## IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

ORDER NO. 413

Amending Subparagraphs (a) and (d) of Rule 16, Alaska Rules of Civil Procedure, Relating to Settlement Conferences.

IT IS ORDERED:

Subparagraph (a) of Rule 16, Alaska Rules of
Civil Procedure, is amended to read:

(a) <u>In General</u>. In any action a pre-trial conference on a day certain may be ordered pursuant to the motion of any party, or by the court upon its own motion, to consider the following:

(1) The simplification of the issues;

(2) The necessity or desirability of amendments to the pleadings;

(3) The possibility of obtaining admissions of fact and of documents which will avoid unnecessary proof;

(4) The limitation of the number of expert witnesses;

(5) The advisability of a preliminary reference of issues to a master for findings to be used as evidence when the trial is to be by jury;

(6) Settlement of the case;

(7) Such other matters as may aid in the disposition of the action.

2. Subsection (2) of paragraph (d) of Rule 16, Alaska Rules of Civil Procedure, is amended to read:

(2) The matter of a settlement may be discussed at the pre-trial conference, but the discussion shall not be made a part of the court record and shall not be mentioned in the order entered on the pre-trial conference. The judge assigned to the case may request the presiding judge to assign another judge for the purpose of conducting a settlement conference.

DATED: May 22, 1980

EFFECTIVE DATE: August 1, 1980

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