

Gary Whitelaw, Real Estate Development



Gary Whitelaw is a seasoned director and senior executive with over three decades of leadership and professional experience in all aspects of real estate investment, financial management, governance and environmental sustainability, land acquisition, property design, construction and development, leadership succession and human resource management, mergers and acquisitions.

Gary retired in June 2020 after over 22 years as Chief Executive Officer of BentallGreenOak (“Bentall”) and its predecessor firms. Over the course of his leadership Bentall earned and maintained a reputation as an impeccable steward of client capital and as a trustworthy partner. Additionally, Bentall was an early and leading proponent of ESG (Environmental, Social, Governance) and sustainable real estate investment. Bentall has ranked in the top 10 global leaders in ESG for the last decade, as measured by GRESB (the “Global Real Estate Sustainability Benchmark”).

Prior to joining Bentall in 1998, Gary held a series of progressively senior positions with public and private real estate operating and investment firms, and in the commercial construction industry. At the outset of his career, he practiced for several years as a professional architect, working on projects across North America and in the Middle East.