

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT FOR THE STATE OF ALASKA

THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

In the Matter of the:)
)
USE OF CAMERAS AND)
ELECTRONIC DEVICES IN ALL)
COURTHOUSES IN THE THIRD) CORRECTED
JUDICIAL DISTRICT.) 3AN-AO-20-12
_____)

ORDER

1. Use of Cameras and Electronic Devices in Third Judicial District Court Buildings:

- a. The use of cameras and electronic devices is governed by Administrative Bulletin No. 45 and Administrative Rule 50.
- b. Media coverage, without application for prior approval, may only take place in the main lobby of a courthouse. (Administrative Rule 50(d)). All other restrictions provide in Administrative Rule 50 and Administrative Bulletin No. 45 apply.
- c. However, the use of cameras and electronic recording devices is prohibited in security screening areas of a courthouse facility. Nor may any person record the equipment, personnel, or activities in a security screening area.
- d. Media coverage of court proceedings in all other locations in Third District Courthouses requires an application to the Presiding Judge, Area Court Administrator or the judge presiding over the proceeding to be covered (Administrative Rule 50(b)).

Note: Prior approval for media coverage of the area occupied by the Appellate Courts on the fourth and fifth floor of the Boney Courthouse in Anchorage must be obtained from the Clerk of Appellate Courts.

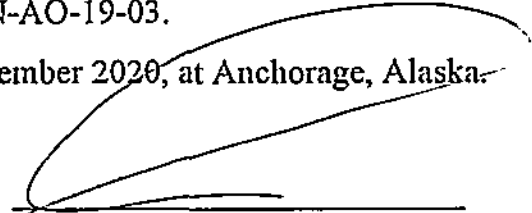
- e. During the COVID-19 Pandemic. From Friday at noon through Sunday, the media may call into court proceedings at Anchorage Jail Court without requesting prior approval. The reporter shall identify their presence and if he or she wants to use an

electronic device to record, the reporter shall request permission from the judicial officer overseeing the hearing.

2. Media Coverage Outside Court Buildings. There are no restrictions on media coverage outside and adjacent to courthouses; however, placement of equipment can't obstruct public egress or entrance to a courthouse facility.

This order supersedes 3AN-AO-19-03.

DONE this 4th day of November 2020, at Anchorage, Alaska.



William F. Morse
Presiding Judge
Third Judicial District

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