



Michael Nault

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As Vice President and General Manager of Bell Textron Canada, Michael Nault brings a wealth of experience and a forward-thinking vision to lead the company toward growth and innovation. With a distinguished career spanning over 20 years of experience in the aerospace industry, he is known for his strategic acumen, dynamic leadership, and unwavering commitment to excellence.

Michael's career with Bell began in 2006 as an airframe structural analyst shortly after graduating. A few years later, he broadened his expertise in the United States, taking on roles as a Product Engineer at Kautex (Troy, MI), Technical Specialist at Bell's Flight Research Center (Arlington, TX) months later, and System Engineer at Lycoming Engines (Williamsport, PA). In 2011, he returned to Mirabel to lead the technical team supporting operations, and by 2013, he was appointed Chief Engineer for the Light Helicopters Division.

Under his leadership, the Light Helicopters Division achieved significant milestones, including the successful launch of the Bell 407GXP at Heli-Expo in 2015. His team's implementation of safety enhancements, performance improvements, and pilot workload reduction features led to one of the largest commercial helicopter orders in Bell's history—200 Bell 407GXPs. Later that year, he was appointed Program Director for Bell's Light Helicopters and acknowledged among the Top 20 under 40 in the aerospace industry by Canadian magazines Wings and Helicopters.

In 2018, Michael transitioned to TRU Simulation + Training, a Textron business unit, where he served as Vice President of Engineering, overseeing new product development and the support of a global fleet of simulators.

He rejoined Bell in 2020 to lead the Mirabel Aircraft Completion Center, where he was responsible for completing, certifying, and delivering all commercial helicopters out of the Mirabel facility.

Before taking on his current role, Michael served as Director of Commercial Programs, managing program strategy, profitability, certification, continuing airworthiness, supplier relations, and various other critical functions.

Michael holds a bachelor's degree from École Polytechnique de Montreal in Mechanical Engineering and has been recognized several times by his peers for his contributions to Bell's successes. He currently serves on the Board of Directors for Aéro Montréal and the Aerospace Industries Association of Canada.