IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

ORDER NO. <u>1373</u>

Amending Alaska Bar Rule 40(t) and (u) concerning judicial review of fee arbitration awards.

IT IS ORDERED:

- 1.
 - Paragraph (t) of Alaska Bar Rule 40 is amended to read as follows:

(t) **Confirmation of an Award.** Upon application of a party, and in accordance with the provisions of AS 09.43.110 and AS 09.43.140, the court will confirm an award, reducing it to a judgment, unless within ninety days either party seeks through the court to vacate, modify or correct the award in accordance with the provisions of AS 09.43.120 through 140.

2. Paragraph (u) of Alaska Bar Rule 40 is amended to read as follows:

(u) **Appeal.** Should a party appeal the decision of the court concerning an arbitration award under the provisions of AS 09.43.160, the party must scrve a copy of the notice of appeal upon bar counsel. If a matter on appeal is remanded to the arbitrator or panel, a decision on remand will be issued within thirty (30) days after remand or further hearing.

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DATED: September 2, 1999

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