

IN THE TRIAL COURTS FOR THE STATE OF ALASKA

FIRST JUDICIAL DISTRICT

In the Matter of:

The Suspension of Jury Trials and In-Person Grand Jury Proceedings in the City and Borough of Juneau,

First Judicial District.

PRESIDING JUDGE ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER 21-16

As authorized by the Alaska Supreme Court¹ and Chief Justice², the presiding judge of each district may limit or suspend jury trials and in-person grand jury proceedings for any location if the average daily case rate over 14 days as reported by the Alaska Department of Health and Social Services rises above 20-30 cases per 100,000 population or if the local risk level is otherwise seriously elevated. As of July 30, 2021, Juneau's average daily case rate over 14 days was 35.1 and the community's risk level designation was "modified Level 3 High."

IT IS ORDERED:

1. Criminal jury trials and grand jury proceedings are suspended beginning August 2, 2021 through August 31, 2021. This suspension will be reviewed on or about August 27, 2021.
2. As authorized by Special Order of the Chief Justice No. 8259, the time limit for preliminary examination under Alaska Criminal Rule 5(e) is extended through

¹ Supreme Court Order No. 1974.

² Special Order of the Chief Justice No. 8259.

September 17, 2021.

DATED at Juneau, Alaska on August 2, 2021.



Amy Mead
Presiding Judge
First Judicial District



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