

IN THE SUPREME COURT FOR THE STATE OF ALASKA

ORDER NO. 650

Amending Criminal Rule
4(a)(3), relating to
failure of defendant to
appear after summons

IT IS ORDERED:

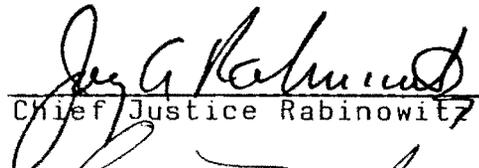
Criminal Rule 4(a)(3) is amended as follows:

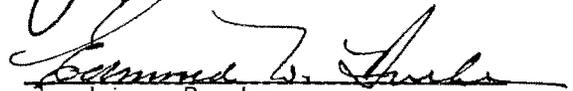
Rule 4. Warrant or Summons Upon Complaint.

(3) Failure of Defendant to Appear After Summons. If a defendant who has been duly summoned fails to appear or if there is reasonable cause to believe that he will fail to appear, a warrant of arrest shall issue; provided that in the case of a defendant charged with a [MISDEMEANOR TRAFFIC OFFENSE] minor offense as defined in Rule 8, District Court Rules of Criminal Procedure, additional summons may issue in lieu of a warrant of arrest. If a defendant corporation fails to appear after having been duly summoned, a plea of not guilty shall be entered by the court if the court is empowered to try the offense for which the summons was issued and the court may proceed to trial and judgment without further process. If the court is not so empowered it shall proceed as though the defendant has appeared.

DATED: June 6, 1985

EFFECTIVE DATE: July 1, 1985


Chief Justice Rabinowitz


Justice Burke


Justice Matthews


Justice Compton

Justice Moore