

The following nominees are eligible to stand for election to one of two (2) positions of Director at the Annual General Meeting of Capital régional et coopératif Desjardins at 10:45 a.m. on March 27, 2009 at the Palais des congrès de Montréal. At that time, the shareholders shall elect two (2) Directors, each for a term of one (1) year or until such time as their successors shall be elected or appointed.

NOMINEE PROFILES



Marc Archambault, Longueuil
Industrial Development Specialist

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE RELATED TO THE COMPANY'S LINES OF BUSINESS

Over my career, I have built effective national and international business relationships for users in the economic, political and social domains. They are my contribution to the economic growth of various municipalities and regions. I have also taken part in the creation of more than 200 companies. Besides developing and managing strategic alliances, I have contributed to the design of several business startup or expansion financing and grant programs.

PROFESSIONAL TRAINING

Bachelor of Management Science, Hautes Études Commerciales.
Certificate in Public Relations, Université de Montréal.
Studies in business law.
DCSs in Social Sciences and Administrative Techniques.

REASONS FOR NOMINATION

I have led boards of directors for more than 20 years. These boards of directors have been primarily made up of business people, elected municipal officials, MNAs, deputy ministers and three caisse populaire general managers. I would like to work with your board by sharing my support, my expertise in economics and my broad experience.



Maurice Doyon, Québec City
Professor
Université Laval

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE RELATED TO THE COMPANY'S LINES OF BUSINESS

An applied economist specializing in agrifood and natural resources, I have been a professor at Université Laval since 1998 and my area of special interest is regional development. In addition to directing the master's program in Rural Economics since 2006, I teach agricultural cooperative economic principles. Since March 2008, I have been a director of Capital régional et coopératif Desjardins and a member of its Ethics and Professional Conduct Committee.

PROFESSIONAL TRAINING

B.Sc.A. in Agricultural Economics, Université Laval, Québec City, 1991.
M.Sc. in Agricultural Economics, Cornell University, Ithaca, NY, 1993.
Ph.D. in Agricultural Economics, Cornell University, Ithaca, NY, 1997.

REASONS FOR NOMINATION

I believe deeply in the mission of Capital régional et coopératif Desjardins and in the values of the cooperative movement. As a member of the Company's Board, I wish to continue the work I have begun with the other members to grow the Fund's economic presence in the regions, especially in these times of economic turbulence. I would like to pursue my contribution to the success of Capital régional in the areas of both development goals and shareholder return.



Josée Fortin, Orford
President and General Manager
Gestion Socpra Inc.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE RELATED TO THE COMPANY'S LINES OF BUSINESS

During my career, I was actively involved in the economic development of a region as General Manager and Industrial Commissioner. I have also held the position of Commercial Attaché of the Québec Trade Office in Beijing, China, guiding Québec businesses in exporting their products. I am currently President and General Manager of Gestion Socpra Inc., whose primary mission is to assist researchers at Université de Sherbrooke to market their inventions. I have also served on the board of directors of various regional corporations.

PROFESSIONAL TRAINING

University certification in corporate governance, Collège des Administrateurs de Sociétés (in progress).
Master of Business Administration (MBA), major in International Management, Université Laval, 1992.
Bachelor of Business Administration (BBA), minor in Organizational Information Systems, Université Laval, 1987.

REASONS FOR NOMINATION

I believe strongly in economic development and in the drive of the regions. In creating Capital régional, Desjardins Group has crafted an excellent economic and regional development tool that also puts it in a class alone to provide financial solutions tailored to the needs of businesses. My keen desire to continue taking part in economic and regional development, coupled with my experience, urges me to ask for your support to represent you once again on the Company's Board of Directors.



Steve Lepage, Brossard
Vice-president, Operations
CEL Aerospace Ltd

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE RELATED TO THE COMPANY'S LINES OF BUSINESS

My experience in SME in a high tech field in the metropolitan region, combined with my previous experience in the regions, gives me an understanding of the issues regional businesses are up against. My familiarity with international markets fits me for the task of extending a helping hand to regional technology businesses that want to grow and export their products.

PROFESSIONAL TRAINING

Master of Business Administration (MBA), Université du Québec à Montréal, 2005.
Bachelor of Mechanical Engineering, École de technologie supérieure, 1996.
Bachelor of Mechanical Engineering (1st session), California State University, Long Beach, CA, 1995.
DCS in Building Mechanics, Cégep de Rimouski, 1993.

REASONS FOR NOMINATION

Born in Rimouski, I understand the importance of regional development, both locally and across Québec. In the age of globalization, human resources are of prime importance and – for regions – it becomes crucial to slow the brain drain towards the large centres by creating and retaining attractive and stimulating jobs. My roots in the Bas St-Laurent drive my desire to take part in regional development and outreach.

NOMINEE PROFILES



Gervais Morissette, L'Ancienne-Lorette
Management Consultant

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE RELATED TO THE COMPANY'S LINES OF BUSINESS

I was Secretary of Caisse populaire du Piémont Laurentien from 2003 to 2006 when I became Vice-President of the Board, a position I hold to date. Also, from 2002 to 2008, I was Vice-chairman of the Board of Approvisionnement des Deux-Rives, a group purchasing cooperative.

PROFESSIONAL TRAINING

Master of Public Administration (MPA), École nationale d'administration publique, Montréal, 1993.
Bachelor of Arts, (3 certificates: administration, gerontology, community nursing), Université Laval, Québec City, 1988.
DCS in Nursing, Rivière-du-Loup, 1973.

REASONS FOR NOMINATION

My skill and experience as a director of a caisse populaire Desjardins (financial services cooperative) board of directors and my university studies in administration have prepared me to work in various areas of cooperative development. My interest and my wish to extend my knowledge in the field are also the drivers behind my nomination.



Gilles A. Pelletier, Rivière-du-Loup
President
Caisse populaire Desjardins de Rivière-du-Loup

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE RELATED TO THE COMPANY'S LINES OF BUSINESS

My employment profile included budget development, management and follow-up. I was responsible for managing about 40 staff members. I have been a director for 24 years, including 10 as president. I had the opportunity to participate in a caisse merger, and I was director of a church council for 6 years.

PROFESSIONAL TRAINING

My education is in medical imaging, followed by a certificate in hospital management. I have also completed a number of management training sessions.

REASONS FOR NOMINATION

I am a trained manager. I served for six years as manager and board director of a church council. I have been a caisse director for 24 years, including 10 years as president of a caisse with assets of \$460 million. I am knowledgeable about Desjardins. This is an experience that I would like to live.



Léo Pigeon, Verchères
Business Coach

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE RELATED TO THE COMPANY'S LINES OF BUSINESS

Throughout my career, I have worked in corporate management. Be it companies of \$20 million in sales or \$6 billion, I have always contributed to their development using appropriate and tailored management tools, while taking part in the decision making process.

PROFESSIONAL TRAINING

I have a university education and I am a member of the Ordre des comptables en management accrédités (CMA).

REASONS FOR NOMINATION

I want to use the management experience I have gained to take part in developing the economy. Capital régional et coopératif Desjardins seems to be the right organization to leverage my knowledge. Shareholders can be sure of my integrity and my involvement in contributing to managing the Company.