# Official Voting Results







21 December, 2015

The Honourable Jackson Lafferty Speaker Legislative Assembly of the Northwest Territories P.O. Box 1320 Yellowknife, NT X1A 2L9

Dear Mr. Speaker,

#### **Official Voting Results**

In accordance with section 265 of the *Elections and Plebiscites Act* it is my pleasure to provide you with a report on the Official Voting Results for the 18<sup>th</sup> Territorial General Election.

This report provides all the detail set out in subsection 265(1), by polling division, for the 18 electoral districts that held electoral events and documents the acclamation that occurred in the district of Monfwi.

Sincerely,

Nicole Latour

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Chief Electoral Officer

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#### **Preface**

On October 20, 2015, the Commissioner of the Northwest Territories signed the Writ of Election Order. The Order directed the Chief Electoral Officer to issue writs of election for all 19 electoral districts upon dissolution of the 17th Legislative Assembly of the Northwest Territories on October 25, 2015.

The Writ of Election Order fixed November 23, 2015 as the day on which a poll, if required, must be held. The Order adhered to paragraph 39(2)(c) of the *Elections and Plebiscites Act* in keeping a minimum 28-day campaign period.

Writs of election were issued by the Chief Electoral Officer to Returning Officers for each electoral district the morning of October 26. The writs were made returnable no later than December 7, 2015, two weeks after polling day. Proclamations for the election were posted October 26 and the electoral event commenced.

#### **Candidates**

The nomination period opened on October 26 and closed at 2:00 pm October 30. By 5:00 p.m. that same day no declarations of withdrawals were received and a total of 60 candidates stood for election.

In the electoral district of Monfwi, a single candidate was acclaimed on October 30, 2015. The remaining 18 electoral districts proceeded with electoral events.

Seven candidates stood for election in the district of Nahendeh, making it the longest ballot paper in the 2015 election. Ten women stood for election in nine districts, representing 17 percent of the total number of candidates.

#### **Voting**

Prior to ordinary polling day, a number of Special Voting Opportunity polls were offered. Electors who participated in Absentee, Mobile, Multi-District, Advance, or Voting in the Office of the Returning Officer polls represented 27 percent of ballots cast in the territorial general election.

As in 2011, the largest turnout was seen in the Voting in the Office of the Returning Officer poll which accounted for 79 percent of all ballots cast in Special Voting Opportunities.

Electors were being struck from the Register of Electors as having voted as early as October 30 through the administration of the Absentee Ballot.

In total, 12,702 ballots were cast in the 2015 Territorial General Election, representing a 44 percent voter turnout. This was an increase of 873 ballots over the 11.865 that were cast in 2011.

#### **Judicial Recounts**

In accordance with subsection 206(1) of the Elections and Plebiscites Act, polling results triggered judicial recounts in the electoral districts of Nunakput, Range Lake, and Yellowknife North. Subsection 206(1) requires a Returning Officer to make an application to a judge for a recount if, after the official addition, a tie occurs between two candidates or if the number of votes separating the candidate with the most votes from any other candidate is less than two percent of the total votes cast. The latter case occurred in all three instances.

Judicial recounts occurred in the Supreme Court of the Northwest Territories on November 30, 2015 and December 1, 2015 and determined official results for the districts of Nunakput, Range Lake and Yellowknife North.

The judicial recounts upheld the initial unofficial results for the electoral districts of Nunakput and Yellowknife North. The Range Lake recount reduced the margin of win from ten to five ballot papers, but upheld the victory of the candidate identified in the unofficial results.

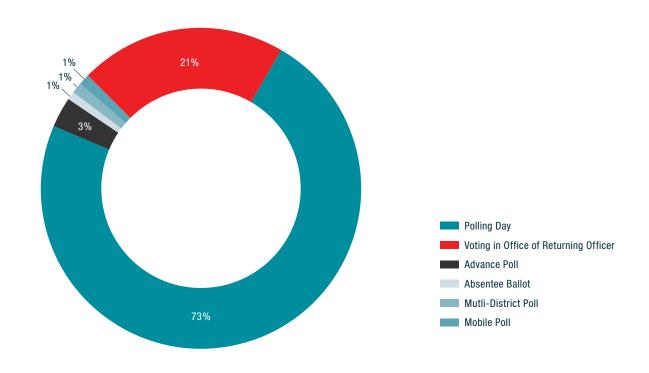
#### Reporting

Upon the close of ordinary polls the unofficial results were reported to the public on the Elections NWT website. With the exception of the three districts that underwent judicial recounts, Returning Officers conducted official addition in the following days to determine official results and completed their Returns of the Writ of Election.

