

1 **IN THE TRIAL COURTS FOR THE STATE OF ALASKA**
2 **FIRST JUDICIAL DISTRICT**

3 **IN THE MATTER OF**)
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4 **Sitka Trials and In-Person Grand Jury**)
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5 **First Judicial District.**)
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7 **PRESIDING JUDGE ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER 21-13**
8 **RE: SITKA**

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10 The presiding judge of each district is authorized to limit or suspend
11 proceedings for any location if the average daily case rate over 14 days as reported
12 by the Alaska Department of Health and Social Services rises above 20-30 cases per
13 100,000 population or if the local risk rate is otherwise seriously elevated.¹
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15 The current situation in Sitka warrants a suspension of in-person trials and
16 grand jury proceedings.

17 As of July 19, 2021, Sitka's average case rate per 100,000 over 14 days was
18 109.8 and over 7 days was 172.6 as reported by the Department of Health and
19 Social Services.
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21 **IT IS ORDERED:**

22 1. In-person trials and grand jury proceedings for Sitka are suspended
23 until July 28, 2021. Whether it is necessary to continue the suspension beyond July
24 28, 2021, will be reviewed on or before noon on Monday, July 26, 2021.
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¹ See Special Order of the Chief Justice No. 8259 dated April 6, 2021.

