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Thomas d'Aquino is Chairman of Thomas d'Aquino Capital and Chief Executive of Intercounsel^{Ltd.}, a private company founded by him in the 1970s.

Mr. d'Aquino has extensive experience as a corporate director. He serves on the Board of Directors of Calgary-based Coril Holdings Ltd. He also is Chairman of the National Gallery of Canada Foundation and Honorary Professor at Western University's Ivey Business School. Until January 2015, Mr. d'Aquino served as the Lead Director of Canada's largest technology company, Montreal-based CGI Group Inc. He also has served as a Director of Manulife Financial Corporation and his involvement in the financial services sector has included experience on the advisory boards of investment banks Schroders and Lazard.

Earlier in his career, he served as Special Assistant to the Prime Minister of Canada, as an international management consultant in London and Paris, and as Adjunct Professor of Law at the University of Ottawa lecturing on the law of international trade and global business transactions. He has served as Special Counsel and Senior Counsel to two of Canada's leading law firms.

From 1981 to 2009, Mr. d'Aquino was Chief Executive and President of the Canadian Council of Chief Executives (CCCE), an organization composed of the chief executives of 150 of the country's leading enterprises and pre-eminent entrepreneurs. Mr. d'Aquino assumed leadership of the Council in its formative stages. Upon his retirement from the CCCE as of December 31, 2009, member companies accounted for \$850 billion in annual revenues and \$4.5 trillion in assets. In recognition of his exemplary leadership, he was named by the Council's Board of Directors as a Distinguished Lifetime Member.

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