All Returns of the Writ of Election were returned to the Office of the Chief Electoral Officer by December 3, 2015. The names of the candidates duly elected in each electoral district are to be published in the Northwest Territories Gazette on December 22, 2015.

# **Voting Opportunities**

#### Ballots Cast by Voting Opportunity, as Percentage of the Total Ballots Cast



	All Ballots	Polling Day	Advance Poll	Absentee Ballot	Multi-District Poll	Mobile Poll	Voting in Office of Returning Officer
Total*	12,707	9,299	377	109	99	122	2,701
Percentage		73%	3%	1%	1%	1%	21%

<sup>\*</sup> includes rejected and declined ballots

# **Special Voting Opportunities**

Mobile polls were available in each electoral district.

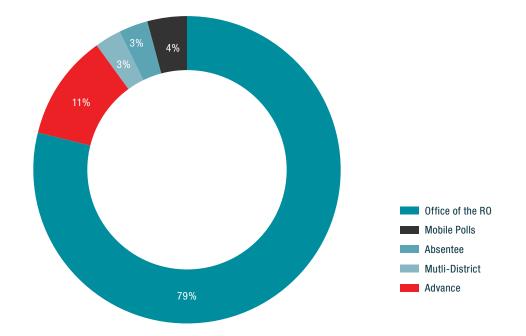
There was an **Advance** poll held in each community in an electoral district that does not have a resident Returning Officer.

A Voting in the Office of the Returning Officer poll occurred in each electoral district in community with a resident Returning Officer.

The **Absentee Ballot** poll was administered as a single poll for all electoral districts.

A Multi-District poll was administered in eight locations; all adult correctional facilities, the three main Aurora College campuses, and a single diamond mine granted Elections NWT permission to hold multi-district polls for all electoral districts.

#### Ballots Cast by Type of Special Voting Opportunity, as a Percentage of Total Ballots Cast



#### **Ballots Cast by Special Voting Opportunity, by Electoral District**

Electoral District	Total Ballots*	Ballots cast by Special Voting Opportunity	Ballots cast by Special Voting Opportunity as a percentage of total votes
Deh Cho	471	59	13%
Frame Lake	548	127	23%
Great Slave	650	145	22%
Hay River North	712	302	42%
Hay River South	790	424	54%
Inuvik Boot Lake	415	75	18%
Inuvik Twin Lakes	438	139	32%
Kam Lake	486	75	15%
Mackenzie Delta	656	208	32%
Monfwi**	0	0	0%
Nahendeh	999	391	39%
Nunakput	752	138	18%
Range Lake	662	116	18%
Sahtu	931	153	16%
Thebacha	943	329	35%
Tu Nedhé-Wiilideh	587	54	9%
Yellowknife Centre	869	263	30%
Yellowknife North	1,103	277	25%
Yellowknife South	695	133	19%
Totals	12,707	3,408	27%

<sup>\*</sup> includes rejected and declined ballots

<sup>\*\*</sup>candidate was acclaimed

# **Ballots Cast by Electoral District**

Electoral District	Number of Candidates	Polling Divisions	Total Ballots*	Number of Registered Electors	Voter Turnout as a percentage	
Deh Cho	4	5	471	776	61%	
Frame Lake	4	5	548	1,982	28%	
Great Slave	2	4	650	2,384	27%	
Hay River North	3	4	712	1,377	52%	
Hay River South	3	3	790	1,374	57%	
Inuvik Boot Lake	2	3	415	971	43%	
Inuvik Twin Lakes	2	2	438	1,014	43%	
Kam Lake	2	5	486	1,923	25%	
Mackenzie Delta	4	5	656	998	66%	
Monfwi**	1	7	0	1,711	0%	
Nahendeh	7	8	999	1,661	60%	
Nunakput	5	5	752	991	76%	
Range Lake	2	6	662	2,092	32%	
Sahtu	4	6	931	1,592	58%	
Thebacha	3	6	943	1,844	51%	
Tu Nedhé-Wiilideh	2	4	587	822	71%	
Yellowknife Centre	2	5	869	2,316	38%	
Yellowknife North	5	5	1103	2,448	45%	
Yellowknife South	3	5	695	2,097	33%	
Totals	60	93	12,707	28,662	44%	

