

Biography

Ronald J. Ilko, MBA, CPA-CMA

Ronald Joseph ILKO was born in Montreal in 1954 and joined the Air Cadet movement in 1967 as a cadet with 588 Canadair Squadron. He continued as a cadet for 6 years, achieving the rank of Warrant Officer Class 1, achieving his Private Pilot license and numerous camps and awards. After graduating the cadet system, Ron continued as a Canadian forces Reserve officer with the squadron until moving to Edmonton in 1979.

In Edmonton, Ron joined 504 Squadron and assumed the Commanding Officer role. Ron left the CIC and joined the Squadron Sponsoring Committee and was asked to join the Provincial Committee, where he over the years assumed multiple volunteer position including Provincial Chairman. Ron was elected to the Air Cadet League Board of Governors where he assumed various national portfolios including Finance Chairman, Aviation Chairman, and was elected President of the Air Cadet League of Canada in 2000. Mr. Ilko is currently a member of the National Advisory Council and a Life Member of the Alberta Provincial Committee.

Currently retired, Mr. Ilko is a Certified Professional Accountant and former Chief Financial Officer of Alberta Oil Tool, an Edmonton based manufacturer of oil wellhead products. Ron holds a Bachelor of Commerce degree from Concordia University and a Master degree from the University of Alberta. In his professional career, Ron has been Chapter Chairman of the Edmonton Chapter of the Certified Management Accountants. Ron has three adult male children and is devoted to his wife Janice, who has supported him in all of his endeavors over the years.