



# BLG appoints David Di Paolo as National Managing Partner and CEO

**National (January 27, 2025)** — The Partnership Board of Borden Ladner Gervais LLP (BLG) is pleased to announce that [David Di Paolo](#) will assume the role of National Managing Partner and Chief Executive Officer, effective as of July 1, 2025, succeeding John Murphy.

David's legal career at BLG spans more than 25 years, and he has held several leadership positions within the Firm including as a member of the Firm's Partnership Board and National Management Committee. Most recently, he served as the National Group Head for BLG's Disputes Group, overseeing BLG's national team of disputes lawyers while playing a key role in the overall management of the firm.

In his practice, David is a Chambers Band 1 ranked commercial litigation partner who specializes in securities and capital markets litigation. He has acted for some of Canada's largest corporations in defending securities regulatory investigations and proceedings as well as all manner of civil litigation including class actions.

"After a rigorous succession planning process and consultation with partners at the firm, the Partnership Board has selected an exceptional new leader whose client-first philosophy and strategic acumen will drive BLG's next chapter," said [Gus Karantzoulis](#), Chair of BLG's Partnership Board. "David's track record of leadership excellence, combined with his extensive experience advising key clients on risk management and complex disputes, positions him ideally to lead BLG into the future."

"My vision centres on strengthening BLG's dedication to providing our clients with premium advice and exceptional service while maintaining our strong firm culture. In today's dynamic business environment, clients need trusted advisors who consistently deliver excellence while adapting to emerging challenges. We will continue to embrace innovation, and maintain the highest standards of legal expertise to ensure our clients' ongoing success," said David Di Paolo.

David will be working closely with the firm's leadership team and our board members to ensure a smooth transition with an emphasis on creating an agile and nimble law firm of the future, upholding our values and standards, and delivering for our clients. We thank John for his significant contribution to BLG's continued success.

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