

Medical Examiner History

In accordance with [Minnesota State Statute 390.005](#), each county must have a coroner or medical examiner. A coroner may be elected or appointed in each county. A medical examiner must be appointed by the county board. The term of an appointed coroner or medical examiner must not be longer than four years.

The medical examiner must be a forensic pathologist who is certified or eligible for certification by the American Board of Pathology. The medical examiner is a appointed public official in a system of death investigation in which the administrative control, the determination of the extent of the examination, need for autopsy, and the filing of the cause and manner of death information with the state registrar are all under the control of the medical examiner.

Prior to 1975, St. Louis County had a Coroner system.

Medical Examiners

2015 to present	Dr. A. Quinn Strobl
2000 to 2015	Dr. Thomas Uncini
1987 to 1999	Dr. Donald Kundel
1976 to 1986	Dr. Volker Goldschmidt

Coroners

1955 to 1975	Dr. Cyril M. Smith
1939 to 1954	Dr. J. W. Ekblad
1912 to 1938	Dr. Charles F. McComb
1905 to 1911	Dr. John A. McCuen
1901 to 1904	Dr. Samuel H. Boyer
1891 to 1900	Dr. J. J. Eklund
1888 to 1891	Dr. Charles F. McComb
1886 to 1887	Dr. Charles H. Graff
1882 to 1885	Samuel J. Thompson