

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

ORDER NO. 1247

Amending Evidence Rule 703
concerning the basis of opinion
testimony by experts.

IT IS ORDERED:

The following note is added at the end of Evidence Rule 703:

Note: Sec. 3 of ch. 7 SLA 1995 states:
"AS 09.25.051, added by sec. 1 of this Act,
and AS 12.45.035, added by sec. 2 of this Act,
have the effect of amending Rule 703, Alaska
Rules of Evidence, to the extent that Rule 703
would limit the admissibility of DNA profile
evidence as a result of the application of the
standard previously adopted by the Alaska
Supreme Court in Pulakis v. State, 476 P.2d
474 (Alaska 1970), that requires a finding of
general acceptance of scientific evidence in
the relevant scientific community as a
precondition of admission of scientific
evidence."

DATED: May 2, 1996

EFFECTIVE DATE: July 15, 1996

/s/
Chief Justice Compton

/s/
Justice Rabinowitz

/s/
Justice Matthews

/s/
Justice Eastaugh

/s/
Justice Fabe