



Pastors Involved in the Public Arena

- 1620 **Pastor John Robinson** shaping the Mayflower Compact.
- 1636 **Rev. John Cotton** starting the first public schools.
- 1636 **Rev. Roger Williams and Rev. John Clark** founding the State of Rhode Island.
- 1638 **Rev. John Harvard** founding the first University.
- 1639 **Rev. Thomas Hooker and Rev. John Davenport** founding the State of Connecticut.
- 1641 **Rev. Nathaniel Ward** writing the Massachusetts Body of Liberties.
- 1681 **Rev. William Penn** founding Pennsylvania and writing its Frame of Government.
- 1717 **Rev. John Wise** writing *The Law of Nature In Government*. Sections of this work appear word for word in the Declaration of Independence.
- 1755 **Rev. Samuel Davies** serving as a lawyer, an ambassador to England, and President of Princeton.
- 1776 **Rev. John Witherspoon** Signing the Declaration of Independence and serving on over 100 Committees in Congress.