IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF ALASKA ORDER NO. 1459

Amending Alaska Bar Rules 31(g)(3) and 54 concerning trustee counsel compensation.

IT IS ORDERED:

I. Paragraph (g)(3) of Alaska Bar Rule 31 is amended to read as follows:

(3) In the event that the estate of the unavailable attorney is insufficient to compensate trustee counsel, an attorney appointed to serve as trustee counsel may submit a claim to the Board of Governors of the Alaska Bar Association. Reasonable compensation <u>paid from the Lawyers' Fund for Client Protection</u> shall be determined by the Board and will not exceed \$10,000.

II. Alaska Bar Rule 54 is amended to read as follows:

Rule 54. Payments at Discretion of State Bar.

All payments from the Fund, including the payment of trustee counsel compensation by the Board under Rule <u>31(g)(3)</u>, shall be a matter of grace and not of right and shall be in the sole discretion of the Alaska Bar Association. No client or member of the public shall have any right in the Fund as a third party beneficiary or otherwise. Supreme Court No. 1459 Effective Date: April 15, 2002

DATED: November 29, 2001 EFFECTIVE DATE: April 15, 2002

> <u>/s/</u> /s/ Chief Justice Fabe

<u>/s/</u> Justice Matthews

/s/ Justice Eastaugh

/s/ Justice Bryner

/s/ Justice Carpeneti

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