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**My husband recently passed away. I am the beneficiary of the estate, but the estate is small and a number of assets passed to others outside of the estate. The funeral and other expenses will use up a significant amount of the estate and I won't have much left. This doesn't seem fair.**

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As a spouse, you are recognized as a dependant. If your husband's Will fails to make adequate provisions for your support, you may make a claim for dependant support. The determination of the support amount is not simply a mathematical calculation of what you need to survive. The courts also consider the moral obligations of a person to provide for their dependants. The relevant legislation provides a lengthy list of factors that the courts consider in determining dependant support. Another very important aspect is that if the deceased did not adequately provide for his/her dependants within their estate, assets that passed outside the estate can be brought back into the estate for the purposes of dependant support. For example, if your husband had an insurance policy with a designated beneficiary other than you, the court has the jurisdiction to order the proceeds of the insurance policy paid to the estate for the purposes of your support. The same may apply to other assets that passed outside the estate. It is always important to get comprehensive estate planning advice in advance, however, if you are dealing with an estate issue, give us a call to set up a free ½ hour consultation. Email the weekend.

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## PROVINCIAL ELECTION

# ONTARIO VOTES: AN OVERVIEW OF WELLINGTON-HALTON HILLS RIDING

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Agriculture is expected to be an issue on the campaign trail.

### THE RIDING:

The provincial riding of Wellington-Halton Hills includes Guelph and Eramosa, Puslinch Erin, Centre Wellington and Halton Hills. It covers 1,584 square kilometres. The riding has a population of 120,981, according to the latest Statistics Canada data in 2016.

### THE RACE:

#### PROGRESSIVE CONSERVATIVE PARTY OF ONTARIO: Ted Arnott

Arnott is the incumbent candidate. He has served as a Member of Provincial Parliament for Wellington-Halton Hills at dissolution since 2007. He first won election in 1990.

#### NEW DEMOCRATIC PARTY OF ONTARIO: Diane Ballantyne

Ballantyne is a teacher. This is her second time running as the provincial NDP candidate for Wellington-Halton Hills.

#### ONTARIO LIBERAL PARTY: Tom Takacs

Takacs is a master electrician and adult educator. This is his first time running as the provincial Liberal candidate for Wellington-Halton Hills.

#### GREEN PARTY OF ONTARIO: Ryan Kahro

Kahro is a stay-at-home parent. This is her first time running as a provincial Green Party candidate for Wellington-Halton Hills.

#### NEW BLUE PARTY OF ONTARIO: Stephen Kitras

Kitras is a business owner. He is the local candidate for the newly formed New Blue Party of Ontario.

#### CONSENSUS PARTY OF ONTARIO: Ron Patava

Patava is a business consultant. He serves as the party president and is the Consensus Party candidate for Wellington-Halton Hills.

### THE ISSUES:

Housing affordability and the cost of living, with increased gas and grocery prices are expected to be top issues heading into the

election. Supporting health care workers, conditions in long-term care, climate change and protecting natural resources, such as farm and wetlands are priorities on the campaign trail.

### BACKGROUND:

The riding has had a Progressive Conservative stronghold for more than a decade. It was created in 2007 from the former Waterloo-Wellington riding from 1999 to 2007 and Wellington riding before that from 1990 to 1999. Arnott has been serving his constituents since 1990 as one of the longest serving MPPs in the Ontario legislature.

Arnott won the 2018 election with 54 per cent of the votes, while challenger, Diane Ballantyne of the NDP gained 24 per cent of the vote.

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