

MARIN COUNTY

<i>Name</i>	<i>Elected</i>	<i>Oath of Office</i>	<i>CAA President</i>	<i>Retired</i>	<i>Deceased</i>
James Black	1850				
S.W. Faudre	1853				
Warren Dutton	1854				
John C. Dodd	1855				
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J.M. Harris	1858				
J.B. Jacobs	1859				
J.L. Van Reynegan	1860				
John J. Grinter	1861				
Daniel Smith	1863				
William Vanderbilt	1879				
Ira H. Parks	1895				
Patrick H. Cochran	1907		1918		03/06/1922
Lena Cochran	03/06/1922				
Dr. Fred E. Sawyer	1923				
Auguste Pacheco	1931				1931
Dr. Fred E. Sawyer	1931				
George W. Hall	1935		1946		10/16/1972
Berthold W. Broemmel	1959		1968	08/31/1977	02/23/1993
Herschel Johnson	09/01/1977				05/28/2009
W. Bruce Shafer	11/07/1978	01/08/1979		01/12/1985	08/06/2006
James J. Dal Bon	01/11/1985 **	01/13/1985	~ ~ ~	01/02/1995	
Joan C. Thayer	11/08/1994	01/03/1995	2003	2011	
Richard N. Benson	11/02/2010	12/09/2010	2017	01/07/2019	

Marin County was created on February 18, 1850. This county was one of the original twenty-seven counties of the State of California *

The origin of its name is not clear. One story says that the county was named for Chief Marin, of the Licatiut tribe of Indians who inhabited that section and waged fierce battle against the early Spanish military explorers. The other version is that the bay between San Pedro and San Quentin points was named *Bahia de Nuestra Senora del Rosario la Marinaera* by Ayala in 1775, and it is quite possible that Marin is simply an abbreviation of this name. ***

Mr. Cochran passed away in office March 6, 1922. His widow, Lena Cochran, completed his term.

Mr. Pacheco passed away in office and Dr. Sawyer returned to complete his term.

Mr. Broemmel retired on August 31, 1977 and Herschel W. Johnson completed his term.

Mr. Shafer resigned on January 13, 1985 and James J. Dal Bon was appointed to complete his term.

* H.M. Moreno, Moreno's Dictionary of Spanish-Named California Cities and Towns,
(San Luis Obispo, CA, 1916)

** Appointed

*** California State Association of Counties, The Creation of California Counties