

# State of Alaska

OFFICIAL ELECTION PAMPHLET

November 2, 2010

# Vote

Your **VOTE** is your **VOICE**...  
let it be heard!

## Region IV

- Northern
- Northwest
- Southwest
- Bristol Bay
- Aleutians Coastal Areas



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Maps are placed with appropriate state house and senate candidates.*

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**STATE OF ALASKA**  
**Division of Elections**  
**Office of the Lieutenant Governor**

November 2010

Dear Alaska Voter:

The 2010 Official Election Pamphlet is your guide to the November 2, 2010 general election. Information from candidates for the offices of United States Senator, United States Representative, Governor, Lieutenant Governor, State Senate and State Representative is included to assist you as you prepare to vote.

Also included is information from members of the judiciary seeking retention to the bench, as well as information from the Alaska Judicial Council.

The pamphlet contains information about the constitutional amendment and two bonding propositions that will appear on the November general election ballot.

If you will not be able to vote in person at your polling place on Election Day, there are other voting options available. Please see page 7 to familiarize yourself with these options.

Many elections in Alaska have been close, every vote makes a difference. I encourage you to make a difference on Election Day and vote.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Gail Fenumiai".

Gail Fenumiai  
Director

# Voting Information

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## Election Day is November 2, 2010

### Polling Places

The polls will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. on Election Day. **To locate your polling place please call 1-888-383-8683. In Anchorage, please call 269-8683.**

### Bring Identification to the Polls

You **MUST** be prepared to show one form of identification. You may use the following ID:

- Voter ID Card
- Driver's License
- State ID Card
- Current and valid photo ID Card
- Passport
- Military ID Card
- Birth Certificate
- Hunting or Fishing License

**or**, you may use an original copy of one of the following documents if it contains your name and current address:

- Current Utility Bill
- Government Check
- Bank Statement
- Pay Check
- Other Government Document

*If you do not have identification when voting, you will be asked to vote a questioned ballot.*

### What Happens if Your Name is not on Register

If your name does not appear on the precinct register, you may vote a questioned ballot. Before receiving a ballot, you must complete a questioned ballot envelope. Your voted ballot will be placed in a secrecy sleeve and then the secrecy sleeve will be sealed inside the completed questioned ballot envelope. All questioned ballots are returned to the Election Supervisor for review and counting by the Questioned Ballot Review Board.

### Marking the Ballot

When voting the ballot, completely fill in the oval next to the candidate or issue you wish to vote for. Fill in the oval like this: 

You only have to mark the races or issues you choose to vote for. If you mark more than one choice in a race or issue, that section of the ballot will **NOT** be counted. The sections of the ballot that are properly marked will be counted.

If you make a mistake marking your ballot, **DO NOT** erase or correct the ballot. You may return the spoiled ballot to an election worker and request a new ballot. If you attempt to correct a mistake on the ballot, the corrected vote may not be counted. **Note:** You may only receive a replacement for a spoiled ballot 2 times.

### Campaigning Prohibited Near Polls

Alaska law prohibits political persuasion within 200 feet of any entrance to a polling place during the hours the polls are open. This means you may not discuss or display campaign items for candidates or issues appearing on the ballot at that polling place.

# Voter Rights, Assistance and Concerns

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## Questioned Voting

If your name is not listed on the precinct register or if you do not have identification, you have the right to vote a questioned ballot. The information you provide on the outside of the questioned ballot envelope will be used to determine your voting eligibility and to update your voter registration information. If for any reason your questioned ballot is not fully counted, you will be notified in writing.

## Language or Other Assistance While Voting

If you need assistance during the voting process, you may have a person of your choice provide any needed assistance as long as that person is not a candidate for office in the election, is not your employer, agent of your employer or agent of a union you belong to. Assistance may be provided during each step of the voting process, including assistance inside the voting booth with reading or marking the ballot. You may also receive assistance from the election board. This is your right under federal law.

The Division of Elections provides for language assistance for Alaska Native and Filipino (Tagalog) voters who have limited English proficiency through the use of bilingual election workers and interpreters. Alaska Native language assistance is available on Election Day in many rural polling places throughout the state. Filipino (Tagalog) language assistance is available on Election Day in Kodiak. If you need language assistance, please contact the Division of Elections. Yup'ik language assistance is available by calling, toll-free, 1-866-954-8683.

## Touch Screen Voting Option

There will be one touch screen voting unit in each polling place. Touch screen voting is intended for the blind, disabled, and for voters who do not read well. Alaska's touch screen voting unit allows disabled voters to vote unassisted through the use of magnified, high contrast and audio ballots. If you need to vote using the touch screen voting unit, let the election board know.

## Visually Impaired Voters

Magnifying ballot viewers for the visually impaired will be available at all polling places and absentee voting sites.

Audio recording of this Pamphlet is available at each Regional Election Office or from the Alaska State Library, Talking Book Center, located in Anchorage. Telephone the library at (907) 269-6575 for information.

## Hearing Impaired Voters

The Division of Elections has a TTY telecommunications device, which allows hearing impaired voters to obtain general information about elections by calling (907) 465-3020.

## Physically Disabled Voters

If you have difficulty gaining access to your polling place, or if you have accessibility questions about your polling place, please let the Division of Elections know. We make every effort to ensure that polling places are accessible to all Alaskans.

## Concerns, Comments, Questions

If you have any concerns or comments about voting, if you have questions, or if you would like more information about our special services, please contact any regional elections office.

### REGION I

Juneau: (907) 465-3021  
Toll free: (866) 948-8683

### REGION III

Fairbanks: (907) 451-2835  
Toll free: (866)959-8683

### REGION II

Anchorage: (907) 522-8683  
Toll free: (866) 958-8683

### REGION IV

Nome: (907) 443-5285  
Toll free: (866) 953-8683

Mat-Su: (907) 373-8952

**Yup'ik Language Assistance, Toll-free 866-954-8683**

**Director's Office, Toll-free 866-952-8683**

# STATE OF ALASKA

DEPARTMENT OF MILITARY AND VETERANS AFFAIRS  
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November, 2010

To Fellow Military Service Members,

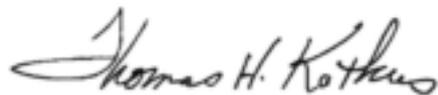
Freedom comes at a great cost. No one knows that better than the brave men and women who have served or are currently serving in the United States Armed Forces. You continue to answer the nations call to secure and defend freedom for the citizens of this country and for those we are called to serve around the world.

