



## Professional Qualifications

Gary D. Powroznik



### Summary (Range of Experience)

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Gary D. Powroznik, FCPA, FCA, CIRP, LIT is the Founder and Managing Director of G-Force Group <http://www.g-forcegroup.ca/>, a Vancouver-based professional service organization that he founded in 2008, after taking early retirement from PwC after 27 years as a partner, including 13 as Managing Partner of the British Columbia region. G-Force Group combines business, entrepreneurial, specialized industry and professional experience across a wide range of industries to help owners, investors and lenders maximize the return on their investment in businesses and real estate projects, often in a restructuring role.

While at PwC, Gary developed and led one of the largest regional restructuring and insolvency practices in Canada out of which he created its corporate finance and M&A practices in the mid-1980s. He later founded and led the Real Estate & Hospitality Advisory and Transactions Services (REATS) group for PwC in Vancouver. In the 1990s, Gary coordinated the strategy and liaison for the Canadian firm's practice with its Asian members firms.

G-Force Group services include business M&A, corporate finance, restructuring through informal means or through formal plans under its Licensed Insolvency Trustee firm, asset and business management, and real estate brokerage under its licensed real estate brokerage which acquired the REATS practice from PwC. G-Force Group often partners with its clients, senior associates or with other organizations in delivering its services in a complementary way for complex and high risk projects, including distressed M&A.

Prior to joining PwC, Gary ran a successful commercial fishing business for several years, and later at PwC played a major part in the 'roll-up' of the Westcoast commercial fish processing industry. In addition to his professional career, Gary founded and managed a family real estate development business and actively invested in commercial and residential real estate and in operating businesses.

Gary has extensive experience as an entrepreneur and an investor, in senior management and governance, in creating

and managing a suite of professional services and multi-disciplinary expertise to preserve and enhance value for operating businesses and real estate assets. This broad experience, combined with his senior volunteer roles in BC, provides him with a rare combination of insight, expertise and experience to help management, owners, investors and lenders with the business opportunities and challenges they face.

More recently, Gary has developed a network of senior relationships with extensive access to incoming investment from China and other Asian countries. G-Force Group's goal with this market is to proactively match Asian investors with real estate projects and operating businesses for strategic and sustainable investments.

### Education

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- BCom (Honours), UBC Sauder School of Business, University of British Columbia
- Coopers & Lybrand International Business Programme, Harvard

### Professional Designations and Certification

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- CPA-CA, Chartered Professional Accountants of British Columbia
- CIRP, Canadian Association of Insolvency and Restructuring Professionals
- Licensed Insolvency Trustee, Canada
- Elected Fellow of the Chartered Professional Accountants of British Columbia (FCPA)
- Licensed under the BC Real Estate Services Act as Managing Broker for G-Force Real Estate Inc.

### Community Involvement

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Gary also has extensive volunteer experience and served on the Boards of many professional and community organizations. These included Sauder School of Business, VGH & UBC Hospital Foundation, Business Council of British Columbia, St. George's School, Crofton House School and Focus Foundation of BC. Focus, [www.focusbc.org](http://www.focusbc.org)

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