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Boards & Governance

Over his career he has served on 40 different boards of directors in Canada, America, Mexico, Australia and England and been chairman of 9 public companies.

On June 26, 2018 he was presented with a Lifetime Achievement Award by the International Corporate Governance Network (ICGN) a grouping of global asset managers in 54 countries with AUMs ~\$55 trillion.

He created and still oversees the Canadian Directors' Education Program a rigorous 12-day series of classes that has now been run 175 times and graduated over 6,000 senior Canadian entrepreneurs, directors and family office members.

He was the founding Managing Director of the Canadian Coalition for Good Governance (2003-2008), an organization that today represents 50 institutional investors with ~C\$3 trillion of assets under management.

Executive Experience

David began his executive career in 1979 with George R. Gardiner one of Canada's most successful entrepreneurs. He was the investment advisor to the family holding company and continued in the role of trustee of the Gardiner estate until its dissolution in 2011 when it was valued at over C\$1 billion.

In 1984, he became the President of Weston Foods a multi-billion food processing company owned by the Weston family. He joined the Weston Board and for 10 years ran the company.

In 1994 he became the CEO of Old Canada Investment Corporation Limited a publicly trade closed end investment trust which was sold in 1998.

Public Service

In 2013 he was inducted into the Order of Canada (the C.M. above) the nation's highest civilian honor. He was previously awarded a Queens' Diamond Jubilee medal.

In 1994 he was made an Officer of the Most Excellent Order of the British Empire (the O.B.E. above) by Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II at Buckingham Palace for his services to Papua New Guinea. In Papua New Guinea he was the principal economic architect for Independence in 1975. He was subsequently presented with a 30 year independence medal.

David was the Vice-Chairman of Peter F. Drucker's Board for "Innovation in the Not-for-Profit Sector" in the USA and brought the award to Canada in 1998.



He has been a Professor at the Rotman School of Management at the University of Toronto since 1998.