

*George Magrum for S.F.N.
Wolf Councillor*



I am a member of the wolf clan, Born in Mayo to Virginia Simon and Warren Magrum in 1973. My grandparents are Edward and Margret Simon. My grandfather's people are from Tatlamun and Towata Lakes people, and my grandmother comes from chief Big Johnathon's people from Selkirk.

I was raised with my grandparents, and that taught me many valuable lessons. This has also given me strength through the hard times, and wisdom in following our ways within daily life.

My personal interests are drawing contemporary native art, playing my guitar, walking my dogs and spending time with my family. I also truly enjoy traditional dancing, singing, drumming and stick gambling. My wife and I recently began fostering as I strongly believe our children need to be home with our people.

My first job was running rabbit snares at the age seven and eight, as it was the only way I could drive my grandpa's skidoo. At the age thirteen I picked pinecones for Harry McGinty at 11% Hill, Stewart Crossing and other odd jobs such as cutting, packing and stacking wood for elders after school. After finishing college at the age of seventeen I was hired as a umbrella final agreement facilitator, which is part of the land claims ratification process and then started working as a land claims researcher interviewing elders. I would listen with a notebook and maps, this research would later go into our negotiations and became our land selections. I then went to work line cutting and surveying line for our land selections where I could see the land the elders told me about and recall the stories to why these areas were and are important to our people. I did this for nine years and I want to protect these areas as well as utilize them for our people. I worked for Selkirk First Nation Lands and Resources Dept. for a total of 15 years as a Researcher, Band Resource Officer, and then as Lands Manager. I also served as wolf councillor for the last three years. 2013-2016

My Priorities include,

- Education and culture
- Housing and community infrastructure
- Healing, wellness and homelessness Protection of our land and final agreements
- Protection of our rights as Yukon first nations
- Our elders and our children

My message is that I believe in our people, I believe in our culture, I believe in our Nation, and I believe we can heal and move away from residential school affects and colonization and move forward to building a stronger future for our people through education, culture, and hard work. I am looking forward and would like to thank you in advance for your vote for having me continue as wolf councillor.

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