IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

ORDER NO. 1280

Amending Administrative Rule 6(a) concerning fees for interpreters and translators

IT IS ORDERED:

Paragraph (a) of Administrative Rule 6 is amended to read as follows:

(a) Amount. The fee for an interpreter or translator for attendance in any court or at a coroner's inquest shall be set by that court. The fee shall be subject to the following limitations:

 (1) For time spent in actual performance of interpreter or translator services during the proceedings, the fee shall not exceed \$55.00 per hour; and

(2) For standby time during which the interpreter or translator is required by the court to be in attendance at the court facility, the fee shall not exceed \$25.00 per hour.

The court shall not authorize the maximum hourly rate unless the interpreter or translator has had formal training in court interpreting or has demonstrated specialized language skills beyond mere bilingual ability. The court may authorize additional payment not to exceed \$15.00 per hour for emergency services requested and performed outside of business hours. Business hours are 8:00 a.m. Supreme Court Order No. 1280 Effective Date: January 15, 1998 Page 2

> to 4:30 p.m. on all days except judicial holidays and Saturdays.

July 24, 1997 DATED:

EFFECTIVE DATE: _____ January 15, 1998

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