### Seminar on Islamic Will

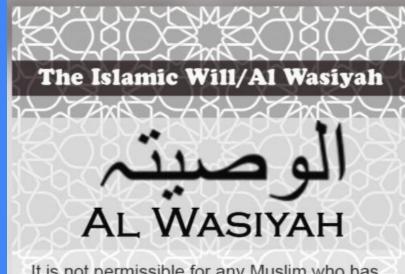
How to Make a Simple Islamic Will - (اردو سیمینار)

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### Welcome

Jazakallah khair for joining



It is not permissible for any Muslim who has something to will to stay for two nights without having his Will and Testament written and kept ready with him." (Al-Bukhari).

# Quran Pak recitation for Barakah by our young Br. Mujtaba Adnan

Respectfully be on MUTE and listen to the Qirat

يُؤْصِينُكُمُ اللهُ فِيِّ اَوْلَادِكُمۡ لِلذَّكَرِ مِثْلُ حَظِّ الْأَنْثَيَيْنِ ۚ فَانِ كُنَّ نِسِمَاءً فَوْقَ اثَّنَتَيْنِ فَلَهُنَّ ثُلْثَا مَا تَرَكَ ۚ وَإِنْ كَانَتُ وَاحِدَةً فَلَهَا النِّصِفُ ۚ وَلِا بَوَيْهِ لِكُلِّ وَاحِدٍ مِّنْهُمَا السَّدُسُ مِنْ بَعْدِ وَصِيَّةٍ يُوْصِى بِهَاۤ اوْ دَيْنٍ ۚ اٰبِاۤؤُكُمۡ وَاَبَثَآوُكُمۡ ۚ لَا تَدْرُوْنَ ايَّهُمۡ اَقْرَبُ لَكُمۡ نَفْعًا ۚ كَانَ لَهُ إِنْ اللهُ وَلَدُ وَوَرِثَهُ آبِوٰهُ فَلِأُمِّهِ الثَّلْثُ ۚ فَانَ لَهُ إِنْ اللهُ عَنْ اللهُ عَنْ اللهِ ۚ إِنَّ اللهُ كَانَ عَلِيْمًا ﴿4:11﴾ Surah An-Nisa

لله تعالیٰ تمہیں وصیت کرتا ہے تمہاری اولاد کے بارے میں کہ لڑکے کے لیے حصہ ہے دو لڑکیوں کے برابر پھر اگر لڑکیاں ہی ہوں)دو یا (دو سے زیادہ تو ان کے لیے ترکے کا دو تہائی ہے اور اگر ایک ہی لڑکی ہے تو اس کے لیے آدھا ہے اور میت کے والدین میں سے ہر ایک کے لیے چھٹا حصہ ہے جو اس نے چھوڑا اگر میت کے اولاد ہو اور اگر اس کے اولاد نہ ہو اور اس کے وارث ماں باپ ہی ہوں تو اس کی ماں کا ایک تہائی ہے پھر اگر میت کے بہن بھائی ہوں تو اس کی ماں کا چھٹا حصہ ہے بعد اس وصیت کی تعمیل کے جو وہ کر جائے یا بعد ادائے قرض کے تمہارے باپ اور تمہارے بیٹے تم نہیں جانتے کہ ان میں سے کون تمہارے لیے زیادہ نافع ہے یہ الله کی طرف سے مقرر کیا ہوا فریضہ ہے یقیناً الله تعالیٰ علم و حکمت والا ہے بیان القرآن )ڈاکٹر اسرار احمد (

