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Biography: Mr. Michael Gardner, Gardner Pinfold

Michael Gardner holds degrees in law and economics and is President of Gardner Pinfold Consultants Inc. Michael specializes in the economics of natural resource development and management, with analytical experience covering a range of areas including energy, fisheries, agriculture and forestry. Over his 30-year career, Michael has produced reports for industry and government, including various Royal Commissions and federal and provincial Task Forces. He has also served as an advisor to the Government of Canada in international arbitrations concerning maritime boundary disputes and fisheries.

Michael also has extensive international experience, with assignments in some 35 countries for such agencies as CIDA, the Asian Development Bank, the World Bank and the Asia Pacific Economic Cooperation forum. On regulatory matters concerning energy and petroleum products, Michael has testified before the National Energy Board, the Nova Scotia Utility and Review Board, the New Brunswick Energy and Utilities Board and the PEI Island Regulatory and Appeals Commission. Prior to establishing Gardner Pinfold, Michael served as Senior Economist at Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro.

In addition to his consultancy practice, Michael has taught at Dalhousie University, offering courses at the School for Resource and Environmental Studies, the Faculty of Law and the Department of Economics. He also served for several years as guest lecturer on sea use planning at the World Maritime University in Malmo, Sweden.