IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF ALASKA ORDER NO. 1783

Amending District Court Civil Rule 20(c) concerning awards of attorney's fees in small claims actions

IT IS ORDERED:

District Court Civil Rule 20(c) is amended to read as follows:

Rule 20. Remedies

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(c) Cost shall be allowed as <u>a matter</u> of course to a prevailing party. Allowable costs include A party entitled to costs may be allowed the filing fee and other charges made by the court, the expense of service of process, <u>and</u> witness fees, <u>and reasonable atterney's fees</u>. An award of attorney's fees may also be made, but shall not exceed \$1,000. In cases where a default judgment is entered against a defendant, the clerk may enter the award of costs, as well as attorney's fees of 10% of the judgment or reasonable actual fees, whichever is less.

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DATED: July 12, 2012

EFFECTIVE DATE: October 15, 2012

/s/
Chief Justice Fabe
/s/
Justice Carpeneti
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Justice Winfree
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<u>/s/</u>
Justice Stowers