During the upcoming election cycle I urge you to take full advantage of the freedom that so many have dearly paid for. The ability to vote is the foundation on which freedom is built. This November, you have the opportunity to cast your ballot and let your voice be heard.

If you are deployed overseas at this time, you have not given up your right to vote. You can arrange to use an absentee ballot through the Alaska Division of Elections. If you have not already done so, arrangements must be made swiftly as election day is soon to be upon us.

Thank you for your service and daily sacrifice to this nation. On election day, take the time to enjoy the benefits of freedom you so richly deserve.

Sincerely,



Thomas H. Katkus  
Major General, AKARNG  
The Adjutant General-Alaska

# Absentee Voting

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## Early / In Person / By Mail / By Fax / Special Needs Voting

There are several absentee voting options available during each election. You may vote absentee in person, by mail, by fax or vote a special needs ballot through a personal representative.

### Voting Early or Absentee In Person

Beginning **October 18, 2010**, you may vote at an absentee voting site. Ballots for all 40 districts are available at all Regional Elections offices. In addition to the Regional Elections offices, there are many other voting sites throughout Alaska that will have ballots for their house district. For more information or for a list of absentee voting locations visit our website or contact a Regional Elections office.

### Special Needs Voting

If you are unable to go to the polls due to age, serious illness or a disability, you may have a personal representative pick up and deliver a ballot to you beginning 15 days before an election at an absentee voting site or on Election Day at the polling place. Your personal representative can be anyone, except a candidate for office in the election, the voter's employer, an agent of the voter's employer, or an officer or agent of the voter's union.

### Voting By Mail or By Fax

The Division of Elections Absentee Office in Anchorage handles all absentee by mail and fax applications. To vote by mail or by fax, you must submit an application.

#### Absentee By Mail

Absentee ballot applications can be submitted after January 1st of each election year. You can request a ballot for a specific election or for all elections in the year. **Absentee by mail ballot applications for the General election must be received by October 23, 2010.** Apply early to ensure timely delivery of your ballot. Your voted ballot must be postmarked on or before Election Day.

#### Absentee By Fax

Voting by fax should be your last alternative for casting a ballot. You may apply for fax voting **October 18, 2010 through 5:00pm Alaska Time on November 1, 2010.** You may return your voted fax ballot by mail or by fax. **If you return your voted ballot by fax, it must be received no later than 8:00pm Alaska Time on Election Day.** If you return your voted ballot by mail, it must be postmarked on or before Election Day.

If you have questions about voting by mail or fax, please contact the Absentee Office at (907) 375-6400 or Toll Free (877) 375-6508.

For more information about absentee voting, contact any Division of Elections office or visit our website at:

**[www.elections.alaska.gov](http://www.elections.alaska.gov)**



# State of Alaska - Division of Elections

## Absentee Ballot Application

You may use this application to request an absentee ballot for federal and state elections conducted by the Division of Elections. This form may also be used simultaneously to request a ballot and initially register to vote. If you are not registered, this application MUST be received or postmarked at least 30 DAYS prior to election day. If you are registered, this application MUST be received 10 DAYS prior to election day.

### When Completing This Application, Provide:

1. **Alaska Residence Address Where You Live** – A physical residence address in Alaska **must** be included. The residence address is used to assign your voting district and precinct. Your application will not be processed if you do not provide a residence address or if you provide a PO Box, HC No. and Box, PSC Box, Rural Route No., Commercial Address or Mail Stop Address in number 6 of the application.

If your residence has been assigned a street number, provide that number. If not, indicate exactly where you live such as, highway name and milepost number, boat harbor with pier and slip number, subdivision name with lot and block or trailer park name and space number. If you live in a rural village in Alaska, you may provide the community name as your residence address.

**Are you temporarily out of State?** If so, and you have intent to return (active military and military spouses are exempt from intent requirements), you may maintain your Alaska residence as it appears on your current record. If you provide a new residence address, it must be within Alaska.

2. **Proof of Identity** – Your identity **must** be verified. If you have been issued a Social Security Number, an Alaska Driver's License number or an Alaska State ID card number, you **MUST** provide at least one in number 8. If you have never been issued one of the identification numbers, you may indicate this by checking the appropriate box.
3. **Date of Birth** – If you do not provide a date of birth, your application will not be processed.

4. **Are you submitting this application by mail, by FAX or by PDF file through e-mail?** If so, and if you are not already registered to vote in Alaska, your identity **must** be verified either at the time you register or the first time you vote. If you would like to ensure that your identity is verified at the time you register, submit a copy of one of the following:

- Current and valid photo identification
- Passport
- Birth certificate
- Driver's license
- State identification card
- Hunting and Fishing license

If you do not provide proof of identification at the time of registration, you will be required to meet certain identification requirements at the time you vote.

5. **Are you registering from outside the State of Alaska?** If so, you **must** provide proof of Alaska residency, such as a copy of your Alaska driver's license, hunting or fishing license, student loan documents, proof of employment in Alaska, military leave and earnings statement or other documentation that supports your claim as an Alaska resident.
6. **Have you been convicted of a felony?** If so, you may register to vote only if you have been unconditionally discharged. Provide a copy of your discharge papers with this application if available.
7. **Political Affiliation - Recognized political parties** are those parties that have gained recognized political party status under Alaska Statute. **Political groups** are those groups who have applied for political party status but have not met the qualifications to be a recognized political party under Alaska Statutes. Political affiliations in Alaska are as follows:

**Recognized Political Parties:**

Alaska Democratic Party  
Alaska Libertarian Party  
Alaska Republican Party  
Alaskan Independence Party

**Political Groups:**

Green Party of Alaska  
Republican Moderate Party  
Veterans of Alaska

**Other:**

Nonpartisan (not affiliated with a political party or group)  
Undeclared (do not wish to declare a political affiliation)

8. **Primary Election Ballot Choice Information** – Your political affiliation 30 days before the election determines the ballot selection you are eligible to make. You **must** select a ballot type that is available to you and corresponding to your political affiliation in number 11. If you are not affiliated with a political party or group and you do not select a ballot choice, your application will not be processed for the primary election.
  - Any registered voter may select the Alaskan Independence, Democratic, Libertarian Candidates ballot.
  - Only voters registered as Republican, Nonpartisan or Undeclared may select the Republican Candidates ballot.
  - Any registered voter may select the Ballot Measures ONLY ballot. This ballot will have only ballot measures and no candidates will appear on this ballot.
9. **Special Advance Ballots** – This ballot is a blank ballot with spaces for you to write-in the names of the candidates you wish to vote for and is mailed beginning 60 days before election day. This ballot is for those voters who are overseas or in remote areas of Alaska where the mail service may be slow. In addition to the 60 day advance ballot, you will also be mailed the official ballot 2-3 weeks before the election. You may vote and return both ballots. If both ballots are returned in time, only the official ballot will be counted.

