North Dakota



Jon Godfread
Commissioner
NAIC Past President
Midwest Zone

Term of Office:
Four years

Elected:
November 8, 2016
Re-elected: November 3, 2020, November 5, 2024

Jon Godfread has served as North Dakota's 22nd Insurance Commissioner since his election in 2016 and re-elections in 2020 and 2024.

Committed to protecting and empowering the citizens of North Dakota, Commissioner Godfread has championed consumer advocacy by raising awareness about the vital consumer protection services provided by the North Dakota Insurance & Securities Department beyond its role in industry regulation. Under his leadership, the Department has undergone strategic restructuring to ensure the efficient use of taxpayer dollars while maximizing the talents of its dedicated staff.

Commissioner Godfread is a recognized leader in insurance policy innovation on a national stage. He has been influential in discussions on modernizing insurance regulation, addressing challenges in air ambulance services, leveraging technology, and advancing health care reinsurance. Additionally, his colleagues elected him to serve as the 2025 president of the NAIC.

Before taking office, Commissioner Godfread was vice president of governmental affairs for the Greater North Dakota Chamber, where he worked on critical issues such as the Affordable Care Act (ACA), statewide tax reductions, the creation of the North Dakota Outdoor Heritage Fund, and K–12 education reform. His diverse professional background also includes experience in banking and a stint as a professional athlete.

Commissioner Godfread earned a Juris Doctor (J.D.) and a Master of Business Administration (MBA) from the University of North Dakota, and a bachelor's degree in business with honors from the University of Northern Iowa.

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