وَلَـكُمْ نِصِفْ مَا تَرَكَ اَزْوَاجُكُمْ اِنْ لَمْ يَكُنْ لَهُنَّ وَلَدٌ ۚ فَاِنْ كَانَ لَهُنَّ وَلَدٌ فَلَـكُمُ الرَّبُعُ مِمَّا تَرَكَنَ مِنُّ بَعْدِ وَصِيَّةٍ يُوْصِنْ بِهَا اَوْ دَيْنِ ۚ وَاِنْ كَانَ لَهُنَّ وَلَدٌ فَلَـكُمُ الرَّبُعُ مِمَّا تَرَكُنَ مِنْ بَعْدِ وَصِيَّةٍ يُوْصُونَ بِهَا اَوْ دَيْنِ ۚ وَإِنْ كَانَ رَجُلٌ يُّوْرَثُ كَلْلَةً اَوِ امْرَاَةٌ وَلَهُ أَوْ الْمُدَّاةُ وَلَا فَاتُكُمُ اللَّهُ أَوْ الْمُرَاةُ وَلَهُ أَوْ الْمُرَاةُ وَلَهُ أَوْ لَكُمُ وَلَدُ فَاكُمُ الرَّبُعُ مِمَّا تَرَكُنُ مَنْ اللهِ وَ اللَّهُ أَوْ الْمُرَاةُ وَلَهُ أَخْ اللهُ عَلِيمٌ خَلِيمٌ خَلِيمٌ مَنْ بَعْدِ وَصِيَّةٍ يُوْصَلَى بِهَا اَوْ دَيْنٍ ۚ غَيْرَ مُصْاَرِ ۚ وَصِيَّةً مِنَ اللهِ ۚ وَاللهُ عَلِيمٌ خَلِيمٌ خَلِيمٌ خَلِيمٌ عَلَيْهُ عَلَى مَا السَّلُولُ وَاحِدٍ مِنْهُمَا السَّلُسُ ۚ فَإِنْ كَانُوا الْمَثَاقُ اللهُ عَلِيمٌ خَلِيمٌ خَلِيمٌ خَلِيمٌ عَلَيْهُ عَلَى الثَّلُثُ مِنْ اللهِ عَلِيمٌ خَلِيمٌ خَلِيمٌ عَلَيْهُ عَلَى اللّهُ عَلَيْهُ عَلَيْهُ عَلَيْهُ عَلَيْهُ عَلَيْهُ عَلَى اللّهُ عَلِيمٌ عَلَيْهُ عَلَى اللّهُ عَلَيْهُ عَلَيْهُ عَلَيْهُ عَلَيْهُ عَلَيْهُ عَلَى اللّهُ عَلَيْهُ عَلَيْمُ عَلَيْهُ عَلَيْهُ عَلَى مَنْ اللهُ عَلَيْمٌ خَلِيمٌ عَلَيْهُ عَلَيْهُ عَلَى اللّهُ عَلَيْهُ عَلَى الللّهُ عَلَيْهُ عَلَيْهُ عَلَى اللّهُ عَلَيْهُ عَلَيْهُ عَلَيْهُ عَلَيْهُ عَلَيْهُ عَلَيْهُ عَلَيْهُ عَلَيْهُ عَلَيْهُ وَلَا لَلْهُ عَلَى اللّهُ اللّوَلُولُ وَاللّهُ عَلَيْهُ عَلَيْمٌ عَلِيمٌ عَلَيْهُ عَلَيْهُ عَلَيْهُ عَلَى اللّهُ عَلَيْهُ عَلَى اللّهُ عَلَيْهُ عَلَيْمُ عَلَيْمٌ عَلَيْهُ عَلَيْهُ عَلَيْهُ عَلَيْهُ عَلَيْمُ عَلَيْهُ عَلَيْكُمُ اللّهُ عَلَيْهُ عَلَيْهُ عَلَيْهُ عَلَيْهُ عَلَيْهُ عَلَيْكُمُ اللّهُ عَلَيْكُمُ اللّهُ عَلَيْهُ عَلَيْهُ عَلَيْكُمُ اللّهُ عَلَيْكُمُ اللّهُ عَلَيْكُمُ اللّهُ عَلَيْكُمُ اللّهُ عَلَيْكُمُ الللّهُ عَلَيْكُمُ اللللللّهُ عَلَيْكُمُ اللّهُ عَلَيْكُمُ اللّهُ عَلَيْكُمُ

