



Charles F. Barber (1917-2012)

1984 Inductee into American Mining Hall of Fame

Charles F. Barber graduated from Northwestern University in 1939 and the Harvard Law School where he received the LL.B. degree in 1943. Following World War II, Barber attended Oxford University as a Rhodes Scholar and obtained a Master of Philosophy degree in international economics in 1948.

Mr. Barber joined ASARCO in 1956 after several years of private and government practice of law. He was elected executive vice president in 1963, president in 1969, and served as chairman and chief executive officer from 1971-82. It was during his tenure that ASARCO responded successfully to the demanding requirements of new environmental legislation in the United States and to the changing concepts affecting foreign investment in mining in Latin America and Australia where ASARCO has major interests.

Mr. Barber was for many years an active participant in the work of the American Mining Congress, the policy arm of the domestic industry, and served for three years as its chairman. In 1976, he was awarded the honorary degree of Doctor of Laws by the Montana College of Mineral Science and Technology. He received the honorary degree of Doctor of Engineering from the Colorado School of Mines in 1981. A noted author and lecturer, Barber remains active as a corporate director and in organizations concerned with education, the law, international relations and the mining community.