

IN THE SUPREME COURT FOR THE STATE OF ALASKA

ORDER NO. 1117

Amending Probate Rule 12  
concerning closing estates.

IT IS ORDERED:

1. Probate Rule 12 is amended to provide:

(a) **Duty to Close Estates.** When a personal representative has completed administration of the estate, the personal representative either shall petition to close the estate by formal closing under AS 13.16.620 or AS 13.16.625 or file a sworn statement under [AS 13.16.625] AS 13.16.630 or AS 13.16.695. Notice must be given as provided by these statutes.

(b) . . .

[(c) **DISCHARGE.** ON RECEIPT OF EVIDENCE THAT THE ESTATE HAS BEEN FULLY ADMINISTERED AND PROPERLY DISTRIBUTED, THE COURT SHALL ENTER AN ORDER DISCHARGING THE PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE. DISCHARGE OF THE PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE IS NOT REQUIRED TO CLOSE THE ESTATE.]

(c) [(d)] Administrative Closing. If no action is taken in an estate for more than one year, the clerk may send a notice that the file will be closed in 30 days if no objection is received. The notice [ORDER] must be served on the personal representative's attorney of record and mailed to the last known address of the personal representative [TO THE ESTATE]. Administrative closure does not discharge the

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personal representative or terminate the  
personal representative's powers and duties.

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Chief Justice Moore

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Justice Rabinowitz

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Justice Burke

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Justice Matthews

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Justice Compton