IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF ALASKA ORDER NO. 1906

Revising Probate Rule 2(b) to address the effectiveness of master's orders for evaluation pending superior court review and revising Probate Rule 2(d) to add reference to orders for screening investigations.

IT IS ORDERED:

Probate Rule 2(b) paragraph 3 is amended to read as follows:

Rule 2. Appointment and Authority of Masters.

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(b) Authority, Order of Reference.

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3. A master's report is not binding until approved by a superior court judge pursuant to Civil Rule 53(d) and paragraph (f) of this rule, except:

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- C. a master's orders <u>authorizing hospitalization for evaluation and</u> <u>for of commitment to a treatment facility are is effective pending superior court review;</u>
- D. a master's determination of a patient's capacity to give informed consent to medication under AS 47.30.839 is effective pending superior court review; and
- E. a master's authorization of emergency life-saving procedures pursuant to AS 13.26.140(f) is effective pending superior court review.

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(d) Standing Master's Authority to Enter Orders.

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3. order home studies, visitor's reports, <u>screening investigations</u>, and psychological, psychiatric, and medical evaluations.

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DATED: February 22, 2017

EFFECTIVE DATE: February 22, 2017

/s/
Chief Justice Stowers
<u>/s/</u>
Justice Winfree
<u>/s/</u>
Justice Maassen
<u>/s/</u>
Justice Bolger
/s/
Justice Carnev