The Pennsylvania Society - SAR was organized in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, on November 23, 1893, with 25 charter members, all from the District of Columbia Society - since the National headquarters was then located in Washington, D.C. Colonel William A. Herron was the first president, serving until 1900. Nowadays, presidents serve only one year.

By 1902, membership had grown to 378 - and by 2020 has reached more than 1500. The Pennsylvania Society, like the other State Societies across the nation, is authorized to issue chapter charters within the state. In Pennsylvania, there are now 23 local chapters, plus an "at large" chapter.

The Society holds quarterly meetings - hosted around the state in turn by the local chapters - at which Pennsylvania members and their guests foregather, dine and get acquainted, and the Compatriots conduct business of state-wide concern. Medals and awards are presented to members and other Americans for patriotic activities and civic services, and donations made to worthy historical and genealogical projects, associated with the colonial and Revolutionary period. A quarterly magazine, *The Minuteman*, containing reports and articles, is also published.

The State Society headquarters is moveable, the mailing address being wherever the State Secretary happens to reside.

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