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BIOGRAPHY

Jerome T. Loendorf was born on June 5, 1939, in Wolf Point, Montana, the second of six children born to George C. and Helen T. Loendorf.

He graduated with a Bachelor of Arts Degree from Carroll College, Helena, Montana, in 1961, and a Juris Doctor Degree from the University of Montana at Missoula in 1964.

Jerry served as a law clerk for the Montana Supreme Court in 1965; Lewis and Clark County Public Defender in 1968; Lewis and Clark Deputy County Attorney in 1970; and was elected a Delegate to the Montana's Constitutional Convention in 1971. He was a member of the law firm, Harrison, Loendorf, Poston and Duncan, P.C. from 1966 through 2003.

Loendorf served as a volunteer to many Montana non-profit organizations including the Carroll College Board of Trustees; Rocky Mountain Development Council, Inc., Board of Directors; YMCA, Board of Directors; and Good Samaritan Ministries, Board of Directors.

He contributed financially to many non-profit organizations and funded the following scholarships:

George C. Loendorf and Helen T. Loendorf Endowment
Gary Turcotte Endowment, and
Father William Greytak Endowment

Professionally Loendorf was a member of the American Bar Association, State Bar of Montana, First Judicial District Bar Association and the Montana Trial Lawyers Association.

During the Convention he served on the "Legislative" Committee as Vice-Chairman and on the "Style, Drafting and Transition" Committee.

Following the Convention he publicly advocated ratification of the Constitution by the voters of Montana by speaking to many organizations on that subject. He participated in the litigation challenging the ratification of the Constitution including serving as a Montana Special Assistant Attorney General for purposes of representing the State of Montana in the Federal court case challenging the results of the election ratifying Montana's Constitution.