



Ebury Press has acquired a compelling memoir by **Nazir Afzal OBE**, a former Chief Crown Prosecutor described as the ‘**true face of British justice**’ by the *New York Times*.

In ***The Prosecutor***, Afzal will chart his journey from being a young British Pakistani boy facing racism on the streets of Birmingham to becoming one of the most senior figures in the British justice system. In his time as a prosecutor, he oversaw cases including the Rochdale sex ring and the earliest prosecutions for honour killing and modern slavery, and throughout his career has been committed to giving a voice to society’s voiceless. He is a contributor to the *New Statesman* and the *Daily Mail*, and has appeared in broadcast media on *Newsnight* and *The One Show*, most recently in a powerful segment on knife crime following the death of his nephew earlier this year.

Robyn Drury, commissioning editor for Ebury Press, acquired world rights directly from the author. She said: ‘I’ve been an admirer of Nazir’s work and his bold voice for a long time - for him, pursuing justice is truly a way of life, not just a job, and his passionate advocacy on behalf of the most vulnerable members of society is incredibly inspiring. And whilst Nazir is very serious about what he does, he goes about it with humour, wit and kindness, as you can often see on his popular Twitter feed. I’m absolutely delighted to be publishing him here at Ebury and can’t wait to see his extraordinary story reach a wider audience.’

Nazir Afzal added: ‘I’m delighted to share my story, and that of the many people who have touched my life with theirs. As the son of an immigrant who built his life on delivering justice for some of the most vulnerable people in the country and worldwide, I want my failures and successes to inform what we must all do to reduce harm.’

The Prosecutor will be published in early 2020 in hardback and ebook.

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