

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

In the Matter of:)	Presiding Judge
)	Administrative Order No. 21-11
The Suspension of Jury Trials in)	(updated 10/19/21)
<u>The Second Judicial District</u>)	

ORDER SUSPENDING JURY TRIAL PROCEEDINGS
IN THE SECOND JUDICIAL DISTRICT

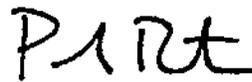
On September 20, 2021, the Chief Justice of the Alaska Supreme Court issued Order No. 8333¹. This order requires presumptive two-week suspension of jury trials in any court location when the number of reported cases by DHSS per 100,000 over the past 7 days reaches 100 or more.

As of October 19, 2021, DHSS 7-day case rate per 100,000 and local active cases in the Second Judicial District are as follows:

Region	7-Day Case Rate per 100,000-region	City	Active Cases / 7-day case rate per 100,000 City
Nome Census Area	992	Nome ²	53/1376
North Slope Borough	624	Utqiagvik ³	49/1117
Northwest Borough	1846	Kotzebue ⁴	44/1338

Given the 7-day case rate and pursuant to the authority granted to the presiding judge in Special Order of Chief Justice 8333, jury trial proceedings are suspended for the entire Second Judicial District from October 23, 2021- November 5, 2021. This suspension will be reviewed the week of November 1st to determine if an extension of this order is necessary. Rule 45 is tolled during this time.⁵

Dated at Kotzebue, Alaska this 19th day of October, 2021.


PAUL A. ROETMAN
Presiding Judge

¹ Special Order of the Chief Justice 8333 <http://courts.alaska.gov/covid19/docs/socj-2021-8333.pdf>

² Norton Sound Health Corporation Data Dashboard updated 10/18/21 <https://www.nortonsoundhealth.org/data-dashboard-10-18/>

³ Arctic Slope Native Association Press Release 10/15/21 <https://arcticslope.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/10/ASNA-Press-Release-October-5-2021.pdf>

⁴ COVID-19 Case Update for Maniilaq Service Area 10/18/21 email from Kelli Shroyer

⁵ Pursuant to Supreme Court Order No. 1974 <http://courts.alaska.gov/sco/docs/sco1974.pdf>

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