

## **Jean-François Hould**

Delegate, Québec Government Office in Chicago



Jean-François Hould was appointed Québec Delegate in Chicago on July 3, 2023.

This fourth posting in the United States is subsequent to his mandate as Director of the Québec Government Office in Washington, where he was responsible for bilateral relations between Québec and the U.S. federal government.

He worked in particular to position Québec as a business partner in several matters related to energy, natural resources, the battery strategy, transportation and trade policy issues.

This strategic role in the U.S. capital was in addition to his numerous achievements in supporting Québec's economic and political interests in the United States. He had previously served as the Québec delegate in Chicago, fostering political and economic relations between Québec and the U.S. Midwest. He was especially involved in Great Lakes issues and bilateral trade from 2017 to 2019. He also served as Cultural Attaché in New York from 2011 to 2014, promoting Québec's arts industries in the Mid-Atlantic.

Since 2001, Mr. Hould has acquired many years of experience serving the Québec government. He has held various political positions in ministerial cabinets, including serving as Deputy Chief of Staff and Political Advisor to the Québec Minister of Culture and Chief of Staff to the Minister of International Relations and La Francophonie.

Jean-François Hould graduated from the University of Montréal in 2003 and continued his studies at Laval University and HEC Montréal.