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“I’ve lived in the district for over thirty years. I grew up here, and we were happy to move back here to raise our family in 2001. I’d be honored to serve as your voice in Helena and ask for your vote.” ~ Bill

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WHAT THE EXPERTS SAY ABOUT

BILL MERCER



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"Mercer has a resume not often seen in a state legislative race. Appointed US Attorney for Montana by President George W. Bush, Mercer advanced in the Bush years to acting Associate Attorney General, the No. 3 position in the Department of Justice."

Great Falls Tribune

JANUARY 10, 2010

OUTGOING US ATTORNEY MADE HEADWAY, BUT BIG CHALLENGES REMAIN

"One thing I learned about public administration is that if you merely react, there's plenty of work to be done, but the reality is that if you really want to have influence on a particular issue you have to set and articulate priorities and then analyze them to determine how well they are working," Mercer said. "Proactivity is the animating principle here." ... Mercer used that principle to create a national drive against child pornography and sexual abuse of children.

According to Brant Light, former Cascade County Attorney, "Mercer did a lot of good things. The thing that had been missing most was a total lack of communication and cooperation between the federal government, the state and the local governments, and Bill made a lot of effort in correcting that -- it's a lot better now."

Independent Record

MERCER MADE BIG IMPACT AS CHIEF US ATTORNEY

"Bill came in, made a few speeches to us about gun violations and Internet crimes against children, and I have to say we weren't expecting much because we had heard it before," said Helena Chief of Police Troy McGee. "But he did it and we were really impressed. When he said he was going to do something, he did it."

McGee even had one of his officers work with Mercer's office on the Internet crimes against children task force, and they managed to apprehend people preying on children not just in Helena and Montana but as far away as the East Coast.

Lewis & Clark County Sheriff Leo Dutton said he appreciated how Mercer didn't advocate new gun control laws; instead, he focused on enforcing those that already are on the books.

"We're talking about felons who use guns in the commission of a crime and taking those people off the streets," Dutton said. "Even though he was with the federal government, he kept in mind the local perspective and how something affects the people who live here. That's what made it nice."



DECEMBER 20, 2006

OFFICIALS SAY TEAMWORK PAID OFF US ATTORNEY, STATE AUDITOR HOW TO DETER OTHERS FROM ILLEGAL SCHEMES

The successful federal prosecution of former gubernatorial candidate Patrick P. Davison in a \$4.8 Million securities fraud scheme is an example of partnership between federal and state agencies committed to rooting out economic crisis, officials said Wednesday. Investigating and prosecuting economic crimes and seeking substantial sentences sends a message, Mercer said, he hopes will deter people thinking of engaging in such schemes.



JULY 10, 2009

FEDERAL GUN CRIME EFFORTS PRAISED

A crackdown on gun crimes by local repeat felons is paying off in Montana with more criminals being sent to federal prison, where there is no parole, law enforcement officials said. "The success of Project Safe Neighborhoods, a US Department of Justice program that began in 2001 to reduce gun violence, comes from a partnership among federal and local law enforcement agencies," said US Attorney Bill Mercer. "Without Federal backing," Police Chief Rich St. John said, "the arrests would not have been possible. The partnership is strong because we get along, we cooperate. That's what sets us apart," he said.