

David Paterson

Third Vice Chair of the Board of Directors



Prior to joining Manulife Financial in 2009, David served as Vice President and as a member of the Board of Directors of General Motors Canada Limited where he managed public policy, environment and external relations through one of the most challenging periods in that company's history. From 1995 to 2002, he was Senior Vice President, Corporate Affairs at AGRA Inc., and subsequently assumed the same role, post merger, for AMEC plc, one of Europe's largest engineering services companies. At AMEC, he managed corporate and investor communications, based in London, U.K. From 1990 to 1995, David managed a wide range of corporate and international government relations accounts at Hill and Knowlton Canada where he became Senior Vice President.

Between 1986 and 1990, he worked on the staff of various Ontario Government Cabinet Ministers, acting as Executive Assistant to the Government House Leader and as a Special Assistant to the Ministers of Government Services, Education, the Attorney General for Ontario and the Minister responsible for Race Relations, Native Affairs and Women's Issues.

David serves on the Board of Directors of the Canadian Chamber of Commerce and the Ontario Chamber of Commerce. He has served on the boards of several industry or community organizations. He holds a Bachelor of Arts degree from Queen's University and a Master of Arts degree in Canadian History from McGill University.