IN THE SUPREME COURT FOR THE STATE OF ALASKA

ORDER NO. 792

Adding a new Administrative Rule 48 concerning telephonic hearing costs

IT IS ORDERED:

A new Administrative Rule 48 is added to provide:

Administrative Rule 48: Telephonic Hearing Costs.

The party convenienced by holding a hearing telephonically shall pay the telephone cost of the hearing. The court shall pay the telephone cost if the judge is able to avoid traveling to the hearing. The defendant shall pay the cost if the civil defendant, criminal defendant who is not in custody, defense attorney or defense witness is able to avoid traveling to the hearing. The plaintiff or prosecution shall pay the cost if the plaintiff, prosecutor, witness for the plaintiff prosecution, or criminal defendant who is in custody is able to avoid traveling to the hearing. When a hearing is set telephonically at the request of or for the convenience of more than one party, the court may order one of those parties to pay the cost and order the other convenienced parties to compensate that party for a portion of the cost.

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January 8, 1987

EFFECTIVE DATE March 15, 1987

Chief Justice Rabinowitz

Justice Burke

Justice Matthews

Justice Compton

Justice Moore