

Gail Beck-Souter

President & CEO, Beck Taxi Limited

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Executive bio

Gail Beck-Souter is a woman working and succeeding in a man's world. Since 1985, she has been acting President and CEO of Beck Taxi Limited, Canada's largest taxi company. Gail took over the company after her father, and the company's founder, Jim Beck passed in 1985. Jim started the company in 1967 with 25 cars and while there was no shortage of passion, there was always the looming risk of bankruptcy. With no formal training in management, Gail stepped into her father's shoes and became the iconic company's leader. Through her hard work, determination and strategic business practices, Gail took the financially troubled company from 200 cars in 1985 to over 1600 cars today.

In addition to breaking gender barriers and proving to so many that she had what it took to run Beck Taxi, Gail also raised two children with her husband and today the whole family works for the business.

Gail is a trail blazer in the industry. She has affected policy changes at the municipal level, changed best practices for cab drivers and dispatchers in Toronto and beyond and she has done it with a zest of life one can only describe as contagious.

Gail has been the acting President and CEO of Beck Taxi for 27 years and counting.