<sup>\*</sup> includes rejected and declined ballots

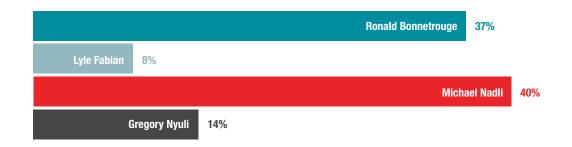
<sup>\*\*</sup>candidate was acclaimed

## **Deh Cho**

**Returning Officer:** Vivianne Cadieux

Candidates: Ronald Bonnetrouge

Lyle Fabian Michael Nadli Gregory Nyuli





Candidate duly elected: Michael Nadli

Margin\*: 18 (4%)

<sup>\*</sup>the margin by which the Candidate receiving the most votes exceeded the second-place Candidate, as a total and as a percentage.

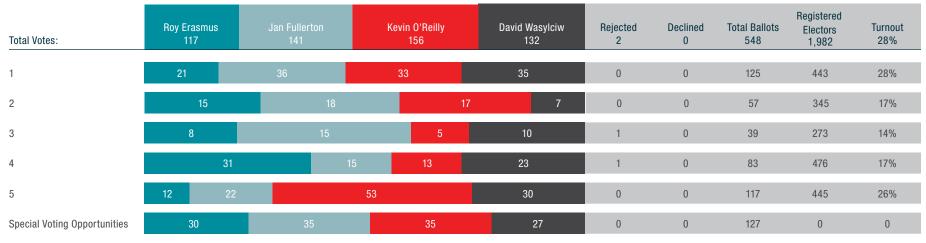
# Frame Lake

Returning Officer: Mona Durkee

**Candidates:** Roy Erasmus

Jan Fullerton Kevin O'Reilly David Wasylciw





Candidate duly elected: Kevin O'Reilly

Margin\*: 15 (3%)

<sup>\*</sup>the margin by which the Candidate receiving the most votes exceeded the second-place Candidate, as a total and as a percentage.

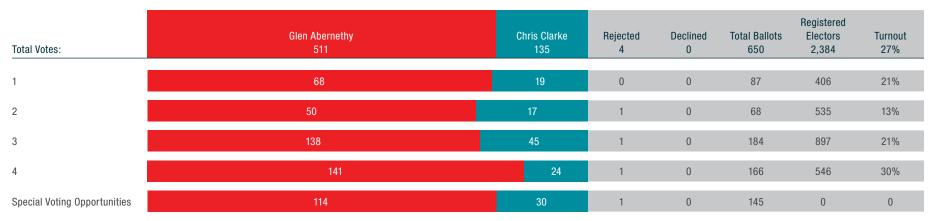
# **Great Slave**

Returning Officer: Brenda Kolson

**Candidates:** Glen Abernethy

Chris Clarke





Candidate duly elected: Glen Abernethy

**Margin\*:** 376 (58%)

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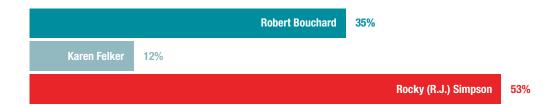
# **Hay River North**

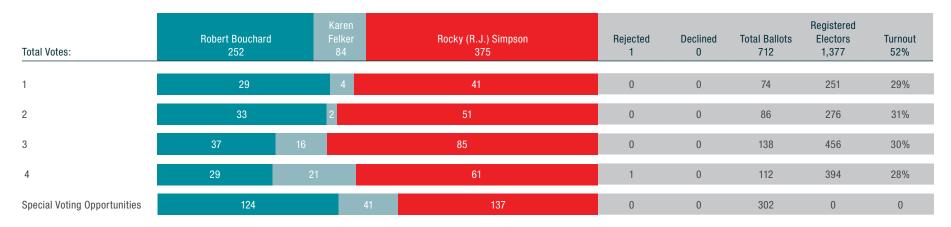
Returning Officer: Marny Twigge

**Candidates:** Robert Bouchard

Karen Felker

Rocky (R.J.) Simpson





Candidate duly elected: Rocky (R.J.) Simpson

Margin\*: 123 (17%)

<sup>\*</sup>the margin by which the Candidate receiving the most votes exceeded the second-place Candidate, as a total and as a percentage.

