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Garey Aitken is the chief investment officer of Franklin Bissett Investment Management, leading Franklin Bissett's equity operations and has been with Franklin Bissett since 1998. In addition to the chief investment officer responsibilities, Mr. Aitken shares co-lead manager responsibilities of the Franklin Bissett Canadian Equity Program (2003), Franklin Bissett Monthly Income and Growth Fund (since inception), Franklin Bissett Energy Corporate Class (since inception), Franklin ActiveQuant Canadian Fund (since inception), Franklin ActiveQuant U.S. Fund (since inception), Franklin Bissett Canadian Balanced Fund (2011) and Franklin Bissett Canadian All Cap Balanced Fund (2013).

In June 2017, Mr. Aitken was appointed chief investment officer of Developed Markets Equity - Franklin Local Asset Management. In this role, Mr. Aitken oversees developed market equity LAMs including Australia, Europe and the UK and the respective heads for each report directly to him.

Past duties have included responsibility for Franklin Bissett's domestic small and microcap equity programs. In 2000, Mr. Aitken was named vice president, portfolio manager and in 2002 he was named vice president, director of equity research.

Previous to joining Franklin Bissett, Mr. Aitken was an officer for a senior Canadian energy firm. Prior to that, he was employed with a Canadian chartered bank in a corporate lending role.

Mr. Aitken holds a bachelor of commerce from the University of Alberta and an MBA from the University of British Columbia. He is a Chartered Financial Analyst (CFA) charterholder.