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## Leo Schürmann

(10.4.1917–8.12.2002)

**1.7.1974–29.2.1976**

**Head of Department III**

**1.3.1976–31.12.1980**

**Head of Department II  
 Vice-Chairman**

### Education and academic qualifications

Studied law at the University of Basel

1939	Doctorate in law from the University of Basel
1940	Public Advocate and Notary of the Canton of Solothurn
1956	'Habilitation' from the University of Fribourg
1981	Honorary doctorate from the University of St Gallen

### Professional career

1940–1942	Clerk of the court, Solothurn High Court
1942–1947	Secretary for legal affairs, department of internal affairs, Canton of Solothurn
1948–1950	Union Bank of Switzerland
1949–1953	Attorney at law (self-employed)
1953–1974	High court judge, Solothurn
1964–1987	Professor extraordinarius for public law, University of Fribourg; as of 1966, professor
1973–1974	Federal pricing ombudsman
1981–1987	General manager, Swiss broadcasting corporation
1989–2002	Legal adviser, Berne and Olten

### Offices held in associations, commissions, etc.

1959–1969	Substitute member, national defence committee
1964–1974	Chairman, Swiss federal cartel commission
1974–1982	Member, working group on structural policy
1976–1980	President, pollution control commission
1977–1980	Member, discussion forum on construction
1979–1980	Member, Swiss federal commission for crisis resolution and job creation

### Political posts

1957–1969	Member of the cantonal council of the Canton of Solothurn for the Christian Democratic People's Party
1959–1974	Member of Swiss National Council
1959–1962	Member, committee on pardons
1962–1966	Member, military commission; as of 1965, Chairman

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1968–1971	Member, science and research commission
1969–1974	Member, finance commission; as of 1972, Chairman
1971–1974	Member, executive committee of the Christian Democratic People's Party