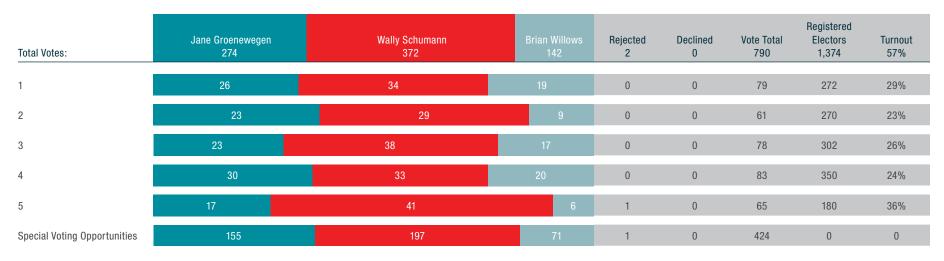
# **Hay River South**

**Returning Officer:** Heather Coakwell

Candidates: Jane Groenewegen

Wally Schumann Brian Willows





Candidate duly elected: Wally Schumann

Margin\*: 98 (12%)

<sup>\*</sup>the margin by which the Candidate receiving the most votes exceeded the second-place Candidate, as a total and as a percentage.

# **Inuvik Boot Lake**

Returning Officer: Debbie Gordon-Ruben

Candidates: Desmond Z. Loreen Alfred Moses





Candidate duly elected: Alfred Moses

Margin\*: 319 (77%)

<sup>\*</sup>the margin by which the Candidate receiving the most votes exceeded the second-place Candidate, as a total and as a percentage.

# **Inuvik Twin Lakes**

Returning Officer: Juanita Bourque

Candidates: Jimmy Kalinek Robert C. McLeod



Total Votes:	Jimmy Kalinek 174	Robert C. McLeod 262	Rejected 1	Declined 1	Vote Total 438	Registered Electors 1,014	Turnout 43%
1	74	108	0	0	182	538	34%
2	44	71	1	1	117	476	25%
Special Voting Opportunities	56	83	0	0	139	0	0

Candidate duly elected: Robert C. McLeod

Margin\*: 88 (20%)

<sup>\*</sup>the margin by which the Candidate receiving the most votes exceeded the second-place Candidate, as a total and as a percentage.

# Kam Lake

**Returning Officer:** Mary Beauchamp

Candidates: Dave Ramsay

Kieron Testart





Candidate duly elected: Kieron Testart

Margin\*: 78 (16%)

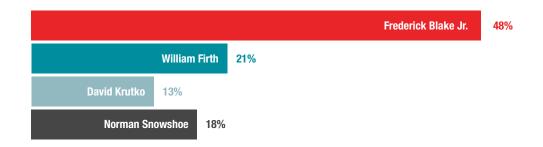
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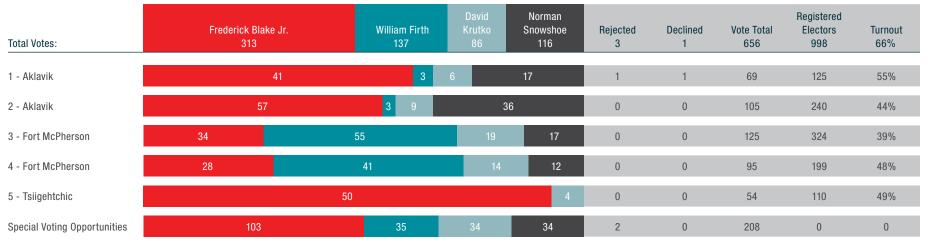
# Mackenzie Delta

**Returning Officer:** Daryn Erigaktuak

Candidates: Frederick Blake Jr.

