

John Jacobsen

Treasurer of the Board of Directors



John Jacobsen is President and Chief Executive Officer of the Tower Group of Companies and carries on the 65-year-old family tradition of Arctic construction and development in Canada's North.

Since its formation in 1946, the Tower Group of Companies, which includes Nunavut Territory-based civil, marine and industrial/commercial construction divisions, real estate holdings, a full service hotel, heavy equipment leasing and quarry operations, has had to be innovative and pioneering to succeed in Canada's hostile northern environment and to work with the Inuit as full business partners.

A member of the Canadian Chamber's Board of Directors since September 2005, John is also a Governor in Council-appointed member of the federal government's Payments in Lieu of Taxes Dispute Advisory Panel (PILT-DAP). He is a past Governor of Trinity College School and has served on the Montreal Amateur

Athletic Association Advisory Panel.

John graduated from the University of Western Ontario in Business Administration and Economics and later, while articling for his CA designation, continued his post-graduate studies at the University of Toronto.

A true Arctic enthusiast, John holds an airline transport pilot license, as well as a commercial helicopter license and is one of a distinct few to have successfully transited the Northwest Passage in both directions by ship.