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# **Chief Financial Officer of Florida**

The **Chief Financial Officer of Florida** is a statewide constitutional officer of <u>Florida</u>. The office was created in 2002 following the 1998 reforms of the <u>Florida</u> <u>Cabinet</u>. The CFO is a combination of the former offices of <u>Comptroller</u> and <u>Treasurer/Insurance Commissioner/Fire Marshal</u>. The office heads the <u>Florida</u> <u>Department of Financial Services</u> and is responsible for overseeing the state's finances, collecting revenue, paying state bills, auditing state agencies, regulating cemeteries and funerals, and handling fires and arsons. In addition, the CFO has administrative oversight over the offices which handles banking and insurance regulation. The CFO is a member of the Cabinet.

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# History

Tom Gallagher was the first state CFO and a former Treasurer/Insurance Commissioner/Fire Marshal. Gallagher retired from the position in 2006 and <u>Alex</u> <u>Sink</u> (D), a Florida business executive and the wife of former Florida gubernatorial candidate <u>Bill McBride</u>, was elected on November 7, 2006. Alex Sink launched an unsuccessful campaign for governorin 2010, and was succeeded by Jef Atwater.

# **List of Chief Financial Officers**

| # | Name           | Term         | Party      |
|---|----------------|--------------|------------|
| 1 | Tom Gallagher  | 2003–2007    | Republican |
| 2 | Alex Sink      | 2007–2011    | Democratic |
| 3 | Jeff Atwater   | 2011–2017    | Republican |
| 4 | Jimmy Patronis | 2017–present | Republican |

# See also

- Constitution of Florida
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- Florida Chief Financial Oficer election, 2014
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**Chief Financial Officer of** 

Incumbent Jimmy Patronis since June 30, 2017

| Department of Financial Services |                          |  |  |
|----------------------------------|--------------------------|--|--|
| Term length                      | 4 years, renewable once  |  |  |
| Inaugural<br>holder              | Tom Gallagher<br>2003    |  |  |
| Formation                        | 2002                     |  |  |
| Website                          | www.myfloridacfo<br>.com |  |  |

Republican Party of Florida

## **External links**

Florida Department of Financial Services

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