

BIOGRAPHY

LARRY W. GHAN

Born in Pocatello Idaho
Family - Wife Carol, 1 daughter

Graduated from Pocatello High School
Bachelor of Arts Degree from University of Minnesota

Work Experience

January 2005 - Present	Bannock County Commissioner
1982 - 2005	Bannock County Clerk

Larry Ghan was born and educated in Pocatello. He attended Idaho State University, majoring in State and Local Government. Before graduating Ghan was selected for the Vista Volunteer and assigned to the State of Minnesota. After his area service ended, he again enrolled in college and received a Bachelor of Arts Degree from the University of Minnesota. Larry is married to Carol Dillon-Ghan (for 34 years) and parents of daughter Rachel.

Larry presently serves as Bannock County Commissioner since being elected in November of 2004. He has served in several leadership capacities locally mainly focusing on Economic Development, community programs and ISU's School of Technology. Further he is active at the State and National levels for Idaho Association of Counties and National Association of Counties respectively.

Larry was first elected Clerk for Bannock County in 1982 after which he introduced and carried out many administrative innovations and efficiencies benefitting that office and the county from 1982 until 2005. He also served in various leadership capacities within the Clerk's association in Idaho and nationally. Ghan was the past president of the Idaho Commissioners and Clerks Association 2002-2003. Since 2005 as Commissioner and then as Chair of the Bannock County Commissioners Ghan introduced a new openness and sought much more public engagement with vital county issues. He has continued to be a proactive advocate for openness in our county government.

Further, Larry has been very active over the years with many community civic groups such as being a past member of the Pocatello-Chubbuck United Way Board of Directors, Gate City Rotary, past Board Member of Portneuf Valley Paint Fest. He is still active with the Pocatello area NAACP, Image De Idaho, member of Idaho Rivers United, and assists his wife and daughter with various girl scout activities. Larry is presently an active leader within his church and has held various other responsibilities. Larry was selected as Executive of the year by the Professional Secretaries International by Pocatello and was recognized by the Idaho Jaycees as an Outstanding Young Idahoan. He was also recognized by the NAACP for his community service in the Bannock County area. He is an avid acoustic guitarist and enjoys fly fishing in Idaho rivers and streams.