

Appendix I

Alabama Counties

County	Date Organized	County Seat	Origin of the Name
Autauga	November 30, 1818	Prattville	Alibamo Indian village, Atagi, meaning “border”
Baine	December 7, 1866		General David W. Baine, C.S.A. (original name of Etowah County)
Baker	December 30, 1868		Alfred Baker, a local citizen (original name of Chilton County)
Baldwin	December 21, 1809	Bay Minette	Abraham Baldwin, a Georgia statesman
Barbour	December 18, 1832	Clayton	Governor James Barbour of Virginia
Benton	December 18, 1832		Senator Thomas Hart Benton of Missouri (original name of Calhoun County)
Bibb	February 7, 1818	Centreville	Governor William Wyatt Bibb of Alabama
Blount	February 7, 1818	Oneonta	Governor Willie G. Blount of Tennessee
Bullock	December 5, 1866	Union Springs	Colonel Edward C. Bullock, C.S.A., of Alabama
Butler	December 13, 1819	Greenville	Captain William Butler of Alabama
Cahawba	February 7, 1818		Cahawba (Cahaba) River (original name of Bibb County)
Calhoun	December 18, 1832	Anniston	John C. Calhoun of South Carolina
Chambers	December 18, 1832	LaFayette	Senator Henry Chambers of Alabama
Cherokee	January 9, 1836	Centre	The Cherokee Indian tribe
Chilton	December 30, 1868	Clanton	Chief Justice William P. Chilton of the Alabama Supreme Court

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Choctaw	December 29, 1847	Butler	The Choctaw Indian tribe
Clarke	December 10, 1812	Grove Hill	General John Clarke of Georgia
Clay	December 7, 1866	Ashland	Senator Henry Clay of Kentucky
Cleburne	December 6, 1866	Heflin	General Patrick R. Cleburne, C.S.A.
Coffee	December 29, 1841	Elba, Enterprise	General John Coffee of Creek War fame
Colbert	February 6, 1867	Tuscumbia	George and Levi Colbert, Chickasaw Indian chiefs
Conecuh	February 13, 1818	Evergreen	Conecuh River or the Indian word meaning “land of the cane”
Coosa	December 18, 1832	Rockford	Coosa River or the Indian word meaning “canebreak”
Cotaco	February 8, 1818		Named for a creek (original name of Morgan County)
Covington	December 18, 1821	Andalusia	General Leonard W. Covington of Maryland
Crenshaw	November 24, 1866	Luverne	Anderson Crenshaw of Alabama
Cullman	January 24, 1877	Cullman	Colonel Johann G. Cullman, the founder of a colony of Germans there
Dale	December 22, 1824	Ozark	Samuel Dale, the “Daniel Boone” of Alabama
Dallas	February 9, 1818	Selma	Alexander J. Dallas, the Secretary of the United States Treasury
Decatur	December 21, 1821		Commodore Stephen Decatur of the United States Navy (this county was abolished in 1824)
DeKalb	January 9, 1836	Fort Payne	General John Baron DeKalb of the American Revolution
Elmore	February 15, 1866	Wetumpka	General John A. Elmore of the American Revolution (Elmore settled in Alabama)
Escambia	December 10, 1868	Brewton	Escambia River or the Indian word meaning “cane therein”
Etowah	December 7, 1866	Gadsden	Indian word meaning “well bearing tree”

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Fayette	December 20, 1824	Fayette	Marquis de Lafayette of Revolutionary War fame
Franklin	February 4, 1818	Russellville	Benjamin Franklin of Pennsylvania
Geneva	December 26, 1868	Geneva	City in Switzerland and New York
Greene	December 13, 1819	Eutaw	General Nathanael Greene of Revolutionary War fame
Hale	January 30, 1867	Greensboro	Lieutenant Colonel Stephen F. Hale, C.S.A., of Alabama
Hancock	February 12, 1850		Governor John Hancock of Massachusetts (original name of Winston County)
Henry	December 13, 1819	Abbeville	Patrick Henry of Virginia
Houston	February 9, 1903	Dothan	Governor George S. Houston of Alabama
Jackson	December 13, 1819	Scottsboro	General Andrew Jackson of Tennessee
Jefferson	December 13, 1819	Birmingham	President Thomas Jefferson
Jones	February 4, 1867		E. P. Jones of Alabama (original name of Lamar County)
Lamar	February 4, 1867	Vernon	L. Q. C. Lamar, congressman from Mississippi
Lauderdale	February 6, 1818	Florence	Colonel James Lauderdale of Tennessee
Lawrence	February 4, 1818	Moulton	Captain James Lawrence of the United States Navy
Lee	December 15, 1866	Opelika	General Robert E. Lee
Limestone	February 6, 1818	Athens	A local creek
Lowndes	January 20, 1830	Hayneville	William Lowndes, congressman from South Carolina
Macon	December 18, 1832	Tuskegee	Senator Nathaniel Macon of North Carolina
Madison	December 13, 1808	Huntsville	President James Madison
Marengo	February 7, 1818	Linden	One of Napoleon's victories
Marion	December 13, 1818	Hamilton	General Francis Marion, the "Swamp Fox" of the American Revolution

