

## LOREN LEMAN, P.E.



### BACKGROUND

Loren Leman, a lifelong Alaskan, is an engineer, fisherman, and former elected official. He traces his family history in Alaska to a marriage in Kodiak in 1798 between a Russian shipbuilder and an Alutiiq woman from Afognak. Gold miners, Alaska Natives, fishermen and missionaries have figured prominently in his ancestry.

### PUBLIC SERVICE

Loren serves on numerous community, State, and educational boards and commissions, including the Anchorage Historic Preservation Commission; Anchorage Public Safety Commission for 7 years; UAA College of Engineering Advisory Board and School of Nursing Community Advisory Board for the last 15 years; and State Board of Registration for Architects, Engineers & Land Surveyors.

In November 2002, Loren Leman became the first person of Alaska Native ancestry to be elected to statewide office in Alaska when he was chosen as Alaska's eighth Lieutenant Governor. He also served in the Alaska Legislature for 14 years.

As Lieutenant Governor, Leman represented the State as one of seven commissioners on the Denali Commission to improve health care, energy, transportation, economic opportunities and workforce development, primarily in rural Alaska. He also chaired the Alaska Historical Commission and had overall responsibility for the Division of Elections.

### WORK HISTORY

Loren Leman's other work history includes consulting civil/environmental engineering and fishing. A registered civil engineer in Alaska, his engineering work during the past 5 decades has spanned the entire State. Raised in a commercial fishing family in Ninilchik, Loren watched his father operate a fish trap during Territorial days, before being outlawed in 1959, and subsequently has worked the family salmon setnet operation on Cook Inlet.

Loren and his wife Carolyn raised three children and are enjoying eight energetic and inquisitive grandchildren.

### AWARDS

In 1999 then Senator Leman was nominated by the Alaska Section of the American Society of Civil Engineers, the world's premier civil engineering professional society, and went on to win its national Civil Government award for his work in education accountability, developing resources, and improving transportation in Alaska. Senator Leman's service has been acknowledged by several other organizations.

### PRESENTATIONS AND PUBLICATIONS

Mr. Leman has taught in workforce training programs, conferences and professional society meetings and authored several publications for use by utilities, regulatory agencies, government, industry, and developers. He has been a speaker in universities, schools, and for community and other service organizations across Alaska, often on Alaska history and its constitution. He also has presented to Congress, the Legislature, Anchorage Assembly, other local government councils and assemblies, university classes, and civic and business organizations.

## ACADEMIC BACKGROUND

M.S., Civil/Environmental Engineering, Stanford University, 1973

B.S., Civil Engineering, Oregon State University, 1972

Diploma, Ninilchik High School, Ninilchik, Alaska, 1968

## REGISTRATION

Professional Engineer, Alaska (CE4332) since 1977

## RELEVANT EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

**Loren Leman, P.E.**, Anchorage, October 1987 to December 2002 and February 2017 to present – Owner and principal engineer of a civil/environmental engineering firm specializing in water, wastewater and environmental compliance.

**Alaska Lieutenant Governor**, December 2002 to December 2006 – oversight for policy, budgets, and State election delivery; traditional statutory and other duties as assigned as emissary for State of Alaska; and advisor to Governor Frank Murkowski.

**Alaska Legislature**, January 1989 to December 2002 – Member of House of Representatives for four years and Senate for 10 years, chairing many standing committees and subcommittees.

**CH2M HILL and MLFA**, July 1973 to October 1987 and January 2007 to January 2017 – Project Manager, key employee, and Vice President for engineering consulting with focus on water, wastewater, environmental compliance, transportation, and business development.

## COMMUNITY SERVICE

Alaska Boys & Girls State mentor  
Alaska Christian College Board of Trustees  
Alaska Military Youth Academy Advisory Council  
Anchorage Election Commission  
Anchorage Historic Preservation Commission  
Anchorage Public Safety Advisory Commission  
Dimond High School Engineering Academy Advisor  
Judge for speech contests and scholarship pageants  
LeTourneau University Board of Trustees  
Salvation Army Community Advisory Board

UAA College of Engineering and School of Nursing Advisory Boards  
Armed Services YMCA Advisory Board  
Elmendorf AFB Honorary Commander  
ASD Career & Technology Education Advisory Council  
Grace Christian School Board  
InterAct Ministries Board  
Luis Palau Love Alaska Festival, co-chairman  
FBCI Advisory Council  
Youth sports coach  
Friends of the Jesse Lee Home  
Cook Inlet Aquaculture Assoc Board  
Anchorage Local Emergency Planning Committee  
Challenger Learning Center Board  
Building Codes Task Force

## REFERENCES

Annette Kreitzer, Haines Borough Manager, former Commissioner of Administration and Capitol staff; Mark Corsentino, P.E., General Manager, AWWU; Mary Bolin, RN & chaplain, APD; Jim Strandberg, P.E., neighbor, retired.

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