2433

**Administration** Amber Brookshire, Compact Administrator

**Children, Interstate Commission for the Placement of** (SB 906, 2008; 10 O.S. § 577)

## Corrections Compact, Institutions (57 O.S. § 601–602)

Department of Corrections, PO Box 11400, Oklahoma City 73136

405/425-2625, FAX 405/425-2608

**Mission Statement** To protect the public, the employees, and the offender.

**Administration** Lakeisha Seward, Interstate Corrections Compact Coordinator

**Interstate Compact for Adult Offender Supervision (ICAOS)**

2915 N Classen Blvd., Suite 200, Oklahoma City, 73106

**Administration** Frank Mesarick, Administrator, 405/425-2603

## County Energy District Authority

(19 O.S. § 460.2) Created as public trusts with a county option.

**Mission Statement** Allows county governments to establish PACE (Property-Assessed Clean Energy) programs to incentivize permanently fixed renewal energy or energy efficiency improvements to private properties through PACE loans.

## Crime Prevention and Privacy Compact Council, National

(74 O.S. § 150.9B; Article VI)

## Dairy Compact, Southern (2 O.S. § 7–10) Commission (Article III)

## Detainers, Interstate Agreement on (22 O.S. § 1347)

Office of the Governor

State Capitol Building, Room 212, Oklahoma City 73105

405/522-8821, FAX 405/521-3353

**Administration** Jeffrey Cartmell, Detainer Administrator

## Driver's License Compact (47 O.S. § 781)

Department of Public Safety

PO Box 11415, Oklahoma City 73136

3600 N Martin Luther King Avenue, Oklahoma City 73111

405/425-7034, FAX 405/425-2321

**Administration** John Scully, Commissioner and Oklahoma Compact Administrator; Patrick F. Mays, Chief of Administration; and Jeff Hankins, Driver License Services Director

**History and Function** Oklahoma enacted legislation in 1967 whereby the state became a member of the Driver's License Compact; an agreement whereby the various states recognize the laws of other member states relative to the operation of motor vehicles. In effect, the compact provides that Oklahoma, for the purpose of suspension, revocation or limitation of the license to operate a motor vehicle, shall take appropriate action against a driver if he/she is convicted of violating certain laws of other states.

## East Central Oklahoma Gas Authority (60 O.S. § 176)

(State-beneficiary public trust)

PO Box 776, Gore 74435

918/489-5592

**Administration** Horace Lindley, Administrator; Robert S. Ogg Jr., Chairperson

## Education Commission of the States, The (70 O.S. § 506.1 [Article III] [A])

Joy Hofmeister, Superintendent of Public Instruction (IA)

2500 N Lincoln Boulevard, Room 121, Oklahoma City 73105

405/521-4885, FAX 405/521-6205

E-mail—Joy.Hofmeister@sde.ok.gov

**History and Function** The Interstate Compact for Education has as its purpose the furtherance of education through the close cooperation and understanding among executive, legislative, professional, educational, and lay leadership on a nationwide basis, and at the state and local levels; and to provide a forum for the discussion, development, and recommendation of public policy alternatives in the field of education.

## Educational Personnel, Interstate Agreement on Qualification of (70 O.S. § 508.1)

(Nat'l. Assn. of State Directors of Teacher Education & Certification Interstate Contract)

State Department of Education

2500 N Lincoln Boulevard, Room 212, Oklahoma City 73105

E-mail—Jeff.Smith@sde.ok.gov

www.ok.gov/sde

405/521-3337, FAX 405/522-1520

**Administration** Jeff Smith, Executive Director, Teacher Certification, OKSDE

**Teacher Education and Certification Interstate Contract, National Association of State Directors of**  
www.nasdtec.net

## Emergency Management Compact (63 O.S. § 684.1)

PO Box 53365, Oklahoma City 73152

www.ok.gov/oem

**Administration** Oklahoma Department of Emergency Management

Mark Gower, Director, 405/521-2481, FAX 405/521-4053

**History and Function** Purpose is to provide for mutual assistance among the states entering into this compact in managing any emergency or disaster that is duly declared by the governor of the affected state, whether arising from natural disaster, technological hazard, man-made disaster, civil emergency aspects of resources shortages, community disorders, insurgency, or enemy attack. Also provides for mutual cooperation in emergency-related exercises, testing, or other training activities.