اور تمہارا حصہ تمہاری بیویوں کے ترکے میں سے آدھا ہے اگر ان کے کوئی اولاد نہ ہو اور اگر ان کے اولاد ہے تو تمہارے لیے چوتھائی ہے اس میں سے جو انہوں نے چھوڑا بعد اس وصیت کی تعمیل کے جو وہ کر جائیں یا بعد ادائے قرض کے اور ان کے لیے چوتھائی ہے تمہارے ترکے کا اگر تمہارے اولاد نہیں ہے اور اگر تمہارے اولاد ہے تو ان کے لیے آٹھواں حصہ ہے تمہارے ترکے میں سے اس وصیت کی تعمیل کے بعد جو تم نے کی ہو یا قرض ادا کرنے کے بعد اور اگر کوئی شخص جس کی وراثت تقسیم ہو رہی ہے کلالہ ہو یا عورت ہو اور اس کا ایک بھائی یا ایک بہن ہو تو ان میں سے ہر ایک کے لیے چھٹا حصہ ہے اور اگر وہ اس سے زیادہ ہوں تو وہ سب ایک تہائی میں شریک ہوں گے اس وصیت کی تعمیل کے بعد جو کی گئی یا ادائے قرض کے بعد بغیر کسی کو ضرر پہنچائے اور اللہ تعالیٰ سب کچھ جاننے والا کمال حلم والا ہے بیان القرآن )ڈاکٹر اسرار احمد (

#### Introduction/About Us

Islamic Will Canada (WhatsApp & Signal Groups) (Br. Haamed Pasha)

- Volunteer-driven
- Non-profit initiative
- Promote Sunnah
- Platform for sharing knowledge
- Awareness, motivate community
- Help community one-to-one
- Not a lawyer service

GTA Professionals Network (WhatsApp & Signal Groups) (Br. Vaqar Raees)

- Volunteer-driven
- Non-profit initiative
- Promote Professional's Network
- Platform for sharing knowledge
- Help Canadian and international communities

### Myths about Will

#### MYTH - I don't have anything to be included in my Will

Never underestimate your belongings/liabilities.

Below items will provide guidelines to Heirs on the followings:

- Where to bury you
- Information about your Bank accounts, RRSP, RESP, lockers
- Property, other investments
- Your children's custody, who will take care of them when both the parents pass away at the same time (God forbid)
- Specific instructions, advice to your Heirs
- Recurring payments (e.g. bills, subscriptions, school fees). Your Heirs would not know for months and the organizations would continue debiting your accounts

## Importance of an "Islamic Will" from the Quran & Sunnah

### About Imam Ismail Ulghar



- Renowned scholar, Imam and community leader
- Head of Islamic affairs Madinatul Uloom Academy
- Imam for Jummah Prayers GTA Masjid
- Founder Bridge for Humanity www.bridgehumanity.com
- Teacher of Qirat-e-Sabah & Ijazat to teach the Ulemas
- Advisor to parliament on Interfaith religion
- Master in Islamic studies from Gujrat, India
- Honoured Post Secondary Education in First Nations Technical College (FNTC)

### Islamic Will - Quran & Sunnah

- It's your Religious Obligation to create an Islamic Will
- If no Islamic Will, then your estate will be distributed per rules of the land
- Emphasized by Prophet Muhammad (peace be upon him)

"It is not permissible for any Muslim who has something to will, to stay <u>for two nights</u> without having his last will and testament written and kept ready with him" - Bukhari 2738

کسی مسلمان کے لیے جن کے پاس وصیت کے قابل کوئی بھی مال ہو درست نہیں <mark>کہ دو</mark>"رسول الله صلی الله علیہ وسلم نے فرمایا "<mark>رات</mark> بھی وصیت کو لکھ کر اپنے پاس محفوظ رکھے بغیر گزارے۔

"O Abu Hurairah. Learn about the inheritance and teach it, for it is half of knowledge, but it will be forgotten. This is the first thing that will be taken away from my nation." - Sunan Ibn Majah 2719

علم فرائض سیکھو اور سکھاؤ، اس لیے کہ وہ! ابوہریرہ: بوہریرہ رضی الله عنہ کہتے ہیں کہ رسول الله صلی الله علیہ وسلم نے فرمایا علم کا آدھا حصہ ہے، وہ بھلا دیا جائے گا، اور سب سے پہلے یہی علم میری امت سے اٹھایا جائے گا۔

### Islamic Will - Quran & Sunnah

• Islamic Will makes estate distribution easier for any muslim family and removes all complications, as stated in the Quran:

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يُوْصِينَكُمُ اللهُ فِيِّ اَوْلَادِكُمْ (Surah An-Nisa Ayat 11-12) ......
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 "Prescribed for you when death approaches any one of you if he leaves wealth is that he should make a bequest for the parents and near relatives according to what is acceptable – a duty upon the righteous." (2:180)

