

BIOGRAPHY

L. YVES FORTIER, C.C., Q.C. (B.A., B.C.L., B. Litt. (Oxon), LL.D. (Hon.))

Mr. L. Yves Fortier is a Senior Partner in the law firm of Ogilvy Renault, in Montreal. He was Chairman from January 1992 until 31 December 2009, when he became Chairman Emeritus. On January 1, 1998, Mr. Fortier was appointed President of the London Court of International Arbitration (LCIA).

Mr. Fortier is a graduate of Université de Montréal, where he received a Bachelor of Arts *summa cum laude* in 1955; McGill University, where he received a Bachelor of Civil Law in 1958 and Oxford University, where he received a Bachelor of Letters in 1960 as a Rhodes scholar. Mr. Fortier was admitted to the practice of law by the Bar of the Province of Quebec in January 1961. He then joined the predecessor firm of Ogilvy Renault with which he is still associated today. He was appointed Queen's Counsel in 1976 and an Officer of the Order of Canada in December 1984. In July 1991, he was elevated to the level of Companion, the highest in the Order. In June 1992, he was awarded the Médaille d'Or du Barreau du Québec, the highest distinction of the Quebec Bar. In August 1993, he was awarded the President's Award, the highest distinction of the Canadian Bar Association. In March 1989, Mr. Fortier received the degree of Doctor of Laws *honoris causa* from the Law Society of Upper Canada, in May 1992, from Acadia University, in May 1993, from the University of British Columbia and, in October 1999, from the Université de Montréal.

Mr. Fortier is a trial lawyer who has pleaded important cases before all court jurisdictions in Canada and before domestic as well as international arbitral tribunals. He has also served as an arbitrator on many ad hoc international arbitration tribunals as well as tribunals constituted by different arbitral institutions, including the International Arbitration Court of the International Chamber of Commerce (Paris), the London Court of International Arbitration (LCIA), the American Arbitration Association, the Court of Arbitration for Sport, the Zurich Chamber of commerce and the International Centre for Settlement of Investment Disputes (ICSID). In 1984, he represented Canada before the International Court of Justice in The Hague in the Canada-U.S. Gulf of Maine case. Since being called to the Bar, he has served as Counsel to many Royal Commissions and Commissions of Inquiry in Canada. He served from 1987 to 1989 as Canada's Chief Negotiator in the Canada-France fishing dispute. In 1991, he was Counsel for Canada before the "ad hoc" International Tribunal of Arbitrators which was constituted to determine the maritime boundary between Canada and France in the North Atlantic. He served from 1993 to 1998 as Canada's Chief Negotiator for the Canada-U.S. Pacific Salmon Treaty negotiations. In 1993, Mr. Fortier served as Special Negotiator for the Government of Quebec with the Cree Nation. In April 1993, Mr. Fortier was appointed by the Security Council of the United Nations as Chairman of Panel "C" of the United Nations Compensation Commission in Geneva (Iraq-Kuwait). In September 1995, Mr. Fortier was appointed Counsel for Canada in the mediation of the Canada-U.S. Pacific Salmon dispute. In August 1997, Mr. Fortier was appointed by the Secretary General of the United Nations as his Special Envoy to Malaysia. In November 1997, Mr. Fortier was appointed judge *ad hoc* of the International Court of Justice in the land and maritime boundary dispute between Bahrain and Qatar. In January 1998, he was appointed as an Arbitrator and

Senior Claims Judge on the Claims Resolution Tribunal for Dormant Accounts in Switzerland. In 1998, he was lead counsel for the Government of Canada in the Supreme Court of Canada Reference concerning Quebec. In January 1999, he was appointed by the Security Council of the United Nations as Chairman of Panel F3 of the United Nations Compensation Commission in Geneva (Iraq-Kuwait). In May 2000, he was appointed one of the Trustees of the International Accounting Standards Committee (IASC). In December 2000, he was appointed by the President of the World Bank to the ICSID Panels of Conciliators and Arbitrators.

In July 1988, Mr. Fortier was appointed Canada's Ambassador and Permanent Representative to the United Nations in New York. On leave from his law firm, Mr. Fortier served as Canada's Ambassador until January 1992. During his term at the United Nations, Mr. Fortier was Canada's Chief Delegate to the 43rd, 44th, 45th and 46th Sessions of the U.N. General Assembly. In September 1990, he was elected Vice-President of the 45th General Assembly. From January 1989 to December 1990, Mr. Fortier served as Canada's Representative to the Security Council of the United Nations. In 1989, he served as President of the Council. While in New York, Mr. Fortier was a Director of the International Peace Academy and the United Nations International School. He is a member of the Executive Board of the International Association of Permanent Representatives to the United Nations.

Mr. Fortier is Governor and director of Hudson's Bay Company and a director of the Royal Bank of Canada, RBC Holdings (USA) Inc., Nortel Networks Corporation, Nortel Networks Limited, Nova Chemicals Corporation, DuPont Canada Inc. and other Canadian companies. Mr. Fortier is also a member of the Advisory Council of Mercer Management Consulting Limited. Mr. Fortier is a former Governor of McGill University, a former director of the Montreal Neurological Institute and the Clinical Research Institute of Montreal. Mr. Fortier serves as director, governor or patron of several non-profit organisations, including The Council for Canadian Unity, the C.D. Howe Institute, the Canadian Foundation for AIDS Research (CANFAR) and the Canadian Institute for Advanced Legal Studies. He is one of the Founding Directors of the Canadian Bar Association Law for the Future Fund and patron of the International Centre for Human Rights and Democratic Development.

Mr. Fortier is a member of numerous professional organisations, including the Canadian Bar Association, which he headed as National President in 1982-83, the American Bar Association (honorary), the International Commission of Jurists (Canadian Section), the International Bar Association, the Union Internationale des Avocats, the ICC Institute of International Business Law and Practice, the International Law Association (Canadian Branch), the American College of Trial Lawyers (member of the Board of Regents 1992-96) and The American Society of International Law.

In recent years, Mr. Fortier has concentrated his practice in the field of international arbitration. On January 1, 1998, he was elected President of the London Court of International Arbitration (LCIA). He is a member of numerous international arbitral institutions including the CPR International Panel of Distinguished Neutrals (New York), the Quebec National and International Commercial Arbitration Centre (Chairman,

Committee of Experts), the British Columbia International Commercial Arbitration Centre (member - Panel of Arbitrators), the ADR Chambers International Panel (President), the International Council for Commercial Arbitration (ICCA), the Court of Arbitration for Sport (CAS) (Lausanne), the Legal Service and Research Centre (LSRC) and the International Arbitration Club (London)).

From 1984 to 1989, Mr. Fortier was a member of the Permanent Court of Arbitration at The Hague. From 1992 to 1995, Mr. Fortier was Legal Advisor to the Commission on Global Governance in Geneva. Mr. Fortier has been a Member of the Trilateral Commission (member of the North American Executive Committee) since 1993.
