

Connecticut Pilot Commission

	Appointing Official/Authority	Commissioner	Term Length*	Term Expiration
1	Executive Director of the Connecticut Port Authority ¹	Michael J. O'Connor	Indefinite term	N/A
2	Elected by Majority of the Connecticut-Licensed Pilots ²	Captain Kyle S. Butler	Indefinite term	N/A
3	Governor ³	K. Wynne Bohannon	4-year term	June 30, 2021*
4	Senate President Pro Tempore ⁴	William C. Gash, Jr., Chairman ¹⁰	4-year term	June 30, 2028
5	Senate Majority Leader ⁵	Paul Liistro	4-year term	June 30, 2025*
6	Senate Minority Leader ⁶	Captain Joseph Maco	4-year term	June 30, 2022*
7	Speaker of the House ⁷	Christopher P. Clark	4-year term	June 30, 2020*
8	House Majority Leader ⁸	David E. Pohorylo	4-year term	June 30, 2023*
9	House Minority Leader ⁹	Michael J. Eisele, Esq., Vice-Chairman	4-year term	June 30, 2024*

* Section 4-1a of the CGS also allows for the term to continue until a successor is appointed.

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Sec. 15-13c. Connecticut Pilot Commission. Members. Appointments. Duties.

¹ (b) The commission shall consist of nine members, one of whom shall be the executive director of the authority or the executive director's designee

² and one of whom shall be an active licensed pilot in this state operating on the Connecticut side of the rotation system for the assignment of pilots. The pilot member shall be designated by a simple majority vote of pilots operating on the Connecticut side of the rotation system for the assignment of pilots.

The remaining seven members shall be appointed as follows:

³ The Governor shall appoint one member representing a maritime-related industry, which industry shall not include a recreational industry;

⁴ the president pro tempore of the Senate shall appoint one member representing the public with an interest in the environment who does not have an economic interest in the subject matters of the commission;

⁵ the majority leader of the Senate shall appoint one member representing the public with an interest in the environment who does not have an economic interest in the subject matters of the commission;

⁶ the minority leader of the Senate shall appoint one member who shall be a retired ship's master or captain;

⁷ the speaker of the House of Representatives shall appoint one member representing a maritime-related industry, which industry shall not include a recreational industry;

⁸ the majority leader of the House of Representatives shall appoint one member representing a maritime-related industry from a shipping agent perspective;

⁹ the minority leader of the House of Representatives shall appoint one member with an expertise in the area of admiralty law.

¹⁰ (d) The Governor shall appoint the chairperson of the commission who shall not be an employee of the Connecticut Port Authority.

William C. Gash, Jr. was appointed as Chairman by Governor Malloy on August 27, 2012.