IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF ALASKA ORDER NO. 1573

Amending Administrative Rule 45 to reflect jurisdictional limits (implementing Chapter 65 SLA 04 (HB 227)).

IT IS ORDERED:

Administrative Rule 45 is amended to read as follows:

Rule 45. Concurrent Jurisdiction.

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- (c) **Transfer by District Court**. When it appears from the pleadings that the amount claimed for recovery exceeds \$50,000\section 100,000 exclusive of costs, post-filing interest, and attorney's fees, then the district court judge shall upon motion or the court's own motion refer the case to the superior court.
- (d) Transfer or Retention by Superior Court. When it appears from the pleadings, filed documents, or any pretrial evidence taken in the case that the amount claimed for recovery does not exceed \$50,000\seconds100,000 exclusive of costs, post-filing interest, and attorney's fees, then upon motion or the court's own motion the superior court judge shall order transfer of the case to the district court or retain the case and sit as a district court judge pro tem. A specific assignment of the judge to the district court is not required under these circumstances.

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DATED: November 29, 2005

EFFECTIVE DATE: Nunc pro tunc to September 14, 2004

/S/
Chief Justice Bryner
<u>/s/</u>
Justice Matthews
<u>/s/</u>
Justice Eastaugh
<u>/s/</u>
Justice Fabe
/s/
Justice Carpeneti