Dino: Ancient Ancestor



SPIRIT BEAR, Bearrister

Mem-bear of Carrier Sekani Tribal Council

EDUCATION

- 2018 Honourary PAW hD in Social Work from University of Victoria, BC
- 2018 Bear So Wise (BSW) from McMaster University, Hamilton, ON
- 2017 Honourary Bearrister degree from Osgoode Hall Law School in Toronto, ON

HONOURS AND MEM-BEARSHIPS

- 2018 Mem-bear of the Common Law and Civil Law Honour Societies at the University of Ottawa in Ottawa, ON
- 2017 Honourary Mem-bear of the Indigenous Bar Association
- 2017 Mem-bear of the Rotaract Club of Ottawa

WORK

2017 to present Sup-bearvisor of the Reconciliation Ambearristers Program

2007 to present Bearrister for the Canadian Human Rights Tribunal case on inequitable funding for First Nations child welfare

2018 Bear Host of the Teddy Bear Tea Party in Ottawa, ON and Edmonton, AB

- 2018 Bear Host of the Bear Witness Day birthday celebrations at Senate in Ottawa, ON
- 2015 Bear Gardener at the first Honouring Memories, Planting Dreams at Rideau Hall in Ottawa, ON

BEARING WITNESS

- 2018 Honourary Bear Witness at the National Inquiry into Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women and Girls in Toronto, ON
- 2017 Invited to the ceremony announcing Sébastien Grammond as a Judge of the Federal Court in Ottawa, ON
- 2017 Invited to the Ontario Bar Association Annual Awards Gala when The Honourable Murray Sinclair, my amazing lawyers Anne Levesque, Sarah Clarke, David Taylor and Sébastien Grammond won the Ontario Bar Association President's Award!
- 2017 Honourary Bear Witness at the Matson and Andrews case at the Supreme Court of Canada in Ottawa, ON



Me and my bearrister certificate

Me with the Truth and Reconciliation Commissioners Marie Wilson and Chief Wilton Littlechild

- 2015 Honourary Bear Witness at the Truth and Reconciliation Commission Closing Ceremonies and Report Release in Ottawa, ON.
- 2013-2014 Honourary Bear Witness at the Canadian Human Rights Tribunal on First Nations Child Welfare in Ottawa, ON
- 2013 Honourary Bear Witness at the Phoenix Sinclair Inquiry in Winnipeg, MB
- 2013 Honourary Bear Witness at the Federal Court of Appeal in Ottawa, ON
- 2012 Honourary Bear Witness at the Federal Court in Ottawa, ON
- 2012 Honourary Bear Witness at Moore v. British Columbia at the Supreme Court of Canada in Ottawa, ON

BOOKS AND MOVIES

- 2017 to present Bear-creator (and model!) of annual Spirit Bear's Guide to Reconciliation Calendar
- 2018 Bear-author of Spirit Bear: Fishing for Knowledge, Catching Dreams
- 2018 Bear-creator of Spirit Bear and Children Make History Learning Guide
- 2017 Bear-author of Spirit Bear and Children Make History
- 2017 Bear-creator of the Spirit Bear Plan
- 2016 Bear actor in We Can't Make the Same Mistake Twice directed by Alanis Obomsawin



Spirit Bear: Fishing for

Based on a True Story

2019 Calendar : Knowledge, Catching Dreams

pirit Bear's Guide To Reconciliation

me, helping plant a Heart Garden



Me, at home, baking cookies

MEDIA

- 2018 APTN: Cindy Blackstock's Spirit Bear book written to explain human rights to youngsters.
- 2017 CTV Power Play: Day of action for Indigenous children
- 2017 CTV: Meet "Spirit Bear": A symbol of Indigenous reconciliation

HOBBIES

I love to bake cookies, and go huckleberry picking and fishing!

