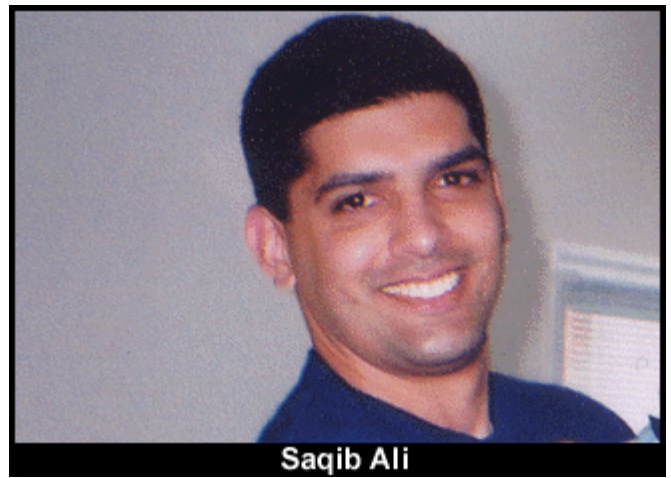


# SAQIB ALI

## DEMOCRAT FOR DELEGATE, DISTRICT 39

*“Fresh Ideas, Bold Vision, Strong Leadership”*



Saqib Ali

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### **SAQIB ALI'S CAMPAIGN REPORTS HUGE FINANCIAL SUCCESS**

Today, the Friends of Saqib Ali campaign, filed its annual campaign finance report with Maryland State Board of Elections. The report showed that the campaign has raised \$66,258.74 (including in-kind contributions) from over 250 individuals and ended the period with \$61,561.48 cash on hand.

This is a remarkable achievement. Over \$66,000 was raised between September 23, 2005 and January 10, 2006 (approx 3½ months). What is more astonishing is that none of the contributions have come from political action committees (PACs) or corporations. Funds have come from individuals, many of whom contributed after responding positively to the hundreds of doors that Saqib Ali has knocked on during the past months. Meeting voters face to face, listening to their concerns, receiving their support financially and as volunteers, Saqib Ali is bringing grassroots politics back to Maryland's 39<sup>th</sup> Legislative District and empowering the residents of his district. The donated funds will be used to get Ali's progressive message out to the voters via mailings, yard signs, advertisements etc.

Ali, a new-comer to the District 39 race, said “At a time when many leaders in Congress are involved in questionable relationships with lobbyists, it is imperative that Democrats lead by example. For this reason I pledged to forgo all campaign contributions from corporations and special-interest PACS. The financial numbers we posted today are proof-positive that our Good Government message is resonating with the citizens. We owe a tremendous debt of gratitude to hundreds of people who have generously contributed. This is a testament to people-power”

Saqib Ali was born on January 21, 1975 in Chicago to a South Asian immigrant family that had arrived in America a few years earlier. He has lived in Montgomery County since 1991 when he moved here to attend college. He received Bachelors & Masters degrees in Computer Science from the University of Maryland, College Park. He has been married to his wife Susan since 1999. As newly-weds they lived in a beautiful and quiet community in Montgomery Village. They now live in North Potomac. Ali's parents and sister, also long-time Montgomery County residents, live nearby. He is employed as a Senior Software Engineer by The Mitre Corporation in McLean, VA. When elected, Ali will be the only engineer amongst all 188 legislators in the Maryland General Assembly.

Ali has been deeply involved in Montgomery County politics and civic life for years:

1. He is Co-Chair of the Longdraft Road Coalition.
2. He was the first elected President of the District 39 Democratic Club.
3. He was the Legislative District 39 Coordinator for the Howard Dean presidential campaign in 2003 & early 2004.
4. He worked full-time for Congressman Chris Van Hollen's General Re-election campaign in 2004.
5. He was Co-Chair of the Montgomery County Democratic Spring Ball in 2004 which raised tens of thousands of dollars for the Montgomery County Democratic Party.

Saqib Ali is a passionate community advocate and urges all his friends and neighbors to be actively involved in the affairs of their communities, schools, county, state and federal governments. In his spare time he enjoys playing basketball and bicycling. Please visit his website [www.AliForDelegate.com](http://www.AliForDelegate.com) to learn more about the campaign.

**Friends and supporters of Good Government are encouraged to donate to the campaign by visiting**  
<http://www.AliForDelegate.com/donate.htm>

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By Authority of Friends of Saqib Ali, Dan Moskowitz, Treasurer.