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# Gerald R. Ford, BA, CSCMP, CPSM, CMC, CPSM



## Areas of Expertise

Supply Chain  
ERP Selection &  
Implementation  
Software Systems  
Business Process  
Outsourcing

## Industry & Sector

### Experience

Distribution  
Government  
Information Technology

### Functional Experience

Supply Chain Project  
Management  
Consulting  
Information Technology  
Training and Development

### Education

**BA**, Western  
University

### Diploma Business Administration,

Wilfrid Laurier  
University

### Certificate HR,

Guelph University

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## Professional Summary

**Supply Chain and Management Consultant** with over 37 years of experience and has worked for over 80 different organizations and businesses both in the private and public sector. Gerald is a supply chain and vendor performance management (VPM) subject matter expert and has worked across sectors providing expertise relating to VPM, supply chain management, and human resources.

## Key Strengths

- Supply Chain Project Management
- Management Consulting
- Knowledge of both public and private sector organizations
- Human Resources
- Information technology & software development
- Project and Operations Management
- Data Analytics
- Management and Training

## Experience

Gerald started his career working for a small electronics manufacturing company and quickly progressed from Buyer at the University of Waterloo to Director of Purchasing at the City of Cambridge. Starting in 1988, Gerald worked as a Demand Planner for IBM Canada where he won the Administrative Achievement Award. In 1993 Gerald left IBM and started Cambridge Solutions. As the President of Cambridge Solutions, Gerald has worked on a variety of projects where Gerald's talents and skills can be best applied to solving complex challenges. His customers include The Cooperators, Denso Manufacturing, Culliton Mechanical, Open Text, Proveer Signs & Graphics, McMaster University, Electrical Safety Authority and York University to name a few. Gerald has also spent 34 years delivering training and educational programs both at Conestoga College and for the Supply Chain Management Association.

Gerald has served on a number of Boards including the Supply Chain Management Association of Ontario where he was the President in 1993. He also served on various other Boards including the Human Resources Association of Ontario Grand Valley Chapter, Certified Management Association of Canada Ontario Advocacy, APICS Grand Valley Chapter, Conestoga College Program Advisory Committee Supply Chain, Guelph Chamber of Commerce Workforce Development Committee and Guelph Innovation Network.

Gerald most recently received the Volunteer of the Year Award from the Supply Chain Management Association of Ontario. He lives in Cambridge Ontario and in his spare time, Gerald enjoys coaching girls' softball, golfing and mentoring.