

Lawyer and Legislator in 1830

Lawyer

A lawyer is someone who practices law. Their job is to represent **clients** in a court of law, or to advise or act for **clients** in other legal matters. When someone is accused of doing something wrong, a lawyer is a person who can defend them in court. Lawyers must have a college degree to practice law.

Legislator

The New York State Assembly is the group of lawmakers who meet together to make decisions about the state. A member of the New York State Assembly in 1830 worked in the Assembly for one year. He was **elected** by members of the county he represented. Edmund Hull represented Erie County. Several times a year the Assembly would gather together in Albany, NY.

The other assemblyman from Erie County was Millard Fillmore. He served in the New York State Assembly from 1828-1832. He was then **elected** to the United States House of Representatives in 1832. In 1848 he was **elected** as vice president of the United States. When president Zachary Taylor died, Fillmore became president!

This means that Edmund Hull worked very closely with someone who became the president of the United States!



This is a drawing of the Old State Capitol in Albany, New York. This building housed the State Government from 1812 to 1878.



Millard Fillmore, the 13th president of the United States, worked with Edmund Hull in the NYS Assembly in 1830.

Glossary

client - a person for whom a lawyer acts
elect - to choose by voting

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