10. Mail, fax or email (as a pdf, tiff or jpg attachment) your completed application to the office below.

Division of Elections  
Absentee Voting Office  
619 E. Ship Creek Ave., Suite 329  
Anchorage, AK 99501-1677

FAX: 1-907-677-9943  
Phone: 1-907-375-6400  
Toll Free 1-877-375-6508 (within the U.S.)  
E-Mail: [akabsentee@alaska.gov](mailto:akabsentee@alaska.gov)

Yup'ik Language Assistance Toll Free 1-866-954-8683

## Absentee Voting Locations

Ballots for all districts statewide are available for Region IV voters at the following locations:

Division of Elections Offices listed below will have ballots available during the following times:

October 18 - November 1	M-F	8:00am - 5:00pm
October 30	Saturday	10:00am - 4:00pm
October 31	Sunday	12:00pm - 4:00pm
Election Day, November 2		7:00am - 8:00pm

### Anchorage

2525 Gambell St., Suite 100

### Juneau

9109 Mendenhall Mall Road, Suite 3

### Fairbanks

675 7th Avenue, Suite A2

### Nome

103 E. Front Street, 2nd Floor

### Wasilla

1700 E. Bogard Road, Bldg. B, Suite 102

Statewide ballots are also available at the following locations during the listed times:

Anchorage City Hall 632 W. 6th Ave, 1st Floor, Suite 160	October 18 - November 1 Election Day - November 2	M-F	8:00am - 5:00pm 8:00am - 8:00pm
University of Alaska, Anchorage 3211 Providence Dr., Student Union, 2nd Floor	November 1 Election Day - November 2		8:00am - 5:00pm 7:00am - 8:00pm
Ted Stevens International Airport South Terminal, Anchorage Ground Transportation Lobby, Information Booth	Election Day - November 2		7:00am - 8:00pm
Elmendorf AFB - Mt. Spur Elementary School 8414 McGuire Ave.	Tuesday, October 26th		8:00am - 5:00pm
Ft. Richardson - Ursa Major Elementary School 454 Dyea St.	Wednesday, October 27th		8:00am - 5:00pm
Fairbanks International Airport University of Alaska, Fairbanks Wood Center	Election Day - November 2 November 1 Election Day - November 2		7:00am - 8:00pm 8:00am - 5:00pm 7:00am - 8:00pm
Juneau International Airport	Election Day - November 2		7:00am - 8:00pm
Juneau Court Plaza Building 240 Main Street, Suite 201	October 18 - November 1 Election Day - November 2	M-F	8:00am - 5:00pm 8:00am - 5:00pm
Ketchikan Airport	Election Day - November 2		7:00am - 8:00pm
Kodiak Airport	Election Day - November 2		7:00am - 8:00pm
Prudhoe Bay, Service Area 10 Camp Old Spine Road	October 30 - November 1 Election Day - November 2		8:00am - 8:00pm 8:00am - 8:00pm
Sitka Airport	Election Day - November 2		7:00am - 8:00pm
Kenai Peninsula Assembly Chambers 144 N Binkley, Soldotna	October 18 - November 1 October 30 October 31 Election Day - November 2	M-F Sat Sun	8:00am - 5:00pm 10:00am - 4:00pm 12:00pm - 4:00pm 7:00am - 8:00pm

## Absentee Voting Locations

Ballots for individual districts are available for Region IV voters at the following locations:

Adak City Office 100 Mechanics Way	October 18 - November 2	M-F	9:00am - 5:00pm	House District 37
Barrow North Slope Borough Clerk's Office 1274 Agvik St.	October 19 - November 2	M-F	8:00am - 5:00pm	House District 40
Bethel City Clerk's Office 300 Chief Eddie Hoffman Highway	October 19 - November 2	M-F	9:00am - Noon 1:00pm - 5:00pm	House District 38
Chignik Lagoon Council Building	October 18 - November 2	M-F	As Needed	House District 37
Chignik Lake Council Building	October 19 - November 2	M-F	As Needed	House District 37
Cold Bay City Office	October 19- November 2	M-F	8:00am - 5:00pm	House District 37
Dillingham City Office	October 18 - November 2	M-F	8:00am - 5:00pm	House District 37
False Pass City Office 180 Unimak Drive	October 19 - November 2	M-F	8:00am - 5:00pm	House District 37
Kasigluk Akiuk Memorial School	Election Day - November 2		8:00am - 8:00pm	House District 38
Kotzebue Northwest Arctic Borough Clerk's Office	October 19 - November 2	M-F	8:00am - 5:00pm	House District 40
Naknek Bristol Bay Borough Clerk's Office 1 Main Street	October 19 - November 2	M-F	8:00am - 4:30pm	House District 37
Nelson Lagoon Corporation Office 101 Main Street	October 19 - November 2	M-F	8:00am - 5:00pm	House District 37
Pilot Point City Hall 2500 Main Street	October 18 - November 2	M-F	As Needed	House District 37
Sand Point City Office 249 Main Street	October 19 - November 2	M-F	8:00am - 5:00pm	House District 37
St. Mary's City Office 921 Paukan Avenue	October 19 - November 2	M-F	As Needed	House District 39
St. Paul City Office 100 Gorbatch	October 18 - November 2	M-F	8:00am - 5:00pm	House District 37
Twin Hills Village Council Building	October 19 - November 2	M-F	As Needed	House District 37
Unalakleet City Office 28 Beach Road	October 18 - November 2	M-F	As Needed	House District 39
Unalaska City Clerk's Office 43 Ravens Way	October 18 - November 2	M-F	8:00am - 5:00pm	House District 37

# Voter Eligibility and Polling Places

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## Frequently Asked Questions

**Q - Who can vote?**

**A -** U.S. citizens, 18 years or older, who are registered to vote in Alaska at least 30 days before an election, with the exception of voting for President/Vice President. You can register and vote for President on Election Day.

