

Hugh Winsor

Writer and broadcaster

Hugh Winsor is one of Canada's leading commentators on public affairs and a senior member of the Parliamentary Press Gallery.. Since September 1997, he has been writing a thrice-weekly column in The Globe and Mail on national politics entitled The Power Game.

In 1985 he was named the Globe's Ottawa-based national political editor involved in the reporting and analysis of a wide range of political topics. His areas of concentration include party leadership (including the role and activities of the prime minister of the day), structure of cabinet and government, parliamentary and electoral reform and the general political strategies for all national parties. Mr. Winsor has also been part of the team which designs and interprets public opinion polls for The Globe and Mail.

He has covered eight federal elections and a dozen leadership changes among the federal parties plus several provincial elections since switching from foreign affairs writing to domestic politics in the 1970s.

His career at The Globe and Mail has included editorial writing on foreign policy and development issues, magazine and travel articles, and also a daily column on Ontario provincial affairs at Queen's Park between 1978 and 1981. In January 1982, Mr. Winsor left The Globe and Mail to join the team that created The Journal on the CBC English Television Network and served as its first national affairs correspondent until the federal election of 1984 when he returned to The Globe as Ottawa Bureau Chief.

Mr. Winsor is also the Canadian correspondent for The Independent newspaper published in London, England.

He is a graduate of Queen's University in Kingston in economics and political science and has undertaken non-degree oriented post graduate studies at the University of Toronto in the economics of developing countries.

From 1966 to 1969, he taught journalism at the Institute of Adult Education in Dar es Salaam Tanzania and contributed articles about Africa during that period to several Canadian publications. He was a founding director of the North South Institute and has also served on the boards of CUSO and OXFAM.

He was a member of a Globe and Mail team which won the Mitchener Award for Public Service Journalism and has also been given the Charles Lynch Award for distinguished journalism. He was nominated for a National Newspaper Award for column writing in 1998.

He is a member of the Rideau Tennis and Squash Club and the Nepean Sailing Club.

Mr. Winsor is married to Dr. Christina Cameron and is father of Christopher, Stephanie and Megan Winsor.