

Alfonso Gagliano

Minister of Public Works and Government Services

Alfonso Gagliano was born on Jan. 25, 1942, in Siculiana, Agrigento, Italy. He was educated at Sir George Williams University and is a certified general accountant.

The former president of a school commission in greater Montreal, Mr. Gagliano is active in several community and business organizations.

Mr. Gagliano was elected to the House of Commons in 1984 and became the Opposition critic for Small Business, Revenue Canada, and the Canada Post Corp. In 1994, he was appointed Secretary of State (Parliamentary Affairs) and, in 1996, he was named Minister of Labour and Deputy Government House Leader.

The Liberal member for the Montreal riding of Saint-Léonard–Saint-Michel, Mr. Gagliano was appointed Minister of Public Works and Government Services in June 1997.

Mr. Gagliano and his wife, Ersilia, have three children.