## Energy Compact of the Southern States (74 O.S. § 1051)

Southern States Energy Board

6325 Amherst Court, Peachtree Corners, Georgia 30092

E-mail—sseb@sseb.org

www.sseb.org

770/242-7712, FAX 770/242-0421

**Mission Statement** Through innovations in energy and environmental programs, policies, and technologies, the Southern States Energy Board enhances economic development and the quality of life in the South.

**Administration** Kenneth J. Nemeth, Executive Director and Secretary to the Board

**History and Function** The Southern States Energy Board is a non-profit interstate compact organization created in 1960 and established under Public Law 87-563 and 92-400. As an institution that has led to economic growth in the South, the Southern States Energy Board endeavors to reach the goal of sustainable development by implementing strategies that support its mission. SSEB develops, promotes, and recommends policies, technologies, and programs that protect and enhance the environment without compromising the needs of future generations. Sixteen southern states and two territories comprise the membership of SSEB. Each jurisdiction is represented by the governor and a legislator from the House and Senate. A governor serves as chairman and legislators serve as vice chairman and treasurer. Ex-officio, non-voting board members include a federal representative appointed by the president, the Southern Legislative Conference Energy and Environment Committee chairman and SSEB's executive director, who serves as secretary.

## Energy Council, The (Laws 1982, C. 282, § 3)

(For list of Oklahoma legislative members, call Oklahoma Senate 405/524-0126)

13760 Noel Road, Suite 1160, Dallas, TX 75240  
www.theenergycouncil.org

972/243-7788, FAX 972/243-7722

**Administration** Tara Shaw, Executive Director

### **Finance Authority, Oklahoma Development (ODFA)** (74 O.S. § 5062.2, 5062.6)

(Non-appropriated public trust)  
9220 N Kelley Avenue, Oklahoma City 73131

Agency Code 900 (IA)  
405/848-9761, FAX 405/848-3314

**Mission Statement** To assist in the creation and retention of employment throughout Oklahoma by providing a financing conduit or by providing loans to communities, businesses, and institutions without jeopardizing the credit rating of the state and at a minimum cost and minimal risk exposure to the taxpayers.

**Administration** Michael D. Davis, President; Jeremy Stoner, Senior Vice President; Sunny Dobbins, Vice President; Katherine Slifer, Assistant Vice President; Lorie Collier, Assistant Vice President

**Program Development and Credit Review Committee** (74 O.S. § 5062.6A)

### **Finance Authority, Oklahoma Industrial** (Constitution, Article 10 § 33A; 74 O.S. § 854)

(Non-appropriated public trust)  
9220 N Kelley Avenue, Oklahoma City 73131

Agency Code 370 (IA)  
405/842-1145, FAX 405/848-3314

**Mission Statement** To increase employment in Oklahoma and to help diversify the state's economy by issuing bonds and serving as a capital source for businesses.

**Administration** Michael D. Davis, President; Jeremy Stoner, Senior Vice President; Sunny Dobbins, Vice President; Katherine Slifer, Assistant Vice President; Lorie Collier, Assistant Vice President

**Personnel** 5 unclassified, non-merit

### **Health Care Commission, Interstate Advisory** (63 O.S. § 7300)

### **Health Information Exchange Trust, Oklahoma (OHIET)**

(63 O.S. § 1-132) Created as a public trust.

### **Housing Finance Agency, Oklahoma** (60 O.S. § 176)

(State-beneficiary public trust)  
Agency Code 922 (IA)  
100 NW 63 Street, Suite 200, Oklahoma City 73116  
405/848-1144, 800/256-1489, TDD 405/848-7471

www.ohfa.org  
PO Box 26720, Oklahoma City 73126

**Administration** Deborah Jenkins, Executive Director; Kurt Fite, Deputy Executive Director/CFO; Darrell Beavers, Housing Development Director; Lee Ann Smith, Single Family Programs Director; Tim Shackelford, Rental Assistance Director; and Holley Mangham, Communications Director

**Mission Statement** "To Provide Housing Resources with an Eagerness to Serve." Oklahoma Housing Finance Agency (OHFA) helps people purchase homes through the OHFA Homebuyer Downpayment Assistance Program. Through the Housing Choice Voucher Program, low-income families including individuals with disabilities may receive help paying rent. OHFA also administers federal programs which help developers to build and rehabilitate affordable rental housing across the state. OHFA is governed by a five-member board of trustees. Members are appointed by the governor and serve in staggered five-year terms.

