



GEOFF MATUS

BIOGRAPHY

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Geoff Matus

Chairman, Cidel Financial Group

Geoff is the chair and co-founder of Cidel. He was the co-founder, past chair and director of Tricon Capital, a listed residential real estate company with a market capitalization exceeding \$700 million. Geoff is also a director of a number of other international manufacturing and financial companies.

He has a sustained record of volunteer work in Canada: he is an honorary director and past chair of the board of directors of the Baycrest Centre for Geriatric Care, a teaching and academic system focused on health issues related to the brain; a past member of the board of the Canadian Opera Company; the board of Mount Sinai Hospital and the board of Governing Council of the University of Toronto, where he currently chairs the Pension and Endowment Investment Advisory Committee. Geoff is a member of the board and chair of the Real Estate Committee of the MaRS Discovery District, a public-private partnership situated in the heart of Toronto and occupying 1.5 million square feet.

In 2005 Geoff was a recipient of the Jewish Federation award for outstanding service to the community. In 2010 he received the Arbor Award for outstanding service to the University of Toronto and in 2011 he was honoured as “Man of Distinction” by the Israel Cancer Research Fund.

Born and raised in South Africa, Geoff graduated with Bachelor of Commerce and LLB from Wits, and received a Law Degree from Columbia University in New York. While at Wits, Geoff was a co-founder of The Legal Resource Centre in South Africa, when he was the President of the Wits Law Students Council.

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