Oberle, Frank: MLA (b. 1957)

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- Privileges and Elections, Standing Orders and Printing
- Resources and Environment
- Private Bills Committee
- Public Accounts Committee

Mr. Oberle studied forest resource technology at the College of New Caledonia in Prince George in 1980 and obtained his bachelor of science in forestry from the University of New Brunswick in 1988. Mr. Oberle won the Governor General's award (gold medal) in forestry in 1988, the highest university achievement.

From 1988 to 2004, Mr. Oberle worked for Daishowa-Marubeni International Ltd., first as a management forester and then as senior forestry advisor. He is a registered professional forester with the College of Professional Foresters.

His father, Frank Oberle Sr., was a Member of Parliament for Prince George-Peace River from 1973 to 1993 and held portfolios including Minister of Forestry and Minister of State for Science and Technology.

Mr. Oberle has been an active member of the community and has been involved with many boards and organizations:

- Métis Harvesting Committee
- Co-chair Alberta Forest Research Institute from 2004 to 2006
- Parent council, Good Shepherd school
- Economic Development Board chair for Peace River in 2000
- RCMP Community Advisory Board from 2001 to 2004
- Peace River town council from 2001 to 2004
- Member of the East Peace Regional Landfill Board from 2001 to 2004



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