

## The Birth of American Party Politics

**George Washington  
(No Political Party)**

Alexander Hamilton  
(Secretary of the Treasury)

Thomas Jefferson  
(Secretary of State)

Hamilton quits the Cabinet  
to form the Federalist Party

Jefferson quits the Cabinet  
to form the  
Democratic/Republican  
Party)

**Washington does NOT  
run for his third term and  
warns the nation about  
foreign alliances and  
political parties.**

### The Election of 1796

The Federalists nominate  
John Adams to run for the  
Presidency.

The Democratic/Republican  
Party nominates Jefferson.  
His 2<sup>nd</sup> place finish gets him  
the consolation prize!!

**The Vice -Presidency**

He wins a majority but gets  
Jefferson as his Vice  
President due to the  
Constitution.

### The Election of 1800

The Federalists nominate  
Adams again but his party  
is divided on several issues.  
Hamilton's breaks the tie in  
the House making his old  
rival President.

Democratic/Republicans  
nominate Jefferson for  
President and Aaron Burr  
for Vice-President.  
Jefferson and Burr TIE and  
the House of  
Representatives decides  
who wins. (It only takes 36  
votes)