IN THE SUPERIOR COURT FOR THE STATE OF ALASKA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

In the Matter of:) }
On-line Parent Education in Domestic Relations Cases With Children.)))) Administrative Order 3AO-10- <u>೧↓</u>)

In 2002, Administrative Order 3AN-AO-02-04 was issued, which required all litigants in the Third Judicial District in domestic relations cases involving minor children to view the video "Listen to the Children," unless a party received a waiver.

More recently, another parent education alternative has been approved by the Presiding Judges in the State. The alternative is an on-line parent education tool entitled "Children in the Middle," and is particularly well-suited to individuals who may have difficulty traveling to a court location to view the video.

Effective immediately, parties in cases in which parent education is required may satisfy the parent education requirement by completing either (1) *Listen to the Children* video; or (2) *Children in the Middle* web based on-demand class. This parent education requirement must be satisfied prior to the entry of the final decree in the case.

This order supersedes 3AN-A0-02-04.

January 26, 2010

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Announcing an On-Line Parent Education Option

Attention parents with the following cases:

- Dissolution with Children
- Divorce with Children
- Custody

Effective immediately you may satisfy your parent education requirement by completing one (1) of the following:

- Listen to the Children: this video is available for viewing at your local court. Check your local court for show times.
- *Children In The Middle*: an internet-based class you can view from your home or work computer at www.divorce-education.com/online/

<u>NOTE</u>: The cost for the *Children In The Middle* on-line class is \$39.95, or free for those who have received an exemption from payment of fees for their court case. With the on-line option in place, the court will no longer grant requests to waive the parent education requirement simply because a parent cannot come to the courthouse to view the *Listen to the Children* video. If you qualify for an exemption from payment of fees, please email parentedfeewaiver@courts.state.ak.us to receive your free password for *Children in the Middle*.