

## Biography - Robert J. "Bob" Colborn, Jr.



Robert J. "Bob" Colborn, Jr., was the primary moving force behind the creation of the Administrative Code and Registers (ACR) section of NASS in 1978. He was an active member for more than 23 years.

Bob served as the ACR's first executive secretary. He served as host ACR member for the NASS ACR annual conferences held in Annapolis, Maryland in 1984 and in Baltimore, Maryland in 2000.

Bob led the Maryland Division of State Documents for 27 years providing public access to state regulations. He was the Administrator of the Division since it was created as a unit within the Office of the Secretary of State in 1974. He set high standards for administrative code and register publications and expected no less from his peers in ACR. He presented many programs at NASS ACR annual conferences and was recognized by ACR for his achievements.



Bob is a native of Maryland's Eastern Shore. He received his undergraduate degree from Washington College, one of the nation's oldest private liberal arts colleges, and an M.A. in History from the University of Rhode Island. Before entering law school, Bob did historical research and writing for the U.S. Department of the Interior. His work contributed to the restoration of Congress Hall in Philadelphia, and his research provided the basis for restoring the Old Senate Chamber and the Old Supreme Court Chamber, U.S. Capitol Building, Washington D.C. in time for the Bicentennial Celebration in 1976.

After receiving his J.D. degree from the University of Virginia, Bob practiced law before joining the staff of the Secretary of State.

He is also a member of the Maryland Bar Association and was admitted to the Maryland Bar in 1967.