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Marshall	January 9, 1836	Guntersville	Chief Justice John Marshall of the United States Supreme Court
Mobile	August 1, 1812	Mobile	Local Indian Tribe
Monroe	June 22, 1815	Monroeville	President James Monroe
Montgomery	December 6, 1816	Montgomery	Major Lemuel P. Montgomery of Tennessee
Morgan	February 8, 1818	Decatur	General Daniel Morgan of Pennsylvania
Perry	December 13, 1819	Marion	Commodore Oliver H. Perry of the United States Navy
Pickens	December 19, 1820	Carrollton	General Andrew Pickens of South Carolina
Pike	December 17, 1821	Troy	General Zebulon M. Pike of New Jersey
Randolph	December 18, 1832	Wedowee	John Randolph of Virginia
Russell	December 18, 1832	Phenix City	Colonel Gilbert C. Russell of the United States Army
St. Clair	November 20, 1818	Ashville, Pell City	General Arthur St. Clair of Revolutionary War fame
Sanford	October 8, 1868		H. C. Sanford of Cherokee County (original name of Lamar County)
Shelby	February 7, 1818	Columbiana	Governor Isaac Shelby of Kentucky
Sumter	December 18, 1832	Livingston	General Thomas Sumter of South Carolina
Talladega	December 18, 1832	Talladega	An Indian village or the Indian word meaning "border town"
Tallapoosa	December 18, 1832	Dadeville	Tallapoosa River or the Indian Word meaning "pulverized rock"
Tuscaloosa	February 7, 1818	Tuscaloosa	Indian word meaning "Black Warrior"
Walker	December 20, 1824	Jasper	Senator John Williams Walker of Alabama
Washington	June 4, 1800	Chatom	President George Washington
Wilcox	December 13, 1819	Camden	Lieutenant Joseph M. Wilcox of the United States Army
Winston	February 12, 1850	Double Springs	Governor John A. Winston of Alabama

Appendix II

Alabama Governors

Governor/Home County	Dates in Office/Party	Birthplace
William Wyatt Bibb Autauga County	1819-1820 Democrat	Virginia
Thomas Peyton Bibb Limestone County	1820-1821 Democrat	Virginia
Israel Pickens Greene (Hale) County	1821-1825 Democrat	North Carolina
John Murphy Monroe County	1825-1829 Democrat	North Carolina
Gabriel Moore Madison County	1829-1831 Democrat	North Carolina
Samuel B. Moore Jackson County	1831 Democrat	Tennessee
John Gayle Greene (Hale) County	1831-1835 Democrat	South Carolina
Clement Comer Clay Madison County	1835-1837 Democrat	Virginia
Hugh McVay Lauderdale County	1837 Democrat	South Carolina
Arthur Pendleton Bagby Monroe County	1837-1841 Democrat	Virginia
Benjamin Fitzpatrick Autauga County	1841-1845 Democrat	Georgia
Joshua Lanier Martin Limestone County	1845-1847 Democrat	Tennessee

Governor/Home County	Dates in Office/Party	Birthplace
Reuben Chapman Madison County	1847-1849 Democrat	Virginia
Henry Watkins Collier Tuscaloosa County	1849-1853 Democrat	Virginia
John Anthony Winston Sumter County	1853-1857 Democrat	Alabama Madison County
Andrew Barry Moore Perry County	1857-1861 Democrat	South Carolina
John Gill Shorter Barbour County	1861-1863 Democrat	Georgia
Thomas Hill Watts Montgomery County	1863-1865 Democrat	Alabama Butler County
Lewis Eliphalet Parsons* Talladega County	1865 Democrat	New York
Robert Miller Patton Lauderdale County	1865-1867 Republican	Virginia
William Hugh Smith Randolph County	1868-1870 Republican	Georgia
Robert Burns Lindsay Colbert County	1870-1872 Democrat	Scotland
David Peter Lewis Madison County	1872-1874 Republican	Virginia
George Smith Houston Limestone County	1874-1878 Democrat	Tennessee
Rufus Wills Cobb Shelby County	1878-1882 Democrat	Alabama St. Clair County
Edward Asbury O'Neal Lauderdale County	1882-1886 Democrat	Alabama Madison County
Thomas Seay Hale County	1886-1890 Democrat	Alabama Hale County

Note: General Wager Swayne served as military governor (1867-1868)
*Provisional Governor

