

**BIOGRAPHY****CLAUDE GIRARD**

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Claude Girard received his Bachelor of Laws from Laval University in 1985. He articulated as a student-at law with the Quebec Bar Association.

He started his legal career as a generalist in a private law firm working predominately on corporate business law. He next joined the Quebec Justice Department in 1990. In 1996, he joined the Montreal prosecutor's office in the proceeds of crime task force. He also graduated with a Master's Degree in Business Administration (M.B.A.) from Sherbrooke University in 1996.

Claude is now a Senior Crown Prosecutor in the Proceeds of Crime Unit in Montreal and has enjoyed more than 20 years of fighting organized crime including gangs such as the Hell's Angels. In 2005, he was attached to special a joint task force with the National Police force specializing in major, long term investigations of organized crime in the financial sector.

In his spare time Claude has played a leadership role on many Justice issues in Quebec and Canada. He was elected as President of the Quebec Crown Prosecutors Association in 1998. From 2003 to 2009 he served as the President of the Canadian Association of Crown Counsel. As such, he

co-chaired a National Symposium on the Systemic Response to Threats and Intimidation of Justice Officials, in Quebec City, 2008.

Mr. Girard is still intimately involved in the Canadian Association of Crown Counsel as Past President. Through his involvement with the CACC, Mr Girard has participated in numerous activities of the IAP, including the annual conferences in Copenhagen, Paris and Singapore.