**Q - May I register to vote before I am 18?**

**A -** You may register 90 days before you turn 18, but you must be 18 on or before Election Day in order to vote.

**Q - I have just become a U.S. citizen. May I vote in the General Election?**

**A -** If you became a U.S. citizen and registered to vote at least 30 days prior to the election, you may vote for all races appearing on the ballot. If you became a citizen and/or registered to vote after the 30-day deadline, you may vote for President.

**Q - If I was convicted of a felony may I still vote?**

**A -** Your voting rights are restored after you have been unconditionally discharged from your sentence and after you re-register to vote.

**Q - How do I register to vote?**

**A -** You may register to vote in Alaska by completing a voter registration application and presenting it in person to the Division of Elections, a voter registrar in your community, a city or borough clerk, or a voter registration agency (e.g., DMV, recruitment offices of the armed forces). You may also mail it to a Division of Elections' office. A voter registration application can be downloaded from our web site: [www.elections.alaska.gov](http://www.elections.alaska.gov)

**Q - I have moved within the state since I last voted. How do I update my voter registration record?**

**A -** You may change/update your registration record on the Voter Registration Application. If you did not update your registration at least 30 days prior to the election you will have to vote a questioned ballot.

## Polling Place Questions

To determine where your polling place is located, please call 1-888-383-8683 (in Anchorage, 269-8683) or visit our web site at: [www.elections.alaska.gov](http://www.elections.alaska.gov)

**Q - Where do I vote?**

**A -** Go to your polling place.

**Q - If I'm not sure about what to do when I get to my polling place, is there someone there to help me?**

**A -** Yes, the election board workers at the polling place will help you.

**Q - Do I need identification when I go to vote? If so, what type?**

**A -** Yes. Examples of appropriate ID include: a driver's license, State ID card, voter ID card, military ID, fishing or hunting license, or passport. A picture ID is not necessary.

**Q - May I take my completed sample ballot or my own written list into the voting booth?**

**A -** Yes. Deciding how you will vote before you get to the polls will help you vote an informed ballot.

**Q - Is there any way to vote instead of going to the polling place on Election Day?**

**A -** Yes. See the section in this pamphlet on Absentee Voting.

### **Polling Place Changes**

<u>District/Precinct</u>	<u>Precinct Name</u>	<u>New Polling Location</u>
37-700	Akutan	Akutan City Hall Akutan, AK
37-738	St. George Island	St. George City Office St. George Island, AK
39-904	Chevak	JVP Building Chevak, AK
39-930	Pilot Station	Tutalgaq Community Center Pilot Station, AK
40-002	Ambler	Ambler IRA Building Ambler, AK
40-18	Kiana	Kiana Community Building Kiana, AK

**To locate your polling place please call 1-888-383-8683.  
In Anchorage, please call 269-8683.**

**Verify your voter registration status and polling place location online!**

Need to know what district you are registered in?  
Need to find out your polling place location?

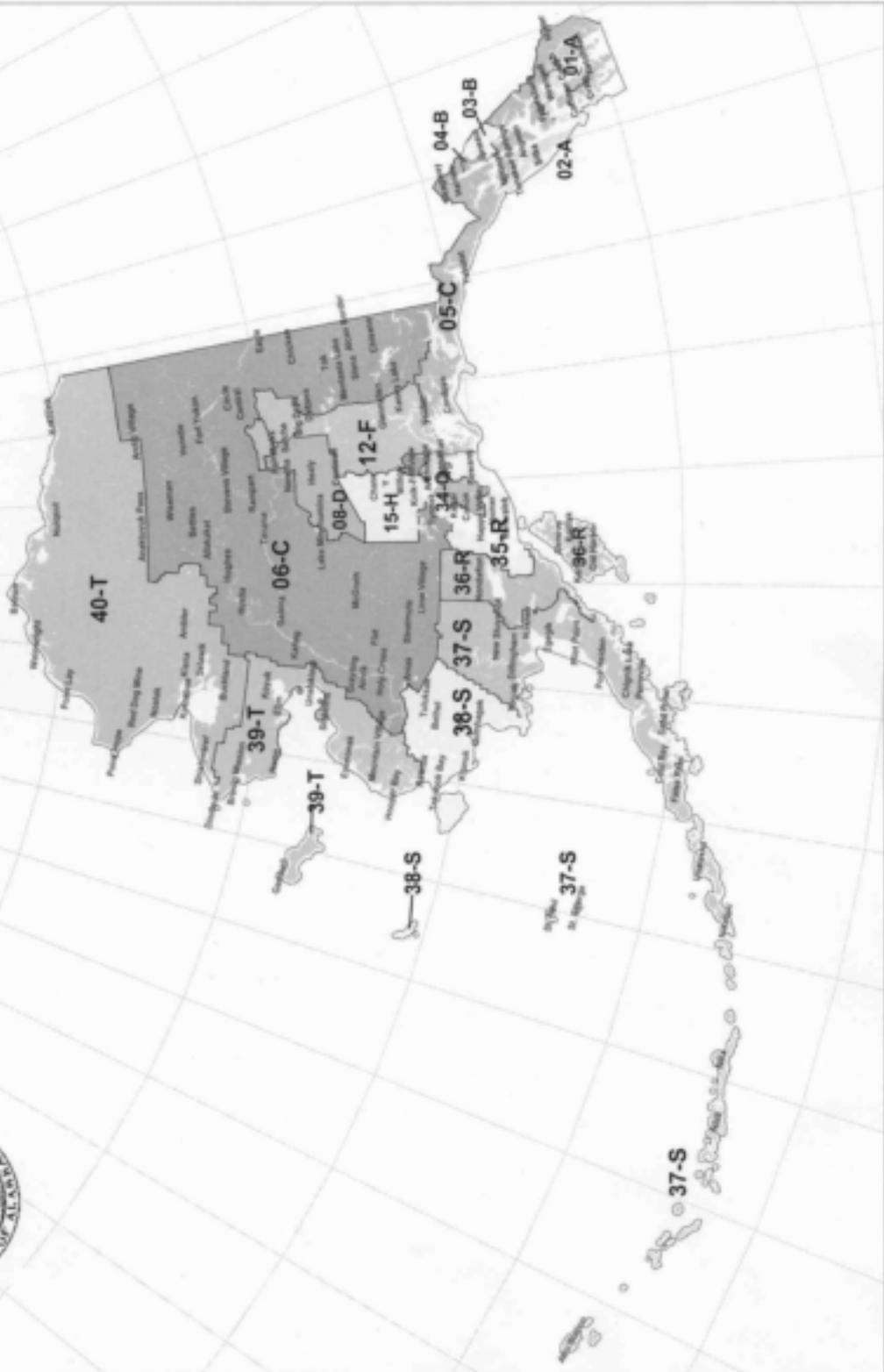
Look up your voter registration record at [www.elections.alaska.gov](http://www.elections.alaska.gov)  
(go to Online Tools and then go to Voter Registration Status)



