



## Asad Wali

January 12, 2023

On Thursday January 12th, Asad Wali passed away at his Toronto home after a long battle with Multiple Sclerosis. He was born January 4, 1970 in Halifax, Nova Scotia. The son of Dr. Nurul and Salma Wali, Asad's courage and inquisitive spirit led him to an undergraduate degree from Dalhousie University. He began his career in Ottawa working in federal politics. After moving to Ontario to study and achieving an MBA from The University of Western Ontario, Asad held a number of prominent positions at both federal and provincial levels of government. His love for people, his ability to empathize, his strong intellect and respect for ideas, made him an excellent counsel both as a professional and as a friend. He was a man who would listen, he would make you laugh, and he would enrich you with the insight of a well thought out argument. As communication became more difficult in recent years, Asad remained committed to staying engaged with people. Ever charming, he demonstrated the ability to hold a room through the display of a prominent middle finger or a slightly angled shift of a brow, and so, we benefited from his humour, compassion, and warmth to the end. He will be greatly missed by his wife Ingrid Oomen, his parents Nurul and Salma, his brother Asim, his mother in law Johanna TenWesteneind, his sister and brother in law Tanja Oomen and Joe Danckert, his nephews, Ranen and Kiefer Oomen-Danckert, his godchild, Zoe, his extended family and his many friends.

There will be a celebration of life in true Asad style in early February. For further details or to leave messages of condolences, contact [asad.wali@gmail.com](mailto:asad.wali@gmail.com)