William Firth
David Krutko
Norman Snowshoe





Candidate duly elected: Frederick Blake Jr.

**Margin\*:** 176 (27%)

<sup>\*</sup>the margin by which the Candidate receiving the most votes exceeded the second-place Candidate, as a total and as a percentage.

# Monfwi

**Returning Officer:** Harriet Koyina

Candidate: Jackson Lafferty

Total Votes:	Lafferty Acclaimed	Rejected 0	Declined 0	Total Ballots 0	Registered Electors 1,711	Turnout 0
1 - Behchoko	0	0	0	0	170	0%
2 - Behchoko	0	0	0	0	427	0%
3 - Behchoko	0	0	0	0	319	0%
4 - Edzo	0	0	0	0	204	0%
5 - Whati	0	0	0	0	327	0%
6 - Gameti	0	0	0	0	179	0%
7 - Wekweeti	0	0	0	0	85	0%
Special Voting Opportunities	0	0	0	0	0	0

Candidate acclaimed as elected: Jackson Lafferty

**Margin\*:** 0 (0%)

<sup>\*</sup>the margin by which the Candidate receiving the most votes exceeded the second-place Candidate, as a total and as a percentage.

#### Nahendeh



Candidate duly elected: Shane Thompson

Margin\*: 98 (10%)

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# Nunakput

Returning Officer: Terri Lee Kuptana

Candidates: Ethel-Jean Gruben

Jackie Jacobson Robert Kuptana Herbert Nakimayak John Stuart Jr.



Candidate duly elected: Herbert Nakimayak

Margin\*: 4 (1%)

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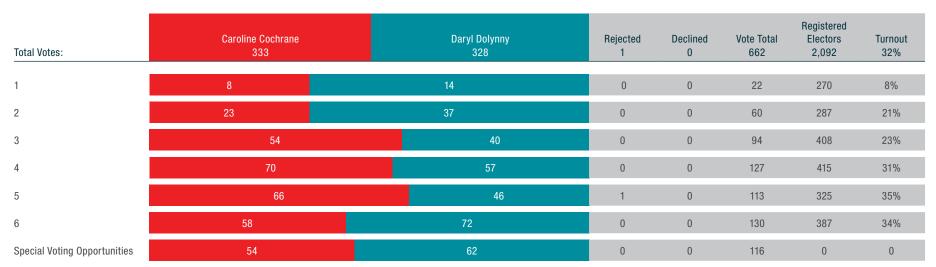
# Range Lake

Returning Officer: Linda Balsillie

**Candidates:** Caroline Cochrane

Daryl Dolynny





Candidate duly elected: Caroline Cochrane

**Margin\*:** 5 (1%)

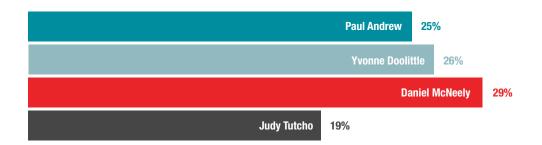
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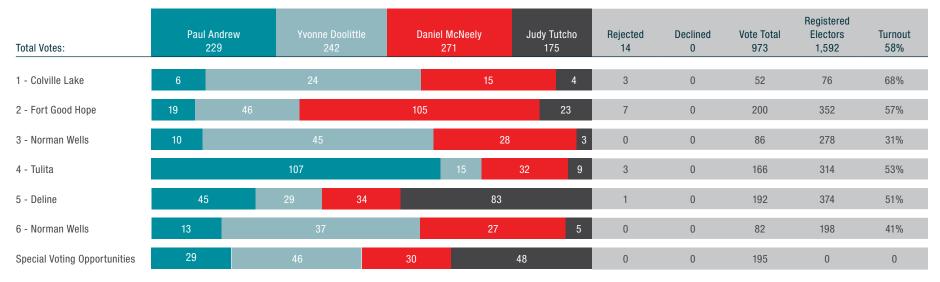
# Sahtu

Returning Officer: Diana Hodgson

Candidates: Paul Andrew

Yvonne Doolittle Daniel McNeely Judy Tutcho





Candidate duly elected: Daniel McNeely

Margin\*: 29 (3%)