# State of Alaska - Division of Elections

## Amended Final Redistricting Plan

April 25, 2002



# Candidates For Elected Office

Vote!  
November 2

# Candidates for Elected Office

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General Election Day is Tuesday, November 2, 2010

## United States Senate

Scott T. McAdams, Democrat  
Fredrick "David" Haase, Libertarian  
Tim Carter, Non-Affiliated  
Ted Gianoutsos, Non-Affiliated  
Joe Miller, Republican

## United States Representative

Harry T. Crawford, Jr., Democrat  
Don Young, Republican

## Governor

Ethan A. Berkowitz, Democrat  
Donald R. Wright, Alaskan Independence\*  
William S. "Billy" Toien, Libertarian  
Sean R. Parnell, Republican

## Lieutenant Governor

Diane E. Benson, Democrat  
Jeffrey D. Brown, Libertarian  
Mead Treadwell, Republican

## Alaska State Senate

### SENATE DISTRICT 5

Lyman F. Hoffman, Democrat

## Alaska State House

### HOUSE DISTRICT 37

Bryce Edgemon, Democrat

### HOUSE DISTRICT 39

Neal W. Foster, Democrat\*

### HOUSE DISTRICT 38

Bob Herron, Democrat

### HOUSE DISTRICT 40

Reggie Joule, Democrat\*

*\*Indicates candidate did not submit pamphlet materials, did not fulfill requirements to appear in pamphlet or failed to meet statutory filing deadlines for submission. (AS 15.58.030 and AS 15.58.060)*

# United States Senate

## Scott T. McAdams, Democrat



**RESIDENCE ADDRESS:** 602 Monastery St  
Sitka, AK 99835-7416

**MAILING ADDRESS:** PO Box 200569  
Anchorage, AK 99520

**E-MAIL:** [info@scottmcadams.org](mailto:info@scottmcadams.org)

**WEB SITE ADDRESS:** [www.scottmcadams.org](http://www.scottmcadams.org)

**AGE:** 39

**PLACE OF BIRTH:** Orange, CA

**NAME OF SPOUSE:** Romee

**CHILDREN'S NAMES:** Kaity, Chloe, and Gavin

**OCCUPATION:** Community Schools  
Director

**LENGTH OF RESIDENCY IN ALASKA:** 19 years

**ALASKAN COMMUNITIES LIVED IN:**  
Petersburg 1977-1985, 1990-93  
Sitka 1997-present

**EDUCATION:**  
Bachelor's Degree in Education from Sheldon  
Jackson College in Sitka, AK

**POLITICAL and GOVERNMENT POSITIONS:**  
Sitka School Board, 2002-2008  
President of the Sitka School Board, 2005-2008

President of the Association of Alaska School Boards, 2007  
Mayor of Sitka, 2008-current  
Alaska Municipal League Board of Directors, 2008

**SERVICE ORGANIZATION(S) MEMBERSHIP:**

United Methodist Church of Sitka, Pastor-Parish  
Relations Committee  
Sitka long range planning and economic development  
commission  
District 2 Chairman, Alaska Democratic Party

**SPECIAL INTERESTS:**

Alaskan history  
Alaska Native art

**OTHER:**

I first came to Alaska at age seven and spent my elementary years in Petersburg. My young adult years were spent working as a commercial fishing deckhand around the state. I am a graduate of Sheldon Jackson College in Sitka. I worked as a tireless advocate for Alaska's kids at the community, state and national levels. Today I am the Mayor of Sitka.

**STATEMENT:**

As a small town Alaskan mayor and former school board president, I have had to cut spending and I have delivered balanced budgets during tough times. As your next Senator, I will never forget that the men and women of the middle class are Alaska's greatest natural resource, and I will never vote to simply print more money to fund multi-billion dollar big bank bailouts.

As a former deckhand in Alaska's commercial fishing sector, I will fight to ensure that Alaska's natural resources remain the green choice in a global marketplace. As your next US Senator, I will work to ensure that Alaska's natural resources are developed using the highest environmental standards in the world and are promoted as the green choice in the American marketplace while creating new jobs for Alaskans.

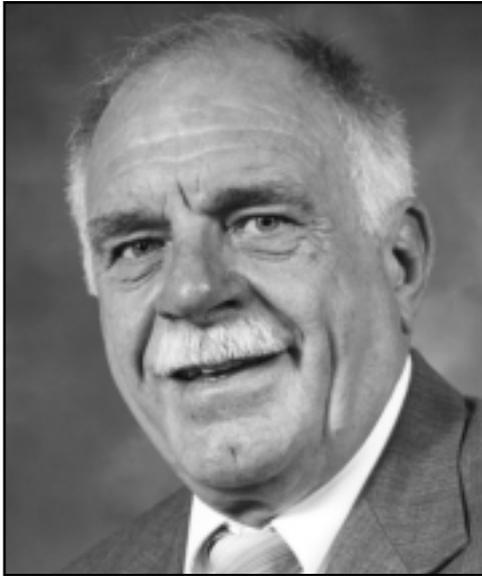
I believe that Alaskans know what is best for Alaska's children. I will remind beltway policy makers that the policies of No Child Left Behind have no place in our rural schools and I will fight to return control to local communities. I will be an advocate for Alaska's university and vocational programs.

I hold true the Alaskan belief that sovereignty begins with the individual, and that Alaska was built on the freedoms granted by choice, opportunity and self-determination. As your next Senator, I will fight to ensure that no outside interest, corporate or governmental, impedes or diminishes our individual ability to choose how we live, who we love, where we pray or what we think.

