

# MCMILLAN LLP WELCOMES JONATHAN KALLES

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[Jonathan Kalles](#) has joined McMillan LLP as Counsel in the Government Relations Group and [McMillan Vantage Policy Group](#) as the Senior Consultant for Québec.

“We are excited to welcome Jono, as he is known to his friends and colleagues, to the McMillan team,” said Tim Murphy, Executive Partner, McMillan LLP and Managing Director of McMillan Vantage Policy Group. “We will benefit from his invaluable experience at the highest levels of government, his deep insight into public policy, and his strategic approach to problem solving.”

With an extensive background in federal, provincial and municipal government relations and public affairs, Jonathan is known for building relationships with key political and business stakeholders in Montréal, Québec City, Ottawa and across Canada.

Jonathan is fully bilingual, and brings a keen understanding of the machinery of government and regulatory frameworks. His vast network includes elected and senior government officials from all political parties.

“As a member of our Montréal office, Jonathan brings exceptional value in his unique, hands-on perspective on public policy development,” said Office Management Partner, Shari Munk-Manel. “The fact that Jonathan is also a consultant with our public affairs affiliate is great news for clients who will benefit from expanded legal service offerings and truly comprehensive solutions in the government relations space.”

Prior to joining McMillan, Jonathan served as Québec advisor to Prime Minister Justin Trudeau. This role followed two years as senior Québec advisor to three federal ministers. Jonathan has been active in political campaigns for over 25 years, and most recently, played a leading role in the 2019 Liberal Party of Canada campaign in Québec. Earlier in his career, Jonathan practised corporate and commercial law in Montréal, and is a member of the Barreau du Québec.

Jonathan serves on a number of charitable and non-profit boards, and is a regular media commentator on Québec, Canadian and American politics.