IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF ALASKA ORDER NO. 1643

Amending Civil Rule 95(a) concerning notice of imposition of penalties.

IT IS ORDERED:

Civil Rule 95(a) is amended to read as follows:

Civil Rule 95. Penalties.

(a) For any infraction of these rules, the court, after providing reasonable notice and an opportunity to be heard, may withhold or assess costs or attorney's fees as the circumstances of the case and discouragement of like conduct in the future may require; and such costs and attorney's fees may be imposed upon offending attorneys or parties.

(b) **[Applicable to cases filed before August 7, 1997].** In addition to its authority under (a) of this rule and its power to punish for contempt, a court may, after reasonable notice and an opportunity to show cause to the contrary, and after hearing by the court, if requested, impose a fine not to exceed \$1,000.00 against any attorney who practices before it for failure to comply with these rules or any rules promulgated by the supreme court.

(b) **[Applicable to cases filed on or after August 7, 1997].** In addition to its authority under (a) of this rule and its power to punish for contempt, a court may, after reasonable notice and an opportunity to show cause to the contrary, and after hearing by the court, if requested, impose a fine not to exceed \$50,000.00 against any attorney who practices before it for failure to comply with these rules or any rules promulgated by the supreme court.

DATED: April 10, 2007

EFFECTIVE DATE: October 15, 2007

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

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

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

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

<u>/s/</u> Justice Carpeneti