

IN THE SUPREME COURT FOR THE STATE OF ALASKA

ORDER NO. 813

Amending Administrative Rule 8
concerning fees for physician
testimony about autopsy

IT IS ORDERED:

Administrative Rule 8 is amended to provide:

Physicians shall be allowed a reasonable fee [NOT TO EXCEED \$60.00 PER HOUR] for performing the following services:

(a) An examination under order of court pursuant to AS 47.30.700 [47.30.070, AN AUTOPSY OR POST MORTEM EXAMINATION UNDER ORDER OF THE CORONER PURSUANT TO AS 12.65.020,] or such other examination as may be ordered by the court upon its own motion;

(b) Giving medical expert testimony at a hearing when ordered by the court in relation to such examination or in relation to an autopsy or post mortem examination ordered pursuant to AS 12.65.020.

Fees for such services shall be paid from funds appropriated to the judiciary. Claims for compensation shall be submitted for approval to the judicial officer ordering the examination or testimony, subject to final approval by the administrative director. In all other cases, physicians' fees shall be paid by the requesting party or parties.

The administrative director may authorize a fee under (a) of this rule to be computed other than on an hourly basis, provided that such computation results in a fee that is substantially the same as if computed hourly.

DATED: April 9, 1987

EFFECTIVE DATE: August 1, 1987

Chief Justice Rabinowitz

Justice Burke

Justice Matthews

Justice Compton

Justice Moore