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1959 – Present

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Lewis M. Dischner (1959-1960)
    Source: Alaska Blue Book 1973, p. 48

Bjorn “Gil” Johnson (1960-1966)
    Source: Alaska Blue Book 1973, p. 48

Thomas J. Moore (1967-1970)
    Source: Alaska Blue Book 1973, p. 48

Henry A. Benson (1970-1972)
    Source: Alaska Blue Book 1973, p. 48

Robert A. Smith (1972 – December 1974(?))

Edmund Orbeck (January 1975 – November 28, 1982(?))

Jim Robison (November 29, 1982 – January 5, 1987(?))
    Source: Alaska Blue Book 1985, p. 40, includes small b&w photo. End date is implied by Alaska Blue Book 1989-90

Jim Sampson (January 6, 1987 - January 1, 1991(?))


Charles Mahlen (February 24, 1992 – February 12, 1995(?))
    Source: Alaska Blue Book 1993-94, p. 14, includes small b&w photo. End date

Tom Cashen (February 13, 1995 - December 1998)

Ed Flannagan (January 12, 1999 - 2002)
(Sources: Governor’s Press Release 99-006 and Internet Archive copies of Alaska Department of Labor at http://web.archive.org/web/*/http://www.labor.state.ak.us/commish/home.htm)

Greg O’Claray (2003 – 2007)
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Click Bishop (January 11, 2007 – March 2012)

Dianne Blumer – Appointed May 17, 2012