IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF ALASKA ORDER NO. 1759

Revising Appellate Rule 106 concerning precedential effect of certain decisions.

IT IS ORDERED:

Appellate Rule 106 is amended to read as follows:

Rule 106. Precedential Effect of Certain Supreme Court Decisions.

(a) *Equally Divided Court.* In an appeal to the supreme court, any issue or point on appeal on which the justices are equally divided is affirmed in that appeal, but the issue or point decided by an equally divided court shall not have precedential <u>effectvalue</u>.

(b) *Two-to-One Vote in Supreme Court.* In an appeal that is decided <u>with only by</u> three <u>of five supreme court</u> justices <u>participating, in the supreme court</u>, any issue or point on appeal that the court decides by a two-to-one vote is decided only for purposes of that appeal, and shall not have precedential <u>effectvalue</u>.

DATED: July 21, 2011

EFFECTIVE DATE: July 21, 2011

<u>/s/</u> Chief Justice Carpeneti

<u>/s/</u> Justice Fabe

<u>/s/</u> Justice Winfree

/s/ Justice Christen

<u>/s/</u> Justice Stowers