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Former state Attorney General LeRoy Zimmerman will be leaving the board of directors of the Hershey Co.



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LeRoy Zimmerman

In a filing with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission, the chocolate company said 75-year-old Zimmerman informed the confectionery's board of directors he would not stand for re-election at annual meeting of stockholders to be held on April.

Zimmerman was elected last year to serve one year on the chocolate company's board, despite an age requirement that directors be 72-years-old or younger.

He has served as one of the company's eight directors for three years.

Zimmerman will continue to serve as the chairman of the board for the **Hershey Trust Co.** and the board of managers of Milton Hershey School in **Derry Township.**

Milton S. Hershey set up the Milton Hershey School Trust to provide for needy children, and appointed the Hershey Trust Co. as its trustee to manage investments and administration.

The Trust owns about 30 percent of The Hershey Co., makers of Kisses and Reese's Peanut Butter Cups, and about 80 percent of the company's voting shares.

Zimmerman is one of three members of the Hershey Co.'s board that is selected from members of the Trust Co.'s board of directors.

Kirk Saville, Hershey Co. spokesman, said no further information was available Wednesday

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