THE SUPRELEE COURT OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

ORDER NO. 337

> Amending Civil Rule 33(a), By Requiring that Space for Answers be Provided on Written Interrogatories.

IT IS ORDERED:

Paragraph (a) of Rule 33, Rules of Civil Procedure, is amended to read:

(a) Availability; Procedures for Use. Any party may serve upon any other party written interrogatories to be answered by the party served or, if the party is a public or private corporation or a partnership or governmental agency, by any officer or agent, who shall furnish such information as is available to the party. Interrogatories may, without leave of court, be served upon the plaintiff after commencement of the action and upon any other party with or after service of the summons and complaint upon that party. There shall be sufficient space provided so that answers to the interrogatories propounded may be inserted thereon.

Each interrogatory shall be answered separately and fully in writing, under oath, unless it is objected to, in which event the reasons for objection shall be stated in lieu of an answer. The enswers are to be signed by the person making them, and the objections signed by the attorney making them. The party upon whom the interrogatories have been served shall serve a copy of the answers, and objections if any, within 30 days after the service of the interrogatories, except that a defendant may serve answers or objections within 45 days after service of the summons and complaint upon that defendant. The court may allow a shorter or longer time. The party submitting the interrogatories may move for an order under Rule 37(a) with respect to any objection to or other failure to answer an interrogatory.

November 8, 1978 EFFECTIVE DATE: January 1, 1979

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