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# United States Senate

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Andrew

**OCCUPATION:** Real Estate Broker; Organic  
Farmer

**LENGTH OF RESIDENCY IN ALASKA:** 16 years

**ALASKAN COMMUNITIES LIVED IN:** Anchorage  
1994-2010

**EDUCATION:**  
Willamette HS, Eugene, Oregon 1960, Graduated and  
Certified Commercial Investment Member National As-  
sociation Realtors 1969, Oregon Realtors Institute 1966  
graduation 1970, Graduate Gemologist, Gemological  
Institute America 1993

### MILITARY SERVICE:

Drafted Army 1964, two years food inspector, qualified sharpshooter M-14, honorable discharge 1966.

Re-enlisted Oregon Army National Guard 1988, qualified Calvary Scout, trained Nuclear Biological Chemical and Medic, qualified M 16 expert.

Served five years full time Army National Guard Recruiter, Awarded Master Recruiter Badge Army Achievement Medal.

### BUSINESS and PROFESSIONAL POSITIONS:

Entrepreneur, Problem Solver, Developer, Builder, Rancher, Farmer; and Real Estate Broker involved in at least one real estate transaction in 48 different states.

### SPECIAL INTERESTS:

Current Events, History, Fishing, Hunting, Rocks and Birds.

### OTHER:

Thousands of hours flying my airplane, driving my 18 wheelers, riding my horses, boating and a tractor going in circles.

### STATEMENT:

Most people know something is terribly wrong that could easily be fixed, but most people do not understand how to fix it. That is why I am running. If I can help two of you understand and you do the same, in time the whole country would understand. If you understand that logic, you can understand the banking system's trap for you.

When I first learned real estate financing most homes were free and clear, few people had a car loan and nobody had a credit card or two jobs. We are serfs to the banks by their design. Please do not be too lazy to figure it out for yourself.

It is time for the "Peoples Bailout".

1. Nationalize the Federal Reserve and place it under Congressional control.
2. Pay the entire national debt off, with none interest-bearing notes (Greenbacks as Lincoln did).
3. Place responsibility of funding social security to the nationalized FED.
4. Abolish the individual income tax.
5. Plan a return to the banking system of our founders.

Do you know?

1. What fiat money is?
2. How "Fractional Reserve Banking" works?
3. What the "New World Order" is about?
4. Money is created as debt but only enough to pay the debt not enough to pay the interest. The only way to get more money for the interest is more debt, with more interest. Are you starting to get it? Soon the banks own everything
5. Find the truth: Google it, while you still can.

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# United States Senate

## Tim Carter, Non-Affiliated



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Casey Carter Bonar  
(deceased)

**OCCUPATION:** Retired Optometrist, Personal  
Investments (real estate and  
financial markets)

**LENGTH OF RESIDENCY IN ALASKA:** 3 years

**ALASKAN COMMUNITIES LIVED IN:**  
Girdwood, Alaska, 2007-present

**EDUCATION:**  
Lee High School, 1956-1958  
Florida State University, 1959-1961  
Southern College of Optometry 1961-1964; BS & OD  
degrees

### **MILITARY SERVICE:**

ROTC at Florida State University

### **BUSINESS and PROFESSIONAL POSITIONS:**

R Timothy Carter ODP, President, CEO 1964-2003  
BOD, American Optometric Foundation 1972-1974  
President of Student Body Southern College of Optometry  
in 1964

### **SERVICE ORGANIZATION(S) MEMBERSHIP:**

Lions 1964-2002, Rotary, Past President of the Clay County  
Cancer Society

### **SPECIAL INTERESTS:**

Family activities, Flying in Alaska's Splendor in my PA-14,  
fishing, hunting, hiking, snow machining, skiing, 4-wheeling,  
reading at the Girdwood Library, exercising at the local Fitness  
Center, church

### **OTHER:**

Happiest man in Alaska - I'm not a "Sourdough" but I'm living  
my dream in Alaska.

### **STATEMENT:**

I came to Alaska to live my lifelong dream. As YOUR Senator,  
I will fight for YOUR rights and YOUR future. Instead of  
positioning myself for re-election, I'll limit myself to one term  
addressing YOUR issues, not those of lobbyists.

My vision for Alaska benefits all Alaskans well into the future  
making your interest the highest priority. Decisions concerning  
Alaska should be made by Alaskans, not by outsiders guided  
by principles or objectives not necessarily benefitting Alaska.

Alaska must lead the country in Renewable Energy  
Development by investing in clean, safe technology; utilizing  
Alaska's vast untapped potential in wind, geothermal,  
hydroelectric and tidal energy; and ending our dependence on  
foreign oil.

ANWR and other natural resources must be harvested  
responsibly with minimum environmental impact. Proceeds  
must be used to build infrastructure providing for our state's  
great future.

It's time to stop talking and start building an Alaska natural gas  
pipeline. Alaska gas belongs to you – the time is NOW.

All decisions should be made after in-depth, unbiased  
consideration of all elements of each issue for the betterment  
of OUR COUNTRY and ALASKANS – not for political purpose.  
I am not an isolationist; however, we should not be involved in  
military actions not in the security interests of the citizens of  
our country.

I'll be conservative with your money and protective of your  
individual rights. I am the working man's candidate, and I will  
never stop working for all Alaskans.

I strongly believe in Balanced Representation firmly embedded  
with Integrity.

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# United States Senate

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**OCCUPATION:** Retired

**LENGTH OF RESIDENCY IN ALASKA:** 11 wonderful  
years!

**ALASKAN COMMUNITIES LIVED IN:**  
Anchorage, 1999-2010

**EDUCATION:** Boston University, '68 BS USC '79 MPA

**MILITARY SERVICE:** USAF, 4 years, Airman, 1961-1965

**POLITICAL and GOVERNMENT POSITIONS:**  
Project Manager/Energy Specialist, USDOJ  
U.S. Senate Candidate 2004 and 2008  
Alaska Governor Candidate 2006

**BUSINESS and PROFESSIONAL POSITIONS:**  
Production Manager  
Business Owner, construction materials/solar energy

**SERVICE ORGANIZATION(S) MEMBERSHIP:**  
Co-Founder, National Fish and Wildlife Foundation  
Founding member, Alaska SeaLife Center  
Charter member, Vietnam Veterans of America  
Anchorage Chapter 904  
Founding member, Alaska Veterans Foundation  
Founding member, Veterans Party of Alaska  
Benefactor member NRA  
Life member, IWLA, NWF, NAS  
4th Degree Knight of Columbus  
Lector, Holy Family Cathedral

**SPECIAL INTERESTS:** Alaska outdoors, Reading,  
Opera, Philanthropy

**OTHER:** For the past 48 years my love and wife Françoise and I have done everything TOGETHER, including our campaigns for senator and governor, and WE will put ALL of our substantial combined skills, talents, knowledge, abilities, and experience to the maximum service and benefit of our fellow Alaskans.

