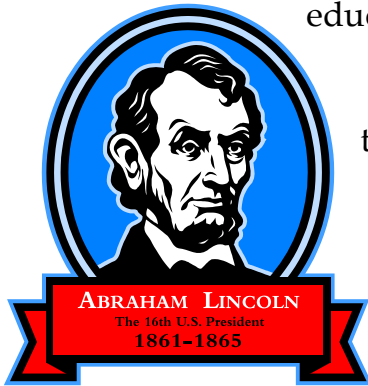




20 FACTS ABOUT PRESIDENTS WHO WERE LAWYERS

1. More than half of all United States Presidents were lawyers before becoming president.
2. Many of the first lawyer-presidents participated in apprenticeships to become lawyers because there was no such thing as law school.
3. At least 13 lawyer-presidents served in the U.S. Congress before becoming president.
4. 4 lawyer-presidents attended Harvard at some point during their formal education.

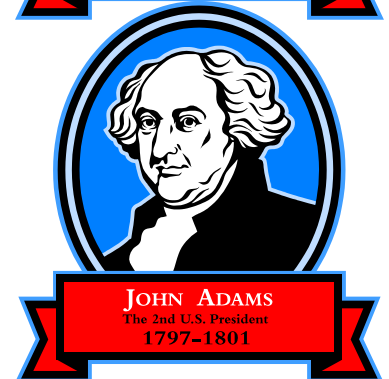
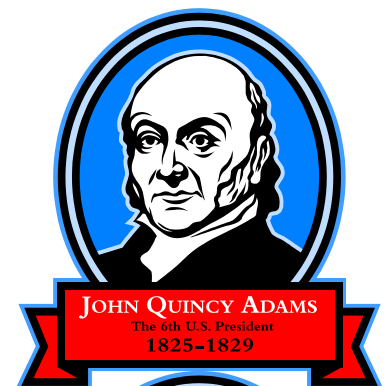


5. Abraham Lincoln had no formal education and was a self-taught lawyer.

6. Grover Cleveland is the only president to serve two *nonconsecutive* terms.

7. John Quincy Adams was the *first* lawyer-president to argue a U.S. Supreme Court case both before and after his presidency.

8. At least nine lawyer-presidents also served as governor of their respective states.
9. Prior to his presidency, John Adams represented British officers who were accused of murder during the Boston Massacre.
10. James Madison and Thomas Jefferson founded the Democratic-Republican Party.



11. **William Taft** twice turned down a seat on the U.S. Supreme Court before accepting his appointment as Chief Justice after his presidency.

12. After his presidency, **Benjamin Harrison** returned to his law practice and helped resolve the border dispute between Venezuela and British Guiana.



CHESTER A. ARTHUR
The 21st U.S. President
1881-1885

13. Before he was president, **Chester Arthur** was known as an *abolitionist* who won several cases for the "runaway slaves" he defended.

14. **William McKinley** defeated William Jennings Bryan, another well-known attorney, in the presidential election of 1896.

15. **Franklin Roosevelt** entered the presidency during one of the worst points of the Great Depression but helped the nation recover by entering into the New Deal and World War II.



CALVIN COOLIDGE
The 30th U.S. President
1923-1929

16. **Calvin Coolidge** was nicknamed "Silent Cal" for his quiet and frugal nature.

17. **Gerald Ford** was nominated to the office of Vice President by Richard Nixon following the resignation of Spiro Agnew; After Richard Nixon's impeachment, Ford became the only *non-elected* president.



GERALD R. FORD
The 38th U.S. President
1974-1977

18. **Woodrow Wilson** led the nation through World War I and received a Nobel Peace Prize for his peacemaking efforts after the war, after spending years of his childhood growing up in Columbia, South Carolina.

19. **Thomas Jefferson** helped draft the Declaration of Independence and became one of the nation's founding fathers.

20. At least two past presidents, **Andrew Jackson** and **William Taft**, were not only lawyers but served as judges during their lifetimes.



WILLIAM TAFT
The 27th U.S. President
1909-1913