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As Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Shandwick Canada, Chris is responsible for the management and implementation of the complete range of communications services the firm offers to public and private sector clients from its offices across Canada.

Before his appointment as Chairman and CEO in 1989, Chris was Executive Vice President of the company and was based in Ottawa. Chris is a graduate of Carleton (BA) and Ottawa (BComm) Universities.

He was the first Canadian Chairman of the Board of IABC. Chris serves as a Director of Golin/Harris Communications Inc., based in Chicago. He is also a member of the Board of Governors of Trent University, and the Board of Advisors of the Clarke Institute Foundation. He is past President of the Canadian Foundation for AIDS Research and Chairman of the Global Strategy Task Force for IABC.

An accredited business communicator (ABC) and member of IABC, Chris is also a member of the International Public Relations Association, the Canadian Public Relations Society, the National Press Club of Canada, and the Public Affairs Institute of Canada.

Chris was named 1987 'Communicator of the Year' by IABC Capitale in Ottawa, and in 1988 was named an Associate of Carleton University. In 1992, he was named a Fellow, the highest honour awarded by the International Association of Business Communicators.

In 1995 on IABC's 25th anniversary Chris was named as one of the top 25 people who shaped IABC. Nominated by several including L.C. Williams, who said: "... he headed IABC at a critical time in its existence. He helped save the IABC Research Foundation/IABC relationship."