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# **Thebacha**

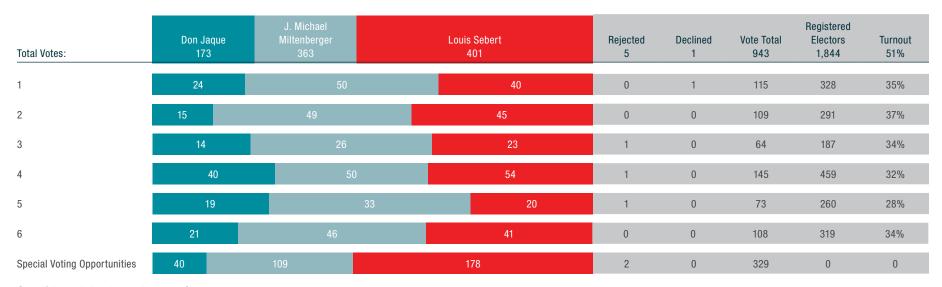
**Returning Officer:** Margo Harney

Candidates: Don Jaque

J. Michael Miltenberger

Louis Sebert





Candidate duly elected: Louis Sebert

Margin\*: 38 (4%)

<sup>\*</sup>the margin by which the Candidate receiving the most votes exceeded the second-place Candidate, as a total and as a percentage.

# Tu Nedhé-Wiilideh

**Returning Officer:** Lorraine Villeneuve

**Candidates:** Richard Edjericon Tom Beaulieu





Candidate duly elected: Tom Beaulieu

Margin\*: 233 (40%)

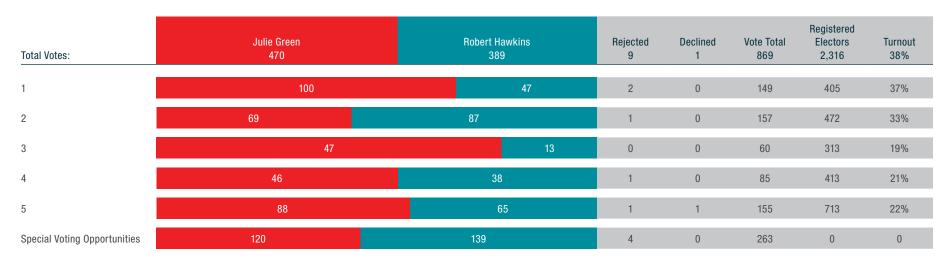
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# Yellowknife Centre

**Returning Officer:** John Dalton

Candidates: Julie Green Robert Hawkins





Candidate duly elected: Julie Green

Margin\*: 81 (9%)

<sup>\*</sup>the margin by which the Candidate receiving the most votes exceeded the second-place Candidate, as a total and as a percentage.

## Yellowknife North

Returning Officer: Pam Dunbar

Candidates: Edwin Castillo

Sean Erasmus Ben Nind Cory Vanthuyne Dan Wong



Candidate duly elected: Cory Vanthuyne

Margin\*: 16 (1%)

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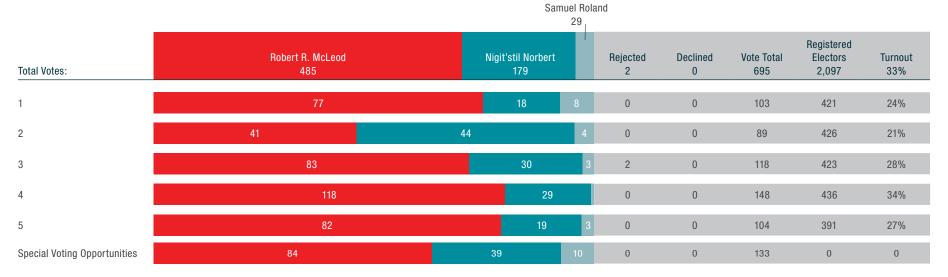
# Yellowknife South

Returning Officer: Patrizia Thagard

Candidates: Robert R. McLeod

Nigit'stil Norbert Samuel Roland





Candidate duly elected: Robert R. McLeod

Margin\*: 306 (44%)

<sup>\*</sup>the margin by which the Candidate receiving the most votes exceeded the second-place Candidate, as a total and as a percentage.

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