

SUPREME COURT FOR THE STATE OF ALASKA

ORDER NO. 625

Amending Administrative
Rule 28(a) Relating to
Maternity Leave and Leave
Without Pay for Judges.

IT IS ORDERED:

Administrative Rule 28(a) shall be amended, re-numbered, and re-written as follows:

Rule 28. Judicial Vacations and Judicial Leave

(a) Vacation Leave. Each supreme court justice, court of appeals judge and superior court judge shall be entitled to an annual vacation of not more than 30 working days. It shall be taken at such time or times as may be prescribed by the chief justice of the supreme court, the chief judge of the court of appeals, or the presiding judge of the appropriate judicial district. Vacation time not taken in any calendar year may be accumulated. However, no more than 15 working days' vacation time may be accumulated in any one year, and no judge may carry over more than 30 working days' unused vacation time in the aggregate. Annual vacation time accrues as of January 1st of each year except for the year during which a justice or judge is appointed or retires. During the year of appointment, resignation, or retirement, annual vacation leave accrues at the rate of 2.5 days per month of service. Annual vacation time accrued but not taken at the time of resignation or retirement is forfeited.

(b) Sick Leave. [IN ADDITION, E] Each supreme court justice, court of appeals judge, and superior court judge shall be entitled to sick leave with respect to any period of illness necessitating absence from his or her judicial duties, which sick leave shall not be charged against his or her vacation time. Maternity leave is counted as sick leave but is limited to 9 weeks absent extenuating medical necessity. Paternity leave is available as sick leave only to the extent medical disability of mother or child requires presence of father.

(c) Leave Without Pay. Supreme court justices, court of appeals judges, and judges from the superior and district courts may be granted leave without pay to the same extent and upon the same terms as other court system employees. Up to 5 working days in any calendar year may be granted at the discretion of the chief justice, chief judge, or presiding judge of the appropriate court. Leave without pay in excess of 5 days must be approved by the administrative director upon recommendation of the supervising judge or justice.

The remainder of Rule 28 shall be re-numbered as follows:

The present sections (b), (c), (d), and (e) shall be re-numbered as follows:

(d) District Judges and Magistrates.

(e) Discretion of Chief Justice, Chief Judge or Presiding Judge.

Supreme Court Order No. 625
effective date June 15, 1985

(f) Administrative Leave.

(g) Leave of Absence.

DATED: April 11, 1985

EFFECTIVE DATE: June 15, 1985

CHIEF JUSTICE RABINOWITZ

JUSTICE BURKE

JUSTICE MATTHEWS

JUSTICE COMPTON

JUSTICE MOORE