IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF ALASKA ORDER NO. 1646 (Amended)

Amending Criminal Rule 6 concerning grand juries.

IT IS ORDERED:

Criminal Rule 6 is amended to read as follows:

Rule 6. The Grand Jury.

(a) **By Whom Convened.** The presiding superior court judge of the judicial district encompassing the grand jury location specified in section (b) shall convene the grand jury.

(b) Where Grand Juries Shall Be Convened. The grand jury shall be convened at the superior court location shown in the following table, based on the superior court venue district in which the matter under investigation occurred. The superior court venue districts are defined in the Criminal Rule 18 venue map.

Location at which the grand jury will be convened
Anchorage
Barrow
Bethel
Anchorage or Palmer
Juneau, Ketchikan, or
Sitka
Fairbanks
Dillingham or Anchorage
Fairbanks

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Glennallen	Anchorage or Palmer
Homer	Kenai
Juneau	Juneau, Sitka, or
	Ketchikan
Kenai	Kenai
Ketchikan	Ketchikan, Sitka, or
	Juneau
Kodiak	Kodiak
Kotzebue	Kotzebue
Naknek	Anchorage
Nome	Nome
Palmer	Palmer
Petersburg	Juneau, Ketchikan, or
	Sitka
Seward	Kenai
Sitka	Sitka, Juneau, or
	Ketchikan
Tok	Fairbanks
Unalaska	Anchorage
Valdez	Anchorage or Palmer
Wrangell	Juneau, Ketchikan, or
	Sitka

The presiding judge of a judicial district shall be empowered to call a special jury to be convened at a site other than the site designated in this subsection if the presiding judge determines that the designation of a special site is necessary in the interest of justice.

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DATED: June 26, 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