

Kevin Ford

President and CEO



Kevin Ford, President and Chief Executive Officer, reports to the Board of Directors and is responsible for the overall operations and success of the company. He leads Calian's strategy and operational business plans and represents the company in communications with all stakeholders, including shareholders, employees, customers, and suppliers.

Kevin has led the company to reach record revenues and profitability driving increased market value. He has long described his key values as teamwork, integrity and commitment, and has worked hard to foster a corporate culture where Calian team members come to work happy and healthy, with an attitude for collaboration and high-performance. His leadership has been recognized through awards such as the Ottawa Board of Trade 2017 CEO of the Year and the Ernst & Young 2019 Ontario Entrepreneur of the year in Professional Services.

As CEO, he is excited about Calian's future as a company that has a proven track in innovation and a record of high-quality delivery domestically and globally. Kevin views Calian as being in a unique position to leverage a solid foundation and evolve the company's four distinct business lines to achieve the company's growth objectives.

Kevin is a community champion whose passion has guided Calian's strong support for charities, military members, veterans and their families. Calian's Military Family Doctor Network has helped match more than 3,000 military family members to doctors across the country, a challenge for most military families due to new postings and relocations. The company is a partner to many charities including the United Way, the Ottawa Hospital Foundation, Royal Ottawa Hospital, and numerous charities across the Calian geographic footprint.

Kevin has worked in technology professional services for over 35 years. Prior to becoming Calian CEO in April 2015, he served as Calian's Business and Technology Services Division President for over four years. He worked for 11 years at IBM, where he was Partner in Global Business Services and responsible for the Canadian Defence portfolio.

He is a member of the Institute of Corporate Directors and currently is Chair of the Canadian Association of Defence and Security Industries board and is a board member on the Saegis and the Ottawa Hospital Foundation boards.

He has coached hockey for more than 20 years, is the proud father of four sons and has been married for 35 years to his wife Marlene.