

IN THE SUPREME COURT FOR THE STATE OF ALASKA

ORDER NO. 1045

Amending Alaska Bar Rules 40(r)
relating to the confidentiality
of arbitration records.

IT IS ORDERED:

1. Bar Rule 40(r) is amended to provide:

(r) Confidentiality. All records, documents, files, proceedings and hearings pertaining to the arbitration of any dispute under these rules will be confidential and will be closed to the public, unless ordered open by a superior court upon good cause shown, except that a summary of the facts, without reference to either party by name, may be publicized in all cases once the proceeding has been formally closed. Bar Counsel may utilize arbitration records and decisions for statistical and enforcement purposes and for disciplinary purposes following acceptance of a grievance under Rule 22(a) or referral by the arbitrator or arbitration panel under Rule 40(q)(4).

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EFFECTIVE DATE: January 15, 1991

Chief Justice Matthews

Justice Rabinowitz

Justice Burke

Justice Compton

Justice Moore