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Education

High school in British Columbia. Bachelor of Commerce with emphasis on transport economics, 1968 and Masters of Business Administration studies, 1972 both at the University of British Columbia. Canadian Transport Commission Fellowship.

Professional Standing

Association of Professional Economists, B.C. [[Link](#)]

Present Interests

2001 - present: pursuing the deployment of advanced technologies that increase the economic life of machinery; recent focus on wind turbines.

Business & Employment History

2001 - present: active as an independent economist and in sourcing private equity and venture capital.

- 1983 - 2001: conducted business as an investment adviser to private clients.
- 1982 - 1983: Chief of the Economics Division of International Civil Aviation Organization in Montreal. Responsible for the preparation of an assessment of air transport and facilities in the Caribbean/ South American region. Supervised a professional and support staff numbering twelve.
- 1980 - 1982: involved in the establishment in Vancouver of a financial planning company, C M Oliver Financial Services.
- 1981 - 1998: assisted individual clients with their investment portfolios and did some capital sourcing for several early stage companies.
- 1974 - 1980: employed as economist at Pacific Western Airlines, then Canada's preeminent regional airline. Responsible for setting rates and fares (particularly during the period of control of wages and prices and for securing new route authorities, new aircraft appraisals, the introduction of supporting computer programs and for the development of other new business opportunities (such as serving the construction of gas pipelines in the arctic and the United States).
- 1973 & 1974: manage the airports planning unit of the federal Ministry of Transport's Airports Branch, Pacific Region. This assignment involved the management of five professionals and eight support staff.
- 1968 - 1973: served as an economist with the Air Transport Committee and the Research Division of the Canadian Transport Commission in Ottawa. Tasks included appraisals of applications for commercial authorities, analysis of transport policies and attendance at public hearings in support of the Committee.
- 1958 - 1968: served as a pilot in the Royal Canadian Air Force (principally in Europe) and was a support pilot for exploration activity by Noranda Minerals Inc. (which became Falconbridge Limited in 2005).

Publications

[*The Common Sense Canadian*](#) (online political and economics magazine)

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[*Dialogue Magazine*](#) (a national forum of ideas) Articles: [1](#) [2](#) [3](#) [4](#) [5](#) [6](#) [7](#) [8](#) [9](#) [10](#) [11](#)

In-Sights (covers Canadian public affairs) [1](#) [2](#) [3](#) [4](#) [5](#) [6](#) [7](#)

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