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🗖 كُتِبَ عَلَيْكُمْ إِذَا حَضَرَ اَحَدَكُمُ الْمَوْتُ إِنْ تَرَكَ خَيْرًا 💍 ۚ الْوَصِيَّةُ لِلْوَالِدَيْنِ وَالْأَقْرَبِيْنَ بِالْمَعْرُوفَ ۚ حَقًّا عَلَى الْمُتَّقِيْنُ
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 The Prophet (PBUH) <u>refrained from offering the funeral prayer</u> for someone who had died owing two dinars, until Abu Qatadah (a Sahabi) promised to pay it off for him. When he saw him the following day he said, "I have paid it off." The Prophet said: "Now his skin has become cool for him." (Hasan-Ahmad)

## Walk-through, Writing Simple Will & Knowledge base

#### Islamic Will Canada

### **Knowledge Sharing**

Disclaimer

- It might take you longer time to explore everything yourself
- We share our limited knowledge with you
- We simplify & advise economical ways to create Will
- We host events & publish material
- We are not lawyers & don't promote any specific lawyer
- We don't charge for our services
- Our focus is to create basic Islamic Will
- Please consult with Ulemas & paid lawyers for your casespecific inquiries - we will provide some contact information during this seminar.

<u>Knowledge base</u>: Previous seminars' recordings, Templates, FAQs, list of paid lawyers, Ulemas etc.

https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1-5LzDVEcFKUveakp85x\_fLaWxDDYD9qu

## Islamic Will Templates from Canadian Masjid:

#### 1. Windsor Masjid (Recommended, PDF with fillable Forms)

https://windsorislamicassociation.com/about-us/islamic-will-testament/

#### 2. Brampton Islamic Centre

- a. <a href="https://bsia.ca/Last%20Will.pdf">https://bsia.ca/Last%20Will.pdf</a>
- b. <a href="https://bsia.ca/Last%20Will-Guide.pdf">https://bsia.ca/Last%20Will-Guide.pdf</a>

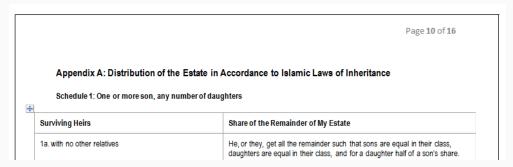
#### 2. SHAYKH YUSUF BADAT (Founder of Mathabah, Imam Nugget Masjid)

- 1. <a href="https://www.mathabah.org/faculty/">https://www.mathabah.org/faculty/</a>
- 2. <a href="https://www.mathabah.org/registering-an-islamic-will-in-canada/">https://www.mathabah.org/registering-an-islamic-will-in-canada/</a>

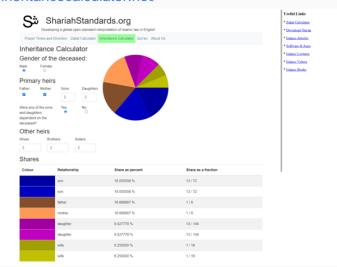
### Who are my

### Heirs/Waris

Scenarios from Islamic Will - difficult to understand for common person.



You could consult with scholar / lawyer OR use the following calculators http://www.inheritancecalculator.net/



### Knowledge base

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- ✓ Islamic Wills Q&A Shahzad Siddiqui & Sh. Yusuf Badat (Recommended) https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ptgK4K9kvl8
- Masjid Darul Iman -by Muezzin Qureshi (Recommended) https://youtu.be/zCUIRgcUKIM
- ✓ Mufti Menk- Inheritance (The Final Rites) (Recommended)

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=v7xlfANdli0 (Part1)

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HNxMgdiUY7M (Part2)

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=OHGVuYnHp0I (Part3)

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=olYuSCsSC\_4 (Part4)

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Ameer Law was founded by Malik Muhammad Suliman, with the firm name dedicated as a tribute to his late father, a World War II veteran. In establishing his firm, Malik sought to provide effective and comprehensive legal representation to his clients. In 2020, Zeinab Khan joined the firm as an Associate lawyer practicing primarily in Family Law after completing her articling term with Malik. Client satisfaction and reliability are the core values of their practice.

