# IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF ALASKA ORDER NO. 1910

Amending Probate Rule 2(b)2.B. to allow proceedings for protection from financial abuse to be referred to masters.

#### **IT IS ORDERED:**

Probate Rule 2(b)2.B. is amended to read as follows:

### Rule 2. Appointment and Authority of Masters.

(a) **Appointment.** The presiding judge may appoint a standing master to conduct any or all of the probate proceedings listed in subparagraph (b)(2). Appointment of standing masters must be reviewed annually. A standing master in probate shall serve as a registrar. The presiding judge may appoint a special master to conduct a proceeding which is specified in the order of reference and is listed in subparagraph (b)(2).

## (b) Authority, Order of Reference.

- \* \* \* \*
- 2. The following proceedings may be referred to a master:
- A. all decedent estate hearings;:

B. guardianship, and conservatorship, and protection from financial abuse hearings under Title 13;

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DATED: June 21, 2017

### EFFECTIVE DATE: October 16, 2017

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

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

<u>/s/</u> Justice Maassen

<u>/s/</u> Justice Bolger

<u>/s/</u> Justice Carney