**Juveniles, Interstate Commission for** (10 O.S. § 7309-1.7)

### **Kansas-Oklahoma Arkansas River Commission** (82 O.S. § 1401)

Oklahoma Water Resources Board  
3800 Classen Boulevard, Oklahoma City 73118

405/530-8800, FAX 405/530-8900

**Administration** Bryce Benson, Ross Kirtley, and Julie Cunningham, Oklahoma Commissioners; Yohanes Sugeng, Oklahoma Member, Engineering Committee; Kent Wilkins, Oklahoma Member, Budget and Finance Committee; Ammon Brisolaro, Oklahoma Member, Legal Committee

**History and Function** The Kansas-Oklahoma Arkansas River Compact was approved by the states in 1965 and 1966 and by the U.S. Congress in 1966. The major purposes of the compact are to promote interstate comity between the states of Kansas and Oklahoma, and to provide and apportion equitably between the states the waters of the Arkansas River Basin.

### **Kiamichi Economic Development District of Oklahoma (KEDDO)** (60 O.S. § 176)

(County-beneficiary public trust)  
1002 HWY 2 North, Wilburton 74578

www.keddo.org  
918/465-2367, FAX 918/465-3873, 800/722-8180

**Mission Statement** KEDDO's purpose is to achieve total community development which will result in a balanced blend of industrial, recreational, social, cultural, and educational forces to bring about a broadened socio-economic base of the seven county region. The objective of KEDDO is to enhance the living conditions and standards in the area for all communities.

**Administration** Danny Baldwin, Executive Director

**History and Function** In 1967 a group of local civic and business leaders met and petitioned the Economic Development Administration (EDA) for funding of a local organization to accomplish overall economic planning and development for the seven county region of Choctaw, Haskell, Latimer, LeFlore, McCurtain, Pittsburg, and Pushmataha counties. KEDDO is a legal trust authority set up to assist people of southeastern Oklahoma plan and promote growth and development for the seven county area. The organization is directed by a board of trustees of persons from each of the counties. The financing for KEDDO is a cooperative effort between federal, state, and local governments.

### **Lone Chimney Water Association** (60 O.S. § 176)

346400 East 5200 Road, Glencoe 74032

918/762-3581, FAX 918/762-3874

**Mission Statement** To serve potable water to its customers. Formed in 1985.

**Administration** Paul Kinder, Manager

### **Medical Licensure, Interstate Compact Commission** (59 O.S. § 493.6; § 493.7)

### **Mental Health, Interstate Compact on** (43A O.S. § 6-201)

2000 N Classen Blvd., Suite 600 E, Oklahoma City 73106

405/248-9200

### **Mid-South Industrial Authority** (60 O.S. § 176)

(State-beneficiary public trust)

For information, contact the McAlester Chamber of Commerce, 918/423-2550.

### **Midwestern Oklahoma Development Authority** (60 O.S. § 176)

(State-beneficiary public trust)  
500 N Holcomb Drive, Burns Flat 73624  
580/562-3111, FAX 580/562-3113

PO Box 549, Burns Flat 73624  
www.moda4counties.org

**Mission Statement** To promote economic development in Beckham, Custer, Kiowa, and Washita counties.

**Administration** Kathy Carlisle, Executive Director; Don Greteman, Chair, Board of Trustees

**History and Function** A not-for-profit organization, established as a public trust with the state as beneficiary. In operation for approximately fifty years, the staff performs daily maintenance on rental units. The revenue generated is invested in development and economic issues.

### **Military Children, Interstate Compact on Education Opportunity for** (70 O.S. § 510.1)

### **Mutual Aid Compact, Oklahoma Intrastate** (63 O.S. § 695.2)

### **Nonresident Violator Compact** (47 O.S. § 790)

Department of Public Safety, Driver Compliance Division  
PO Box 11415, Oklahoma City 73136

www.ok.gov/dps  
405/425-2424, FAX 405/425-2321

**Administration** Douglas R. Young, Director, Driver Compliance; Larry Williamson, Senior Division Supervisor, Driver Compliance; Mike Bailey, Senior Medical Officer, Driver Compliance

## **North Central Oklahoma Municipal Power Pool Authority**

(60 O.S. § 176) (State-beneficiary public trust)

## **Northeast Oklahoma Public Facilities Authority** (60 O.S. § 176)

(State-beneficiary public trust)

103 N College Avenue, Tahlequah 74464  
www.cityoftahlequah.com

918/456-6268, FAX 918/485-0336

**Administration** Jim Reagan, General Manager

## **Offender Supervision, Oklahoma State Council for Interstate Adult** (22 O.S. § 1094)

Created in accordance with Article IV of the Interstate Compact for Interstate Adult Offender Supervision.

