

IN THE SUPREME COURT FOR THE STATE OF ALASKA

ORDER NO. 1025

Amending Civil Rule 4(e)(2) and  
(h) concerning registered and  
certified mail.

IT IS ORDERED:

1. Civil Rule 4(e)(2) is amended to provide:

(2) Service by Publication. A notice shall be published four times during four consecutive calendar weeks, once in each week, in a newspaper published in the district in which the action is pending, or if none be published therein, then in a newspaper published in this state circulating in such district. Prior to the last publication a copy of the notice and the complaint or the pleading shall be sent by registered or certified mail, with return receipt requested [POSTAGE PREPAID], to the absent party, addressed in care of such party's residence or the place where such party usually receives mail, unless it shall appear by affidavit that such residence or place is unknown or cannot be ascertained after inquiry.

2. Civil Rule 4(h) is amended to provide:

(h) Service of Process by Mail. In addition to other methods of service provided for by this rule, process may also be served within this state or the United States or any of its possessions by registered or certified mail, return receipt requested, upon an individual other than an infant or an incompetent person and upon a corporation, partnership, and unincorporated association. In such case, copies of the summons and complaint or other process shall be mailed by the clerk for restricted delivery only to the party to whom the summons or other process is directed or to the person authorized under federal regulation to receive his restricted delivery mail. All receipts shall be so addressed that they are returned to the party

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requesting the summons or process or his attorney. Proof of service shall be made by affidavit forthwith. Service of process by mail under this paragraph is complete when the return receipt is signed.

DATED: November 30, 1989

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Chief Justice Matthews

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Justice Rabinowitz

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Justice Burke

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Justice Compton

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Justice Moore