

REP. TERRY NEALEY, R- DAYTON



PERSONAL:

Rep. Terry Nealey was born in Walla Walla, Washington, and raised on a farm in Whitman County that produced cattle, wheat and hay. He graduated from Washington State University, where he also participated in the Reserve Officers' Training Corps (ROTC). Terry won honors as a Distinguished Military Graduate and was commissioned as a second lieutenant in the U.S. Army, where he served as an officer in the military police in Maryland and Korea. After completing his military duty, he attended Gonzaga Law School, graduated in 1974, and was admitted that year to the Washington State Bar Association. An attorney in private practice, he has also held the positions of Columbia County prosecuting attorney and coroner. Terry and his wife, Jan, live in Dayton, and have two adult children, Keith and Kristin, and five grandchildren.

EDUCATION:

Gonzaga Law School, Spokane, WA; JD, graduated 1974
Washington State University, Pullman, WA; BA, graduated 1969
LaCrosse High School, graduated 1965

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE:

Nealey and Marinella Attorneys at Law, Dayton, WA; attorney and co-owner of law firm, 1983 - present
Columbia County Court commissioner, 1980 - 2000
U.S. Bankruptcy Trustee, Washington Eastern District (Benton, Columbia, Franklin and Walla Walla counties), 1980 - present
Columbia County - Prosecuting attorney, coroner, 1982 - 1998

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS:

Washington State Bar Association
Walla Walla County Bar Association
Eastern District Federal Bar Association
National Association of Bankruptcy Trustees
Walla Walla Valley Estate Planning Council, past president
Hells Canyon Bar Association

MILITARY:

Distinguished Military Graduate, Washington State University Army ROTC
United States Army, Lieutenant, 1969 - 1971

STATE GOVERNMENT:

State representative, 16th District. Elected Nov. 2009. Re-elected Nov. 2010, serving his second term

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT:

Columbia County Economic Development Steering Committee, founder and co-chairman
Blue Mountain Community Foundation, board of directors
First Christian Church of Dayton, board of trustees
Dayton Young Life, co-founder and committee member
Dayton Chamber of Commerce, member, past president, past board member
Dayton Kiwanis Club, member, past president
Touchet Valley Golf Course, member, past board member
Dayton Task Force, member, past board member
Columbia County Courthouse Renovation Committee, member
Washington State Cattlemen's Association, associate member
Washington Association of Wheat Growers, associate member
Columbia County Farm Bureau, member

COMMUNITY LEADERSHIP

Organized and coordinated community members and businesses to install lights on local baseball field.

Participated in a committee to raise funds and construct a metal foot bridge across the Touchet River connecting the high school and the athletic fields.

Led the effort to design and purchase Dayton welcome signs and create a greenbelt entrance to the community.

Head and assistant coach for boys and girls high school basketball teams.

Assistant basketball coach – Boys State Championship Team, 1995.

Helped Fab 50 basketball team win gold medal at 2007 National Senior Games and silver medal in 2010 Pan American games.

Instrumental in establishing the Dayton/Columbia County Washington Fund – a subsidiary of the Blue Mountain Community Foundation.

In 1998, Terry and his business partner and friend, Scott Marinella, donated the Liberty Theater in Dayton to the Touchet Valley Arts Council, a non-profit organization.

AWARDS:

Dayton Chamber of Commerce, 2001 Citizen of the Year