

John Manley

Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Finance

John Manley was born in Ottawa on Jan. 5, 1950. He graduated from Carleton University with a bachelor of arts degree in 1971 and graduated in law from the University of Ottawa in 1976.

While studying law, Mr. Manley clerked for Chief Justice Bora Laskin of the Supreme Court of Canada. Before entering politics, Mr. Manley was a partner in an Ottawa-based law firm, where he specialized in business and income tax law. He also lectured on taxation at the University of Ottawa and, from 1985 to 1986, he chaired the Ottawa-Carleton Board of Trade.

A Liberal Party of Canada candidate, Mr. Manley was first elected to Parliament in 1988. He was re-elected three times as the member for Ottawa South and was appointed Minister of Industry in 1993. From October 2000 until January 2002 Mr. Manley served as Minister of Foreign Affairs.

Following the terrorist attacks against the United States on Sept. 11, 2001, Mr. Manley was appointed chair of the new Ad Hoc Committee on Public Security and Anti-Terrorism. In January 2002, he was named Deputy Prime Minister and was sworn in as Finance Minister on June 2, 2002.

Mr. Manley and his wife, Judith, have three children.