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**THE CONTINENTAL CONGRESS**  
**1774-1779**

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## PLACE AND TIME OF MEETING

Philadelphia, Pa .....	From September 5, 1774, to October 26, 1774
Philadelphia, Pa .....	From May 10, 1775, to December 12, 1776
Baltimore, Md .....	From December 20, 1776, to March 4, 1777
Philadelphia, Pa .....	From March 5, 1777, to September 18, 1777
Lancaster, Pa .....	From September 27, 1777 (one day only)
York, Pa .....	From September 30, 1777, to June 27, 1778
Philadelphia, Pa .....	From July 2, 1778, to June 21, 1783
Princeton, N.J. ....	From June 30, 1783, to November 4, 1783
Annapolis, Md .....	From November 26, 1783, to June 3, 1784
Trenton, N.J. ....	From November 1, 1784, to December 24, 1784
New York City .....	From January 11, 1785, to November 4, 1785
New York City .....	From November 7, 1785, to November 3, 1786
New York City .....	From November 6, 1786, to October 30, 1787
New York City .....	From November 5, 1787, to October 21, 1788
New York City .....	From November 3, 1788, to March 2, 1789

## PRESIDENTS OF CONGRESS

PEYTON RANDOLPH, <sup>1</sup> of Virginia .....	Elected September 5, 1774
HENRY MIDDLETON, of South Carolina .....	Elected October 22, 1774
PEYTON RANDOLPH, <sup>2</sup> of Virginia .....	Elected May 10, 1775
JOHN HANCOCK, of Massachusetts .....	Elected May 24, 1775
HENRY LAURENS, of South Carolina .....	Elected November 1, 1777
JOHN JAY, of New York .....	Elected December 10, 1778
SAMUEL HUNTINGTON, of Connecticut .....	Elected September 28, 1779
THOMAS MCKEAN, of Delaware .....	Elected July 10, 1781
JOHN HANSON, of Maryland .....	Elected November 5, 1781
ELIAS BOUDINOT, of New Jersey .....	Elected November 4, 1782
THOMAS MIFFLIN, of Pennsylvania .....	Elected November 3, 1783
RICHARD HENRY LEE, of Virginia .....	Elected November 30, 1784
JOHN HANCOCK, <sup>3</sup> of Massachusetts .....	Elected November 23, 1785
NATHANIEL GORHAM, of Massachusetts .....	Elected June 6, 1786
ARTHUR ST. CLAIR, of Pennsylvania .....	Elected February 2, 1787
CYRUS GRIFFIN, of Virginia .....	Elected January 22, 1788

## SECRETARY OF THE CONGRESS

CHARLES THOMSON, of Pennsylvania .....	Elected September 5, 1774
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<sup>1</sup> Resigned October 22, 1774.

<sup>2</sup> Departed Congress May 23, 1775, to resume duties as Speaker of the Virginia House of Burgesses.

<sup>3</sup> Resigned May 29, 1786, never having served, owing to continued illness.