

IN THE TRIAL COURT FOR THE STATE OF ALASKA  
FOURTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT AT FAIRBANKS

IN THE MATTER OF:

Resumption of Fairbanks Jury Trials

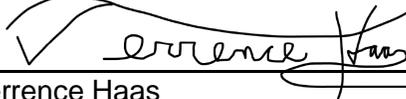
**NOTICE OF RESUMPTION OF FAIRBANKS REGION JURY TRIALS**

Fourth District Presiding Judge's Order 21-07 ("PJ Order") suspended jury trials in the Fairbanks region through May 14, 2021 based on the high and rising 14-Day COVID-19 case rate per 100,000 Fairbanks residents at the time it was issued. As of the date of this notice the 14-Day case rate per 100,000 Fairbanks residents has dropped to 22.42 down from a high of 50.14 on May 3. Moreover, the case rate in Fairbanks has continued to drop significantly each day after May 3.

So long as the case rates remain near or below the current levels, PJ Order 21-07 will be allowed to lapse and **misdemeanor jury trials will resume on May 17, 2021**. PJ Order 21-04 establishing minimum procedures for in-person proceedings remains in effect as do Special Orders of the Chief Justice Nos. 8194 (guidance on procedures for in-person hearings) and 8259 (opening misdemeanor trials on April 19 and Class B and C felony trials on June 1). Grand Jury remains suspended per PJ Order 21-08 through May 31, 2021.

Should conditions related to the COVID-19 pandemic worsen in the future to the point that it is no longer consistent with public health to conduct in-person jury trials the Presiding Judge may issue appropriate orders at that time.

Dated this 14<sup>th</sup> Day of May, 2021 at Bethel, Alaska.

  
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Terrence Haas  
Presiding Judge

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