

IN THE SUPREME COURT FOR THE STATE OF ALASKA

ORDER NO. 814

Adding Administrative Rule 8.1 concerning fees for expert advisory panels in medical malpractice cases.

IT IS ORDERED:

A new Administrative Rule 8.1 is added to provide:

Administrative Rule 8.1: Health Care Provider Expert Advisory Panel Fees

(a) Compensation by Court. Expert advisory panel members appointed pursuant to AS 09.55.536 will be reimbursed by the court for the reasonable expenses of transportation outside the panel member's city of residence which are necessary for the preparation of the panel's report. Panel members will be reimbursed for other expenses of preparing their report at the rate of \$18.00 per hour, not to exceed \$90.00 per day. If the panel member's reasonable and necessary actual expenses other than transportation expenses exceed this hourly rate, the panel member will be compensated for reasonable and necessary actual expenses in lieu of the hourly compensation. Panel members are not entitled to compensation from the court for any professional fees for service on the panel.

(b) Request for Compensation. In order to qualify for reimbursement, a panel member must submit to the trial court within thirty days after the submission of the expert report a written request for reimbursement which specifies by date and by nature of the item any transportation expenses, time spent preparing the report, and, if reimbursement for actual expenses is sought, all

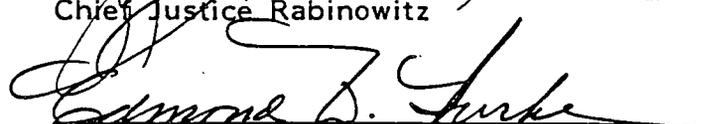
expenses. Claims for reimbursement must be submitted for approval to the assigned judge and are subject to final approval by the administrative director.

DATED: April 22, 1987

EFFECTIVE DATE: August 1, 1987



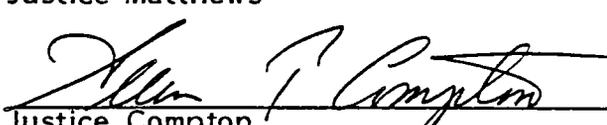
Chief Justice Rabinowitz



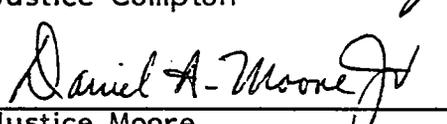
Justice Burke



Justice Matthews



Justice Compton



Justice Moore