

# Getting Board Ready

## Player Cards

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**NAME:** Andrea Morwick

**TITLE:** Capital Markets Executive

**COMPANY:** Independent Consultant

**WHERE DO YOU LIVE?:** Toronto

**WHY DO YOU WANT TO JOIN A BOARD?**

I want to contribute to an organization and support their oversight initiatives.

**LOOKING OUT 5 YEARS, WHAT WILL YOUR BOARD/ PROFESSIONAL LIFE LOOK LIKE?**

I hope to be a member of a number of boards of companies that I am passionate about and believe in their mission.

**WHAT KEY WORD/ATTRIBUTE BEST DESCRIBES THE "PROFESSIONAL" YOU?**

*Dedicated*

**NAME:** Shaheen Yazdani

**TITLE:** Managing Partner

**COMPANY:** Intercept

**WHERE DO YOU LIVE?:** Toronto

**WHY DO YOU WANT TO JOIN A BOARD?**

A new challenge - exposure to new networks, businesses and ways of thinking.

**LOOKING OUT 5 YEARS, WHAT WILL YOUR BOARD/ PROFESSIONAL LIFE LOOK LIKE?**

Supporting 1-2 boards (paid or unpaid) where I am passionate about the cause, and continuing to scale my b2b tech marketing agency with additional operational management layers in place.

**WHAT KEY WORD/ATTRIBUTE BEST DESCRIBES THE "PROFESSIONAL" YOU?**

*Diligent*

**NAME:** Sara Hradecky

**TITLE:** Director

**COMPANY:**

**WHERE DO YOU LIVE?:** Victoria BC

**WHY DO YOU WANT TO JOIN A BOARD?**

Make a positive contribution using my long-time international and business experience

**LOOKING OUT 5 YEARS, WHAT WILL YOUR BOARD/ PROFESSIONAL LIFE LOOK LIKE?**

Serving on two boards; one a Crown Corporation (perhaps as Chair) and one either corporate or non-profit

**WHAT KEY WORD/ATTRIBUTE BEST DESCRIBES THE "PROFESSIONAL" YOU?**

*Diplomatic*



**NAME:** Kashmera Self

**TITLE:** AVP, Strategy & Emerging Solutions Delivery

**COMPANY:** Interac Corp

**WHERE DO YOU LIVE?:** Toronto

**WHY DO YOU WANT TO JOIN A BOARD?**

One must be at the table to be able to influence change within corporate Canada.

**LOOKING OUT 5 YEARS, WHAT WILL YOUR BOARD/ PROFESSIONAL LIFE LOOK LIKE?**

I look at everything I do in the following stages of crawl, walk, run, stroll. I would expect to be at the walk stage where I will hold an executive position within the financial services industry and have 1 to 2 Board roles applying my expertise in financial services and my personal civic responsibility within a Board capacity.

**WHAT KEY WORD/ATTRIBUTE BEST DESCRIBES THE "PROFESSIONAL" YOU?**

*Biased toward action*

**NAME:** Sandy Bernier

**TITLE:** SVP, Human Resources

**COMPANY:** Liberty Mutual Canada

**WHERE DO YOU LIVE?:** Toronto

**WHY DO YOU WANT TO JOIN A BOARD?**

I am interested in exploring board opportunities and so want to learn more about how this works.

**LOOKING OUT 5 YEARS, WHAT WILL YOUR BOARD/ PROFESSIONAL LIFE LOOK LIKE?**

In five years I would still envision myself leading a HR team but would also like to have one or two boards that I work with to help make a difference.

**WHAT KEY WORD/ATTRIBUTE BEST DESCRIBES THE "PROFESSIONAL" YOU?**

*Problem Solver*

**NAME:** Rosa Del Campo

**TITLE:** VP and Senior Investment Counsellor

**COMPANY:** BMO Private Wealth

**WHERE DO YOU LIVE?:** Toronto

**WHY DO YOU WANT TO JOIN A BOARD?**

I want to add value by sharing my experiences and bringing a different perspective to the table. I want to meet other senior leaders and get to know their businesses/organizations.

**LOOKING OUT 5 YEARS, WHAT WILL YOUR BOARD/ PROFESSIONAL LIFE LOOK LIKE?**

I want to spend time helping not for profit organizations meet their goals and objectives. I am very interested in the health care sector and education. I am also interested in the financial services sector where I have spent most of my career.

