



**Ali ElSaffar**  
**Township Assessor**

Ali ElSaffar was elected as Township Assessor in May 2017 for a 4-year term. Ali was first elected Oak Park Township Assessor in 2001, and since then has worked hard to help local homeowners understand their rights and responsibilities under Cook County's complicated and confusing property tax system. In 2007 he was named Oak Park's 'Village of the Year' by the *Wednesday Journal*, and in 2008 he was elected President of the Cook County Township Assessors Association, a position he has held for ten years.

Ali moved to River Forest with his family when he was three years old, and is a graduate of Oak Park and River Forest High School. He has a degree in Economics from Grinnell College and a law degree from the University of Iowa Law School. After graduating from law school in 1991, Ali moved to Oak Park and opened a small private law practice in the community. He has lived in the community ever since.