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Dr. Fast is the founder of ***The Centre For Family Business*** affiliated with the University of Waterloo and serving south-western Ontario. It was one of the first such centres in Canada and is now considered one of the largest in North America. He has co-authored numerous books and curriculum used by professionals and family firms including the *Agri-Succession Case Study Commentary* published by the Canadian Farm Business Management Council. John brings a background as counselor, entrepreneur, ethicist, and educator to bear upon a successful career coaching executives and leading organizations through transitional dynamics. As an active researcher and speaker, he addresses numerous trade, professional and academic audiences each year. John is a sought after inspirational speaker on topics related to Family Business, Retirement, Work-Life Balance, Leadership, and Workplace Integrity. He is currently the founding partner and president of “***Family Enterprise Solutions***”, a management consulting and training organization through which he has emerged as one of Canada’s leading experts on family business. He is also the author of ***The Family Business Doctor: Ensuring the Long Term Health of Your Business Family***, which has received wide acclaim for its ability to communicate the deepest issues facing business families in a hopeful and constructive manner.