IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF ALASKA ORDER NO. 288

Amending Rule 59(a), Rules Governing the Administration of All Courts, by reducing the time for retaining original small claims records to six months.

IT IS ORDERED:

Paragraph (a) of Rule 59, Rules Governing the Administration of All Courts is amended to read:

- (a) Each presiding superior court judge shall, upon approval by the administrative director, destroy or provide for the destruction of all pleadings, papers, instruments, depositions and transcripts in any action or proceeding in the superior or district court if all of the following conditions exist:
 - (1) The action or proceeding is no longer pending, or on appeal in any court, and no paper has been filed for a period of six months with respect to a small claims action or for a period of two years with respect to any other action;
 - (2) There is maintained for the use of the public a microphotographic film print or copy of each pleading, paper, instrument, deposition or transcript so destroyed, together with a mechanical device by which such film may be conveniently examined;

- (3) At least one original negative of each microphotographic film is stored in such a manner and place as will reasonably assure its preservation indefinitely against loss, theft, defacement, or destruction;
- (4) The records have been reviewed under
- (b) of this rule and have been determined to have no historical or archival value; and
- (5) At the time of the taking of the microphotographic reproduction, the person under
 whose supervision and control the same was
 taken has attached to or incorporated in the
 microphotographic reproduction a certification
 that the copy is a correct copy of the original
 or of a specified part thereof, as the case may
 be, the date or dates on which taken and the
 fact that it was taken under his direction and
 control.

DATED: Soptember 22, 1977 EFFECTIVE DATE: December 1, 1977

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