

Steven Murphy, MBA, P.Eng.

Mr. Murphy received his Diploma in Engineering in 1985 from Dalhousie University; Bachelors of Civil Engineering in 1988 from Technical University of Nova Scotia; and Masters of Business Administration in 1998 from Dalhousie University.

He has been a registered professional engineer with Engineers Nova Scotia since 1990. He is also a member of the Atlantic Canada Water and Waste Water Association Scholarship Review Committee; the American Water Works Association; and the American Public Works Association.

Mr. Murphy's engineering career spans twenty-eight years – Project Engineer/Manager in the firm UMA Engineering Ltd./The SGE Group Inc. (1988 – 1998); Senior Municipal Engineer (1998 – 2006) and Manager Municipal Engineering/Senior Project Manager (2006 – 2013) in the firm CBCL; and most recently he has been working as Senior Manager, Atlantic Canada in the firm AECOM (2013 – 2016), and Senior Manager Infrastructure, WSP Canada (2016 – present). The primary areas of his engineering practice are water, wastewater and municipal infrastructure projects.

Mr. Murphy has also demonstrated a community service involvement. He is a member of the Board of Directors of the Consulting Engineers of Nova Scotia and serves as the Board's chair of the Municipal Government Relations Committee. He currently serves as the vice-chair of the Halifax Regional Municipality Design Review Committee. From 1998 to 2015 he was a member of Canadian Progress Club of Halifax where he served as president (2004 – 2005); national vice president Eastern Region (2006 – 2008); and chairman (2008 – 2015). In 2009 he was presented with a Canadian Progress Club National Member of the Year Award. He currently holds an associate status with the organization. Mr. Murphy also served as chair of the Board of Directors of the Progress Centre for Early Intervention; member of the Board of Directors of Child Find Nova Scotia; chair of the Board of Directors of Leave out Violence NS; and member of the Board of Directors of Dalhousie Engineering Alumni Association.

Richard Melanson, LL.B.

Mr. Melanson is a graduate of Université Sainte-Anne (1981) Bachelor of Arts (major French) and (1983) Bachelor of Education; and Schulich School of Law, Dalhousie University (1988) Bachelor of Laws. Mr. Melanson received the University Medal for the graduating class of 1988 awarded to the student who achieved the highest cumulative average of those obtaining first class distinction in studies of third year.

Mr. Melanson possess full professional proficiency in oral and written English and French.

He was admitted to the Nova Scotia Bar in 1989. He is also a member of Canadian Bar Association. Mr. Melanson practised as an associate with Blois Nickerson & Bryson from 1989 to 1995; and from 1995 to the present as a partner. He is chair of the firm's articling committee and serves on the partnership points committee and the associates' compensation committee. His present practice areas include administrative law; corporate-commercial law; real property transactions; bankruptcy and insolvency; and civil litigation. Mr. Melanson has appeared before all levels of court in Nova Scotia and a wide range of administrative tribunals.

Mr. Melanson has served as an outside counsel to the Nova Scotia Utility and Review Board's since 1994. He has acted as Board counsel at various hearings, which included the presentation of expert witnesses, the cross-examination of witnesses and the provision of procedural advice during the hearings.

Mr. Melanson is also active in both public service and community activities. He currently serves as Commissioner with the Law Reform Commission of Nova Scotia (2012 – present); member of the Board of Directors of l'Association des juristes d'expression française de la Nouvelle-Écosse (2014 – present); member of the Benevolent Assistance Committee of the Masonic Foundation of Nova Scotia (2010 – present); and member of the Board of Directors of the Foundation for Senior Citizens (2003 – present). Mr. Melanson was also a treasurer of the Board of Directors of Canadian Parents for French NS (2009 – 2015); and member of the Board of Examiners of the Nova Scotia Associations of Social Workers (2005 – 2014).