

Donald K. Johnson

With an MBA from the Ivey Business School and four years split between two businesses – Canadian General Electric in Toronto and Federal Electric Corporation on the DEW line in the Canadian Arctic – accomplished entrepreneur and celebrated philanthropist Don Johnson began work as an investment research analyst before moving on to become President of Burns Fry, Governor of the Toronto Stock Exchange, Chairman of the Investment Dealers Association of Canada, and Vice Chairman of BMO Nesbitt Burns. Semi-retired, Johnson is now very active in the not-for-profit sector, sitting on a number of advisory boards, including the Richard Ivey School of Business, the Toronto General & Western Hospital Foundation, The Council for Business and the Arts in Canada, and the United Way of Greater Toronto, among others. In addition, Johnson played a role in lobbying the federal government to remove tax barriers for gifts of publicly listed securities to registered charities.