

Stephen J. Brooks

Vice President

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Before his work in politics, Stephen Brooks spent five years with the private economic think-tank, the Conference Board of Canada, as Manager of Marketing, responsible for development of the Conference Board's economic services business.

Yet as a longtime political activist, (beginning at twelve years of age when he traveled from his hometown of Aurora, Ontario to Ottawa to volunteer in his local Member of Parliament's bid for leadership of a major political party,) the prospect of working in professional politics eventually lured Stephen to Parliament Hill where he worked in various capacities over the course of a twelve year period.

Beginning in 1993 as Legislative Assistant to a Member of Parliament, he eventually formed his own consulting firm, S Brooks & Associates, providing public affairs, technical expertise and communications services to a range of public figures and organizations.

In January 2003, Mr. Brooks accepted the position of Director of Operations to the Leader of the Opposition, Rt. Hon. Stephen Harper, where for the next two-and-a-half years he managed a staff of over 30 employees in the areas of public affairs, outreach, technical services and correspondence for the Leader.

In May 2005, Mr. Brooks returned to public affairs consulting, representing brand name pharmaceutical company, GlaxoSmithKline Inc., as well as Canada's Research-Based Pharmaceutical Companies, Rx&D.

In January 2006, Stephen joined the Chamber of Marine Commerce as Vice President, with primary responsibility for government affairs and communications. Stephen is also Corporate Secretary to the Board of Directors.

Stephen Brooks has a bachelor's degree, B.S.Sc., with a double-concentration in Political Science and Economics from the University of Ottawa.