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American Global Welcomes Senior Vice President Elias Sawan, L.L.B., Expanding Canadian Operations into Québec

With an extensive background in engineering and construction contracts and claims Elias brings valuable knowledge and legal expertise to the team.

Montreal, QC – American Global is pleased to announce that Elias Sawan, L.L.B., has joined American Global Canada as Senior Vice President, where he will lead the expansion of our Canadian presence in the province of Québec.

As a trilingual (French, English, Arabic) resident of Montreal, Elias will be a valuable addition to the American Global team. In his previous role as Eastern Canada's Regional Director for the legal department of a top-tier global engineering and consultancy firm, Elias leveraged his extensive experience in contract drafting, analysis and negotiation for both public and private clients in infrastructure, mining, renewable energy, as well as oil and gas projects. His deep understanding of legal issues and local requirements will make him an important technical resource for our clients. Elias' critical thinking and strong claims management background will provide further advantages.

Kent Peters, President of Canadian operations is excited to welcome Elias to their fast growing team, saying, *"American Global Canada is very excited to establish our presence in Québec with such a talented and high calibre individual as Elias. He will bring a whole new dimension of insight and value added service for our clients across all of Canada. We are very proud to have him as a member of our team."*

Elias is also looking forward to his new role, *"This is a new challenge for me which I am excited to undertake with such a motivated and inspirational team. This endeavor will allow me to use my experience as a lawyer and my expertise in infrastructure and construction to support American Global's clients and partners, expanding our presence in the Québec and the Canadian market."*

Prior to joining American Global, Elias led numerous contract negotiations with owners, contractors, partners or subcontractors on major industrial, mining and infrastructure projects worldwide. He collaborated with project stakeholders to identify and mitigate risks throughout a project's lifespan from the issuance of a request for proposals until the acceptance of the project by the owner. Elias also managed multimillion dollar claims, achieving favorable outcomes by resolving disputes through alternative methods without resorting to courts. Over the past decade, he has worked with three tier-one global engineering firms, providing internal clients with sound legal advice on business operations and project execution. He has extensive experience in drafting and reviewing commercial agreements and training team members on risk management. Elias' prior experience helped him develop his business acumen and learn how to efficiently negotiate contracts and resolve claims.



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