IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF ALASKA ORDER NO. 1517

Approving Anchorage Administrative Order 3AO-03-04 (Amended)— "Uniform Pretrial Order" dated February 28, 2003

IT IS ORDERED:

I. Pursuant to Administrative Rule 46(e)(2), the "Uniform Pretrial Order" governing civil pretrial practice in Anchorage, which was entered by 3rd Judicial District Presiding Judge Dan A. Hensley on February 28, 2003, as Administrative Order 3AO-03-04 (Amended), has been reviewed by the court because it was found to be inconsistent with Alaska Rules of Civil Procedure 16(a)-(e) and 26(f).

II. Pursuant to Administrative Rule 46(e)(3), the "Uniform Pretrial Order" is approved without modification for a two-year period commencing May 15, 2003. Pursuant to Administrative Rule 46(e)(4), the local form orders incorporated by reference into the "Uniform Pretrial Order"—the "Initial Pretrial Order," "Routine Pretrial Order," and "Order Scheduling Pretrial Conference for Non-Routine Case"-- are also approved for the same time period.

III. Before the end of the two-year period specified in paragraph (II), the 3rd Judicial District shall submit a report to the supreme court that describes the responses to use of the Uniform Pretrial Order and accompanying local orders from both judges and litigants, and evaluates whether the pretrial procedures the new orders implement are an improvement over the pretrial procedures established under existing court rules. The report shall include any specific recommendations for rule changes, which shall then be referred to the Civil Rules Committee for further consideration.

IV. If the report described in paragraph (III) is timely filed, the Uniform Pretrial Order shall remain in effect pending consideration of any proposed rule changes by the Civil Rules Committee or further review and action by the supreme court.

DATED: May 15, 2003 EFFECTIVE DATE: May 15, 2003

/s/ Chief Justice Fabe

/s/

Justice Matthews

<u>/s/</u> Justice Eastaugh

<u>/s/</u> Justice Bryner

/s/

Justice Carpeneti