## **Oil Compact Commission, Interstate** (52 O.S. § 204(Article VI), 205)

Agency Code 307

Secretary of Energy and Environment  
405/522-7099

204 N Robinson, Suite 1010, Oklahoma City 73102

**Administration** Kenneth Wagner, Secretary of Energy and Environment

## **Ordinance Works Authority, Oklahoma** (60 O.S. § 164, 178)

(dba MidAmerica Industrial Park)

(State-beneficiary public trust)

PO Box 945, Pryor 74362

www.maip.com

918/825-3500, 888/627-3500, FAX 918/825-4022

**Administration** David R. Stewart, CAO

**History and Function** Created as a state beneficiary public trust December 30, 1960, the trust owns and operates the MidAmerica Industrial Park to promote industrial development in the state. One trustee is appointed by the President Pro Tempore of the Oklahoma Senate, one by the Speaker of the House of Representatives and three by the governor.

## **Pest Control Compact** (2 O.S. § 3-35)

## **Physical Therapy Compact Commission** (59 O.S. § 887.19)

## **Racing with Pari-mutuel Wagering, Interstate Compact Committee on Licensure of Participants in Live Horse** (3A O.S. § 240)

## **Radioactive Waste Compact Commission, Central Interstate Low-level** (27A O.S. § 2-8-102(Article IV))

Department of Environmental Quality

707 N Robinson, PO Box 1042, Oklahoma City 73101  
www.cillrwcc.org

405/702-5222, FAX 405/702-5101

**Administration** Kelly Dixon, Commissioner, 405/702-5151, FAX 405/702-5101

## **Rail Compact, Interstate Midwest Regional Passenger**

(66 O.S. § 326) **Commission** (66 O.S. § 327)

## **Red River Compact Commission** (82 O.S. §1432)

Oklahoma Water Resources Board

3800 Classen Boulevard, Oklahoma City 73118

405/530-8800, FAX 405/530-8900

**Administration** Charles Dobbs, Julie Cunningham, Oklahoma Commissioners; Kent Wilkins, Oklahoma Member, Budget Committee; Bill Cauthron, Oklahoma Member, Environment and Natural Resources Committee; Yohanes Sugeng, Oklahoma Member, Engineering Committee; Sara Gibson, Oklahoma Member, Legal Committee

**History and Function** The Red River Compact Commission has been approved and ratified by the legislatures of the affected states, Arkansas, Louisiana, Oklahoma, and Texas, and serves to administer each state's apportionment of the waters of the Red River and its tributaries.

### **Southern Oklahoma Development Association (SODA)** (60 O.S. § 176)

2704 N 1 Street, Durant 74701  
PO Box 709, Durant 74702

www.soda-ok.org  
580/920-1388, FAX 580/920-1391

**Mission Statement** The Southern Oklahoma Development Association (SODA) is a voluntary association of town, city, and county governments and conservation districts within the ten county region of south, central Oklahoma. It is one of eleven "Councils of Governments" in Oklahoma. SODA is headquartered in Durant, Oklahoma. SODA provides a forum of consensus-building, policy-making, and the development and implementation of regional policies, plans, and programs to improve rural communities. Specifically, SODA programs respond to issues and concerns for the aging population, rural fires defense and local community and economic development. SODA's financial resources include, but are not limited to, membership dues from participating local governments, state and federal grants, and contracts with local governments to secure and administer grants.

**Administration** Steve Mills, Executive Director; Brenda McCarty, Accounting Administrator; Amie Judd, Area Agency on Aging; Patricia Jones, Planning and Development; Phillip Powell, Rural Fire Defense

**History and Function** The Southern Oklahoma Development Association (SODA) was incorporated as a non-profit organization in 1957. In 1967 SODA received designation from the State of Oklahoma as an "Economic Development District," pursuant to the Inter-Local Cooperation Act of 1965 (74 O.S. (1965) 1001) and the United States Department of Commerce pursuant to Title IV of the Public Works and Economic Development Act of 1965 (79 Stat. 569).