Governor/Home County	Dates in Office/Party	Birthplace
Thomas Goode Jones Montgomery County	1890-1894 Democrat	Georgia
William Calvin Oates Henry County	1894-1896 Democrat	Alabama Bullock County
Joseph Forney Johnston Jefferson County	1896-1900 Democrat	South Carolina
William James Samford Lee County	1900-1901 Democrat	Georgia
William Dorsey Jelks Barbour County	1901-1907 Democrat	Alabama Macon County
Russell McWhorter Cunningham** Jefferson County	1904-1905 Democrat	Alabama Lawrence County
Braxton Bragg Comer Jefferson County	1907-1911 Democrat	Alabama Barbour County
Emmet O'Neal Lauderdale County	1911-1915 Democrat	Alabama Lauderdale County
Charles Henderson Pike (Bullock) County	1915-1919 Democrat	Alabama Bullock County
Thomas Erby Kilby Calhoun County	1919-1923 Democrat	Tennessee
William Woodward Brandon Tuscaloosa County	1923-1927 Democrat	Alabama Talladega County
David Bibb Graves Montgomery County	1927-1931 1935-1939 Democrat	Alabama Montgomery County
Benjamin Meeks Miller Wilcox County	1931-1935 Democrat	Alabama Wilcox County
Frank Murray Dixon Jefferson County	1939-1943 Democrat	California

**Acting Governor while Governor Jelks was ill

Governor/Home County	Dates in Office/Party	Birthplace
Chauncey M. Sparks Barbour County	1943-1947 Democrat	Alabama Barbour County
James Elisha Folsom Cullman County	1947-1951 1955-1959 Democrat	Alabama Coffee County
Gordon Persons Montgomery County	1951-1955 Democrat	Alabama Montgomery County
John Malcolm Patterson Russell County	1959-1963 Democrat	Alabama Tallapoosa County
George Corley Wallace Barbour County	1963-1967 1971-1979 1983-1987 Democrat	Alabama Barbour County
Lurleen Burns Wallace Barbour County	1967-1968 Democrat	Alabama Tuscaloosa County
Albert Preston Brewer Morgan County	1968-1971 Democrat	Tennessee
Forrest Hood James Lee County	1979-1983 Democrat	Alabama Chambers County
Guy Hunt Cullman County	1987-1993 Republican	Alabama Cullman County
James Elisha Folsom Jr. Cullman County	1993-1995 Democrat	Alabama Cullman County
Don Siegelman Mobile County	1999-2003 Democrat	Alabama Mobile County
Bob Riley Clay County	2003-2011 Republican	Alabama Clay County
Robert Bentley Tuscaloosa County	2011-2017 Republican	Alabama Shelby County
Kay Ivey Montgomery County	2017- Republican	Alabama Wilcox County

Alabama State Song

Alabama

Words by Julia S. Tutwiler, Music by Edna Gockel-Gussen

*Alabama, Alabama, We will aye be true to thee,
From thy Southern shores where groweth,
By the sea thy orange tree.
To thy Northern vale where floweth,
Deep blue the Tennessee,
Alabama, Alabama, we will aye be true to thee!*

*Broad thy stream whose name thou bearest;
Grand thy Bigbee rolls along;
Fair thy Coosa-Tallapoosa
Bold thy Warrior, dark and strong,
Goodlier than the land that Moses
Climbed lone Nebo's Mount to see,
Alabama, Alabama, we will aye be true to thee!*

*From thy prairies broad and fertile,
Where thy snow-white cotton shines,
To the hills where coal and iron
Hide in thy exhaustless mines,
Strong-armed miners—sturdy farmers;
Loyal hearts what'er we be,
Alabama, Alabama, we will aye be true to thee!*

*From thy quarries where the marble
White as that of Paros gleams
Waiting till thy sculptor's chisel,
Wake to life thy poet's dreams;*

*Fear not only wealth of nature,
Wealth of mind has no fee,
Alabama, Alabama, we will aye be true to thee!*

*Where the perfumed south-wind whispers,
Thy magnolia groves among,
Softer than a mother's kisses,
Sweeter than a mother's song,
Where the golden jasmine trailing,
Woos the treasure-laden bee,
Alabama, Alabama, we will aye be true to thee!*

*Brave and pure thy men and women,
Better this than corn and wine
Make us worthy, God in Heaven
Of this goodly land of Thine.
Hearts as open as thy doorways.
Liberal hands and spirits free.
Alabama, Alabama, we will aye be true to thee!*

*Little, little can I give thee,
Alabama, mother mine.
But that little—hand, brain, spirit.
All I have and am are thine.
Take, O take, the gift and giver.
Take and serve thyself with me.
Alabama, Alabama, we will aye be true to thee!*