

IN THE TRIAL COURTS FOR THE STATE OF ALASKA  
SECOND JUDICIAL DISTRICT

In the Matter of: )  
 ) Presiding Judge  
 ) Administrative Order No. 21-08  
 **The Suspension of Grand Jury** )  
 **in Kotzebue** )  
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**ORDER SUSPENDING GRAND JURY**

Kotzebue has experienced a dramatic increase in the number of COVID-19 cases in the past week. There are currently 24 Active COVID-19 cases in Kotzebue and 49 in the Maniilaq Service Area. There were 14 active COVID-19 cases the week prior. Given the serious elevation of the local risk level and pursuant to the authority granted to the presiding judge by Alaska Supreme Court Order No. 8234, grand jury is suspended from August 5, 2021 until August 26, 2021.<sup>1</sup> Rule 5 is tolled during this time.<sup>2</sup>

**IT IS SO ORDERED**

Nunc Pro Tunc 8/5/21

Dated at Kotzebue, Alaska, this 10<sup>th</sup> of August, 2021.



PAUL A. ROETMAN  
Presiding Judge

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<sup>1</sup> Alaska Supreme Court Order No. 8234 states, "The presiding judge may limit or suspend in-person grand jury proceedings for any district or location when required for public health or to comply with local health mandates."

<sup>2</sup> Pursuant to Supreme Court Order No. 1957.