

BIOGRAPHIES

Garnet Garven

Garnet Garven joins the Premier's Office from the University of Regina where he has been Dean of Business for the past 12 years. Prior to this he was a Research Fellow at Canada's National Centre for Management Research and Development at the Richard Ivey School of Business - University of Western Ontario. He served for eight years as Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of the Saskatchewan Workers' Compensation Board and prior to this he was in the City Manager's Office - City of Regina. A career public servant, Garven has three times served as President of the Institute of Public Administration of Canada in Saskatchewan. Educated at the Universities of Regina, Saskatchewan and Western Ontario, Garven was recently awarded an Honourary CMA from the Society of Management Accountants of Saskatchewan. A management consultant to more than 80 organizations and four provincial governments, Garven has worked across the municipal, provincial, education and Crown Corporation sectors.

Reg Downs

Reg Downs moves from Chief of Staff in the Saskatchewan Party Opposition Caucus, a position he has held since the party was born in 1997. Prior to this, he worked in the Progressive Conservative caucus for four years and in the Saskatchewan government for three years. The political and strategic direction provided by Downs during his tenure as Chief of Staff for the Saskatchewan Party Caucus has contributed greatly to the party's success and ultimately, its victory in the recent provincial election. Downs attended the University of Saskatchewan where he received a Bachelor of Arts (Honours) in Public Administration. Downs was born and raised in Preeceville and has spent his entire working career in Saskatchewan.

Doug Emsley

Doug Emsley is a successful Regina entrepreneur and business executive whose achievements have been recognized by Canada's Entrepreneur of the Year program. Emsley is a Director of the Institute for Research on Public Policy, a leading national think tank. He is an active corporate director with extensive political experience. Emsley was recently appointed to the Bank of Canada Board of Directors. Educated in economics and business at York University and the Schulich Business School, Emsley has significant public and private sector experience across a wide range of organizations. Emsley is currently the President and Chief Executive Officer of SRG Security Resource Group and Chairman and President of Assiniboia Farmland Limited Partnership.