

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

ORDER NO. 438

Four Part Order Amending
Paragraphs (a), (b), (c)
and (d) of Rule 16, Alaska
Bar Rules, Relating to the
Appointment and Terms of
Members of Conciliation
Panels.

IT IS ORDERED:

1. Paragraph (a) of Rule 16, Alaska Bar Rules, is amended to read:

(a) Conciliation Panels shall be established for the purpose of settling disputes between attorneys and their clients. At least one Conciliation Panel shall be established in each area as defined in Rule 10 of the Alaska Bar Rules.

2. Paragraph (b) of Rule 16, Alaska Bar Rules, is amended to read:

(b) Each Conciliation Panel shall consist of three active members of the Alaska Bar Association, each of whom maintains an office for the practice of law in the area for which he or she is appointed. The members of each Conciliation Panel shall be appointed by the President subject to ratification by the Board. Initially, each Conciliation Panel shall be comprised of one member appointed for a one year term, one member appointed for a two year term, and one member appointed for a three year term. Thereafter, each member shall be appointed for a three year term. The terms of the members first appointed shall be deemed to have commenced on July 1, 1979.

3. Paragraph (c) of Rule 16, Alaska Bar Rules, is amended to read:

(c) A member of a Conciliation Panel shall be known as a Conciliator. Conciliators shall have the power and duty to attempt to resolve disputes referred to them by the Administrator pursuant to Rule 14(g)(3). Only one Conciliator need act on any single matter referred for Conciliation. Any attorney involved in a dispute referred to a Conciliator has the obligation to confer expeditiously with the Conciliator and with all other parties to the dispute and to cooperate in good faith with the Conciliator in an effort to resolve the dispute.

4. Paragraph (d) of Rule 16, Alaska Bar Rules, is amended to read:

(d) Proceedings before a Conciliator shall be informal. A Conciliator shall not have subpoena power or the power to swear witnesses. A Conciliator does not have the authority to impose a resolution upon any party to the dispute.

DATED: October 21, 1980

EFFECTIVE DATE: November 1, 1980

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