**WHAT KEY WORD/ATTRIBUTE BEST DESCRIBES THE "PROFESSIONAL" YOU?**

*Engaged*

**NAME:** Daria Hill

**TITLE:** AVP, Corporate Communications & Sponsorships

**COMPANY:** Interac Corp.

**WHERE DO YOU LIVE?:** Toronto

**WHY DO YOU WANT TO JOIN A BOARD?**

Leadership development

**LOOKING OUT 5 YEARS, WHAT WILL YOUR BOARD/ PROFESSIONAL LIFE LOOK LIKE?**

I have a paid position on a Board in an industry that I'm interested in, but that leverages my current industry experience.

**WHAT KEY WORD/ATTRIBUTE BEST DESCRIBES THE "PROFESSIONAL" YOU?**

*Results!*



**NAME:** Celyeste Power

**TITLE:** AVP, Corporate Communications & Sponsorship

**COMPANY:** Insurance Bureau of Canada

**WHERE DO YOU LIVE?:** Toronto

**WHY DO YOU WANT TO JOIN A BOARD?**

To work with new people to help them deliver on their goals and objectives.

**LOOKING OUT 5 YEARS, WHAT WILL YOUR BOARD/ PROFESSIONAL LIFE LOOK LIKE?**

Active Board participant with a challenging and rewarding executive position.

**WHAT KEY WORD/ATTRIBUTE BEST DESCRIBES THE "PROFESSIONAL" YOU?**

*Passionate*

**NAME:** Ashu Gupta

**TITLE:** Director - CIO Advisory

**COMPANY:** KPMG

**WHERE DO YOU LIVE?:** Brampton

### **WHY DO YOU WANT TO JOIN A BOARD?**

I have been on the other side of the board. Getting program approvals, budget approvals, etc. I want to be on the board side to ask relevant questions on technology initiatives and how they impact business.

### **LOOKING OUT 5 YEARS, WHAT WILL YOUR BOARD/ PROFESSIONAL LIFE LOOK LIKE?**

I will continue being a CIO / CIO advisor helping companies meet their business objectives using technology.

### **WHAT KEY WORD/ATTRIBUTE BEST DESCRIBES THE "PROFESSIONAL" YOU?**

*CIO, Technology, Insurance / Banking domain, Advisor, Digital transformation, Legacy transformation*

**NAME:** Carol Willson

**TITLE:** Senior Advisor

**COMPANY:** Willson Advisory Inc

**WHERE DO YOU LIVE?:** Oakville

**WHY DO YOU WANT TO JOIN A BOARD?**

To provide value to organizations through my experiences and others

**LOOKING OUT 5 YEARS, WHAT WILL YOUR BOARD/ PROFESSIONAL LIFE LOOK LIKE?**

Hopefully 2 board appointments with extremely interesting organizations and high performing board members

**WHAT KEY WORD/ATTRIBUTE BEST DESCRIBES THE "PROFESSIONAL" YOU?**

*Relatable, reliable, responsive,  
inclusive, consultative*

**NAME:** Julia A. Sweeney

**TITLE:** SVP, Client Relationships

**COMPANY:** LHH

**WHERE DO YOU LIVE?:** Chicago Area

**WHY DO YOU WANT TO JOIN A BOARD?**

To apply my experience for the benefit, success and growth of meaningful organizations

**LOOKING OUT 5 YEARS, WHAT WILL YOUR BOARD/ PROFESSIONAL LIFE LOOK LIKE?**

Appointment on two boards. Standing in my purpose, engaged in my work, continuing to learn and broaden my leadership capabilities.

**WHAT KEY WORD/ATTRIBUTE BEST DESCRIBES THE "PROFESSIONAL" YOU?**

*Curious, solution-focused,  
growth-oriented*



**NAME:** Laila Paszti

**TITLE:** Partner

**COMPANY:** Davies Ward Phillips & Vineberg

**WHERE DO YOU LIVE?:** Toronto

**WHY DO YOU WANT TO JOIN A BOARD?**

I am passionate about the importance of an effective governance structure to advance technology adoption within an organization in alignment with business strategy and core values.

**LOOKING OUT 5 YEARS, WHAT WILL YOUR BOARD/ PROFESSIONAL LIFE LOOK LIKE?**

I look forward to drawing on my skills and experience as a corporate lawyer, focusing on technology, to collaborate on a board. Professionally, aside from continuing to counsel companies on adopting novel technologies compliantly and advising on cybersecurity matters, I want to expand on my teaching and mentorship activities, which are a source of deep fulfillment.

**WHAT KEY WORD/ATTRIBUTE BEST DESCRIBES THE "PROFESSIONAL" YOU?**

*Driven*