**STATEMENT:** Elect me, and YOU win! Alaskan voters are deeply disappointed with the 30-year Murkowski father-daughter failure to open ANWR. Especially from 2002 to 2006 when according to them, "all of the stars were aligned"! Indeed, father-daughter could and should have opened ANWR in 2002 when my wife Françoise and I begged them to support our N.E.W. – ANWR efforts and open ANWR with us personifying the legislation as we had the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation Act that we got unanimously passed through Congress (please see details on my website at [www.tedandfran.com](http://www.tedandfran.com)).

How much has the deliberate father-daughter ANWR failure cost Alaska and America? More than 100 million dollars every day – hundreds-of-billions of dollars over the past several years! While Alaska and America lost the benefit of 1.5 million barrels of ANWR oil a day that would have filled our Alaska oil pipeline, father-daughter were talking up a non-existent gas line. Father-daughter won big-time for 30-years blaming everyone but themselves for their ANWR failure.

Isn't it time that YOU won? Elect me and YOU WILL WIN! I can and will open ANWR in the most beneficial way for Alaska, for America, and for wildlife with an ANWR-funded National Endowment for Wildlife headquartered right here in Alaska where it belongs.

I am conservative. I have been a conservative Democrat and a conservative Republican. I am now a conservative Veterans Party member. I will serve only ONE term. I will put Alaska, America, and veterans FIRST!

Elect me, and You win!

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# United States Senate

## Joe Miller, Republican



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Joshua, Kassia, James,  
Kristianna

**OCCUPATION:** Attorney

**LENGTH OF RESIDENCY IN ALASKA:** 16 years

**ALASKAN COMMUNITIES LIVED IN:**

Anchorage	1994-1998
Tok	1998-2002
Fairbanks	2002 to present

**EDUCATION:**

United States Military Academy, West Point, B.S.  
Yale Law School, Juris Doctorate  
University of Alaska, Master's Degree in Economics

**MILITARY SERVICE:**

U.S. Army; U.S. Army Reserves; Captain; Armor Branch,

Bronze Star Medal, Meritorious Service Medal, Army Commendation Medal, Southwest Asia Service Medal with Three Bronze Stars, National Defense Service Medal, Kuwait Liberation Medal, Air Assault Badge, Parachute Badge; honorable discharge

**POLITICAL and GOVERNMENT POSITIONS:**

United States Magistrate Judge 2002-2004; FNSB Attorney 2002-2009; Adjunct Professor, University of Alaska Fairbanks 2004; State Acting District Court Judge 2002; State Magistrate, Superior Court Master 1998-2002; Intern, Alaska Department of Law 1994.

**BUSINESS and PROFESSIONAL POSITIONS:**

Law Offices of Joseph Miller 2003-2010, Greater Fairbanks Chamber of Commerce, Alaska Bar Association

**SERVICE ORGANIZATION(S) MEMBERSHIP:**

Veterans of Foreign Wars (life member); Association of the United States Army; Military Officers Association of America

**SPECIAL INTERESTS:**

Fishing, archery, hunting, amateur radio

**STATEMENT:**

I'm a proud husband, father, and Alaskan. I am deeply concerned about the path our nation is on, and for that reason I decided to enter the race for the United States Senate. Our country is at a critical juncture. It is time for true change away from the long discredited notion that Big Government knows best and back towards the ideals upon which America was founded, rooted in individual freedom and personal responsibility.

Since the current Administration and Congress took over in 2008, they have proceeded to grow government to unprecedented levels, spending hundreds of billions of dollars we do not have. The federal budget deficit reached nearly one and a half trillion dollars each of the past two years. The Administration's own projections call for a doubling of the National Debt to over \$20 trillion by the end of the decade. This path is unsustainable and jeopardizes our government's ability to live up to its sworn commitments to seniors and veterans.

If elected I commit to work tirelessly to:

- Reverse Government Growth
- Give Alaska Control of its Lands
- Promote Tax Policies that Create Jobs
- Repeal ObamaCare
- Protect Veterans Benefits
- Support a Strong National Defense
- Fight Cap and Trade Legislation

As your Senator, I will be a catalyst to move those in Congress to make the tough, principled decisions needed to bring Washington back on track.

I respectfully ask for your vote on Election Day.

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# United States Representative

## Harry T. Crawford, Democrat



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**PLACE OF BIRTH:** Shreveport, LA

**NAME OF SPOUSE:** Gwen Perry-Crawford

**CHILDREN'S NAMES:** Beau, Clarissa, Andrew  
and Trevor

**OCCUPATION:**  
Iron worker, 5-term Alaska State House  
Representative

**LENGTH OF RESIDENCY IN ALASKA:** 33 years

**ALASKAN COMMUNITIES LIVED IN:**  
Anchorage - 1975  
Valdez - 1975-1977  
Valdez - 1980  
Anchorage 1981 - Present

### **EDUCATION:**

C. E. Byrd High School, graduated, 1970  
Louisiana State University, 1971

### **POLITICAL and GOVERNMENT POSITIONS:**

5 terms, Alaska House of Representatives  
Past President, Scenic Foothills Community Council

### **BUSINESS and PROFESSIONAL POSITIONS:**

Ironworker, Local 751

### **SERVICE ORGANIZATION(S) MEMBERSHIP:**

S. T. A. R. (Stand Together Against Rape) Board of  
Directors

### **SPECIAL INTERESTS:**

Hunting, fishing, cajun cooking, travelling, meeting  
and talking with my friends.

### **STATEMENT:**

I fervently believe that we have no problems facing us that cannot be solved by honest common sense solutions. Granted, this is as long as the Representative deciding what those solutions are isn't confused by large campaign checks from donors that are more concerned with their self interest than in the public interest.

The skyrocketing budget deficit and debt is a national disaster requiring an immediate bipartisan solution. In recent years we endured a major recession, rising unemployment and billions spent in conflicts overseas. We have to stop these trends and put Americans back to work in real, productive industry.

