

The Nephite Judges

Key Scripture Mosiah 29–3 Nephi 7:14

Explanation From about 91 B.C. to A.D. 30, the Nephite civilization was governed by chief judges. Each judge's name, known church role, tenure, cause of termination, and relation to his predecessors are represented on this chart. Of the thirteen Nephite judges charted, nearly half were assassinated, indicating serious governmental turmoil during the reign of the judges.

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Judge	Relation to Predecessors	Church Role	Approximate Tenure	Cause of Termination
Alma ₂	no data	prophet	91–83 B.C.	resigned
Nephihah	nominated by Alma ₂	elder	83–67 B.C.	died
Pahoran ₁	son of Nephihah	no data	67–53 B.C.	died
Pahoran ₂	son of Pahoran ₁	no data	52 B.C.	assassinated
Pacumeni	son of Pahoran ₂	no data	52–51 B.C.	killed by invaders
Helaman ₃	grandson of Alma ₂	leader	50–39 B.C.	died
Nephi ₃	son of Helaman ₃	prophet	39–30 B.C.	resigned
Cezoram	nominated by Nephi ₃	no data	30–26 B.C.	assassinated
no data	son of Cezoram	no data	26 B.C.	assassinated
Seezoram	no data	no data	26–20 B.C.	assassinated
no data	no data	no data	20–A.D. 1	no data
Lachoneus ₁	no data	prophet	A.D. 1–30	no data
Lachoneus ₂	son of Lachoneus ₁	no data	A.D. 30	assassinated