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### Importance of Will

- Why is it important to create a Will, especially in the West?
- Who needs a Will?
- What happens if one dies without a Will?
- Who should create a Will?
  - Age requirements?
  - Will for special need/minors in my family?
- Should whole family create a single Will or spouses should have separate Wills?
- Is an "Islamic Will" recognized by the Canadian Courts?
- What happens with my assets in the absence of a Will?
- Does my Will have to be Witnessed? What are the requirements of a Witness?
- Do I have to continue to update my Will, or can it only be made once?

### Quick creation of Simple Will

Tips:

Create quickly - 48 hrs challenge

It continues to evolve

Keep it simple

#### Steps to create a "Simple Will"

- Fill out a template available for free from the masajid websites, for example: <a href="https://windsorislamicassociation.com/about-us/islamic-will-testament/">https://windsorislamicassociation.com/about-us/islamic-will-testament/</a>
- Select reliable & trustworthy people:
  - a) 2 Witnesses (Ideally living in the same city/country, MUST NOT be Heirs/WARIS)
  - b) 2 Executors (person who will execute WILL instructions. Ideally living in same city/country, could also be your Heirs/WARIS)
  - c) Minor children's guardians (Local or International, if applicable)
- Signed by yourself & witnesses
- 2. Give signed copies to Executors, Heirs etc.
- 3. Done !!!

<u>Don't</u> delay it. We never know if we will live until tomorrow -- at least have something & keep updating it, as & if required.

\*Not compulsory to have it Notarized by a lawyer -- but highly recommended\*

### Live Questions - Break1

### Process of Will creation

- What's the process to create a Will?
- Who are the Will Testator, executors & witnesses?
  - How many executors & witnesses I need?
  - Do executors & witnesses have to be Canadian Residents/Citizens?
  - Should they be present in same city/country or can be overseas?
  - Can executors & witnesses be the same person?
  - Can my spouse be an executor & a witness?
- What decisions can Executors make?
- What if Will executors & witnesses die before Testator?
- After creating a Will, do I need to submit it to the Court (as record)?
- What if the Executor of my will conducts fraud or tries to take my estate? Who monitors their performance?

### Components of Will

#### **Components**

- Identify heirs
- Funeral and burial rites
- Executor and administrator
- Custody of minor children and guardianship
- Power of Attorney
- Additional instructions and directives
- Charitable contributions and Testamentary Transfer
- Loans, Automatic withdrawals
- Properties, Bank Accounts, Bank Lockers

- How should I mention bank accounts, lockers etc.?
  - Shall I mention exact account balance?
  - o Cash in hand?
- What about RRSP, RESP, TFSA etc.?
- What about Mortgage & other loans?
- What if I buy new property after Will creation?
- What if I open new bank accounts/investments after Will creation?
- What will happen to my overseas property & assets?

### Live Questions – Break2

### Will Execution Process/Probate

- What's the Will execution process in Canada?
  - o I am Will Executor, what steps I need to take?
- How much time does it need to execute a will?
- Do I need to hire a Lawyer for this?
- Could there be a dispute?
- Can an Islamic Will be challenged/rejected by Court or Heirs?

### Will Expiry & Renewal

- Does a Will ever expire?
- When should I renew my Will?
  - Examples of must renew: Marriage/Divorce?
  - Examples of optional renew: Bank account changes?
- Are Will creation & renewal processes different?
- Do I need to pay the Lawyer again on renewal?

### Live Questions – Break 3

### Will Authenticity & Recognition

- How to make Will more authentic/recognizable by Court?
- Do I must have a Lawyer to create an Authentic Will?
- What is Will Notarization?
- Is Will valid back home/other countries?

### General Recommendations

- Keep joint accounts with your spouse so that they could immediately buy food
- Discuss your case specific situation with reliable Lawyer
- Consult with Islamic Scholar, if needed

### Live Questions – Break 4

### Takeaway:

(Haamed Pasha)

- Create a quick basic <u>"Will Deed"</u>
- Keep it improving and updating

Recording of this program would be available in our Knowledge base google drive, link would be emailed/WhatsApp/Signal to all the participants

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"It is not permissible for any Muslim who has something to will, to stay for two nights without having his last will and testament written and kept ready with him."

Bukhari



48 hours Challenge

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