In 1971 SODA was appointed by executive order from the governor of the State of Oklahoma as a "Sub-State Planning District" to enable governmental entities in south-central Oklahoma to better provide services, assistance, and information to their citizens. SODA is one of eleven statewide Councils of Government (COG) or Sub-State Planning Districts in the State of Oklahoma.

SODA is governed by a board of directors, comprised of representatives of the cities and towns, counties and soil conservation districts from the SODA ten county region which is comprised of Atoka, Bryan, Carter, Coal, Garvin, Johnston, Love, Marshall, Murray, and Pontotoc counties.

### **South Western Oklahoma Development Authority (SWODA)** (60 O.S. § 176)

PO Box 569, 420 Sooner Drive, Burns Flat 73624  
800/627-4882, FAX 580/562-4880

www.swoda.org

**Mission Statement** The authority's mission is to strengthen governments by providing services and technical assistance; promote orderly growth and development through job creation and the preservation of the environmental integrity; and improve the quality of life by maximizing economic and social opportunities for the region and its population.

**Administration** Debora Glasgow, Executive Director

### **Student Loan Authority, Oklahoma** (70 O.S. § 695.3)

(State-Beneficiary Public Trust)

Agency Code 618 (1A)

525 Central Park Drive, Suite 600, Oklahoma City 73105  
405/556-9200, 800/456-6752, FAX 405/556-9255, 800/261-7529

www.osla.org  
Box 18145, Oklahoma City 73154-0145

**Administration** James T. Farha, President; Mary Anne Evans, Vice President, Loan Management; W. A. Rogers, Executive Vice President; Ken Ontko, Vice President, Information Systems; Kay Brezny, Vice President, Human Resources and Special Projects

**History and Function** Created by the Oklahoma Legislature on August 2, 1972, as an express trust for the benefit of the state by a trust indenture executed pursuant to the Public Trust Act. Acceptance of the beneficial interest in the trust was authorized by the legislature in the Oklahoma Student Loan Act. As a federal contractor, the authority services federal student loans for students or their parents for post-secondary education. The authority is authorized to incur indebtedness through the issuance of revenue bonds or notes. Student or parent borrowers are required to repay their loans with interest that provides for the authority's operating costs. The authority receives no state appropriated funds.

## **Tri-State Commission on the McClellan-Kerr Arkansas River Navigation System (MKARNS)**

(82 O.S. § 1142) It is anticipated that the State of Arkansas and the State of Kansas will enact legislation in order to complete the formation of the commission. Effective date May 14, 2019.

## **Uniform State Laws, Commissioners to National Conference of Commissioners on** (74 O.S. § 471)

**History and Function** Established as an advisory committee to the Oklahoma Legislature and to the governor. Composed of four members of the Oklahoma Bar appointed by the governor with the advice of the president of the Oklahoma Bar; two members, at least one of whom is a member of the Oklahoma House, to be appointed by the Speaker of the House; and two members, at least one of whom is a member of the Oklahoma Senate, to be appointed by the President Pro Tempore of the Senate. Members are appointed for four-year terms. The commissioners attend the annual meetings of the National Conference (see below).

**Uniform State Laws, National Conference of Commissioners on**  
111 N Wabash Ave., Suite 1010, Chicago, IL 60602

[www.uniformlaws.org](http://www.uniformlaws.org)  
312/450-6600, FAX 312/450-6601

## **Wildland Fire Protection Compact, South Central Interstate** (2 O.S. § 16-35)

Formerly South Central Interstate Forest Fire Protection Compact

### **Advisory Committee** (2 O.S. § 16-35, 2 O.S. § 16-38)

Department of Agriculture, Food, and Forestry (1A)  
PO Box 528804, Oklahoma City 73152  
E-mail—[mark.goeller@ag.ok.gov](mailto:mark.goeller@ag.ok.gov)

[www.forestry.ok.gov](http://www.forestry.ok.gov)  
405/522-2295, FAX 405/522-4583

**Administration** Governor Kevin Stitt, Governor, Compact Administrator; Mark Goeller, Assistant Compact Administrator and Representative of the State of Oklahoma.

**History and Function** As part of the Agricultural Code, the compact's purpose is to promote effective prevention and control of forest fires in the south central region of the United States, mainly in Oklahoma, Arkansas, Louisiana, Mississippi, and Texas. The Advisory Committee has been authorized to meet with other compact state administrators to formulate a regional forest fire protection plan for the member states.

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