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Palmer Courthouse Status Update

Palmer, AK, January 27, 2022 – The Palmer courthouse remains closed to the public until Monday, February 14, 2022, when the customer service office will open. The extreme cold and wind event earlier this month resulted in water damage after several pipes burst. The water has been removed and the facility is dry but the water damaged carpet, sheetrock, and furniture. Contractors are working to make repairs so the courthouse can reopen to the public. No files (physical or electronic) were damaged or lost due to the water damage.

Only the customer service office will be open to the public and all other areas of the courthouse will remain closed. Hearings are happening with participants appearing remotely, by video or telephone.

The Palmer court is currently handling emergency hearings, including domestic violence protective orders, mental commitments, arraignments, and search warrant requests. Non-emergency matters are being rescheduled. Staff are working to notify affected parties and attorneys. The court is working to provide services out of the Palmer courthouse as soon as possible.

During the court closure, email filings can be up to 50 pages, exceeding the normal 30-page limit provided on the court's website at <https://courts.alaska.gov/courtdir/efiling.htm>.

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