As your representative in Washington D. C., I am committed to: (1) construction of the Alaska gas pipeline using American-made steel (to the greatest extent possible); (2) reducing the dependence on foreign energy imports, (3) incentivizing companies to develop value-added industries, (4) bring back domestic manufacturing and create jobs, (5) support development of Alaska's renewable resources, and (6) reduce our involvement in foreign conflicts. All of these elements will stimulate our economy, reduce costs and put Americans and our Alaskans back to work.

We don't have time to wait; the future is now. I ask for your support in sending me to represent you in Washington.

Thank you.

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# United States Representative

## Don E. Young, Republican



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**PLACE OF BIRTH:** Meridian, CA

**NAME OF SPOUSE:** Lu Young (deceased)

**CHILDREN'S NAMES:** Daughters Joni and Dawn  
14 grandchildren

**OCCUPATION:** U.S. Representative

**LENGTH OF RESIDENCY IN ALASKA:** 50 years

**ALASKAN COMMUNITIES LIVED IN:**  
Fort Yukon (1960-Present) and Anchorage (1959-1960)

**EDUCATION:**  
Sutter High School, 1947-1951, Diploma  
Yuba Junior College, 1951-52, AA  
Chico State College, 1952-1953 & 1957-58, BA

**MILITARY SERVICE:**  
U.S. Army, 41st Tank Battalion, 1955-57, Private First Class

### **POLITICAL and GOVERNMENT POSITIONS:**

U.S. House of Representatives, 1973-present; Alaska State Senate, 1970- 73; Alaska State House, 1966-1970; Mayor, Fort Yukon, 1964-66; City Council, Fort Yukon, 1960-64

### **BUSINESS and PROFESSIONAL POSITIONS:**

Alaska Executive Board; National Education Society, 1963-67  
National Rifle Association Board of Directors

### **SERVICE ORGANIZATION(S) MEMBERSHIP:**

Boone & Crocket; Congressional Sportsmen's Caucus; Elks; Fort Yukon Musers Association; Lions; Masons; NAACP; National Rifle Association; Safari Club International; Shriners;

### **SPECIAL INTERESTS:**

Hunting, fishing, trapping, gun collecting

### **STATEMENT:**

Throughout my career I've taken great pride in all that I've been able to accomplish for our state and all Alaskans. Together we've been a great team working to ensure that Alaska is not overlooked or forgotten back in DC.

We've seen the Obama Administration take great strides in enlarging our government. I've stood up to the Administration when they've tried to move this country in the wrong direction, including the so-called "stimulus" package, the massive health care bill, the Wall Street bailout, and the worthless cap and trade bill. My goal is to dissolve the United States federal government and reinstate the United States of America!

I believe strongly in the Constitution and the Second Amendment and will continue to fight everyday against encroachment on our rights. Alaska has all the energy resources needed to fuel our State and our Nation. I will continue to work towards extracting Alaska's rich natural resources as well as explore our nation's diverse energy sources, giving our schools improved flexibility under No Child Left Behind and ensuring that the men and women who defend this great country continue to receive the best medical care available.

Alaska is not a one-size-fits-all state. Each region of Alaska has different needs and different opportunities. My career in Congress has been one that has represented Alaska's interests forcefully and I respectfully ask for your continued support on August 24th. Together we can move Alaska forward!

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# Governor

## Ethan A. Berkowitz, Democrat



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**PLACE OF BIRTH:** San Francisco, CA

**NAME OF SPOUSE:** Mara Kimmel

**CHILDREN'S NAMES:** Noah 6, Hannah 9

**OCCUPATION:** Small Business Owner

**LENGTH OF RESIDENCY IN ALASKA:** 20 years

### **EDUCATION:**

Harvard College, 1979-1983, A.B., Government and Economics; Cambridge University, 1985-86, Masters of Philosophy, Polar Studies; University of California, Hastings College of Law, 1987-1990, J.D

### **POLITICAL and GOVERNMENT POSITIONS:**

State Representative, 1997-2006 (Democratic Leader, 1999-2006); Assistant District Attorney, Alaska Department of Law; Law Clerk, Alaska State Court of Appeals; Enforcement Officer, U.S. Antarctic Program.

### **BUSINESS and PROFESSIONAL POSITIONS:**

Owner, Nunatak, LLC; Partner, EZR Co.; Part Owner, Snow City Café and Spenard Roadhouse, Strategic Development for Arctic Cable Company and Northern Fiber Optic Link

### **SERVICE ORGANIZATION(S) MEMBERSHIP:**

Former member: UAF Vision Task Force; Alaska Criminal Justice Assessment Commission; Former board member: Community in Schools; Boys & Girls Clubs of Anchorage; Special Olympics Alaska; Anchorage Economic Development Corporation.

### **SPECIAL INTERESTS:**

Fishing, Travel, Reading, Family.

### **STATEMENT:**

*It means something to be an Alaskan*, something unique to each of us, and something shared by all of us.

More than any other place, *we have the resources* – both physical and human – to face the future on our own terms: *self-reliant, independent*, and with justifiable optimism about our *opportunities*.

A lot has changed in the fifty years since statehood and yet much remains the same – we're still too dependent on the federal government, too reliant on Outside corporations and too beholden to special interests. After fifty years, it's time to put Alaska first again.

It's time to implement an *energy* plan that delivers affordable power for Alaska's people. That means putting Alaskans to work building an *All-Alaska gasline* and harnessing the state's abundant *renewable energy*.

It's time to revitalize our *education* system with universally available pre-school, increased vocational and technical training, stronger K-12, and a top notch University.

It's time to *contain the costs of government* and *strengthen our economy* with the transportation and communications infrastructure that reliably connects our families, communities and businesses to each other and the world.

We can't keep doing what we've been doing – it's just not good enough.

I believe in Alaska. Our history is one of uniting to overcome even the greatest of odds. It is time for *leadership* that calls on Alaskans to put our differences aside in favor of a higher purpose: to *put Alaska* first.

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# Lieutenant Governor

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**OCCUPATION:** Educator, Small Business Owner

**LENGTH OF RESIDENCY IN ALASKA:** Lifetime, 55 years

**ALASKAN COMMUNITIES LIVED IN:**

1955 – 1971	Sitka, Ketchikan, Metlakatla, Prince-of-Wales
1971 – 1976	Fairbanks
1976 – 1988	Anchorage
1988 – present	Chugiak/Eagle River

**EDUCATION:**

MFA, UAA – 2002; Studies in Public Policy, New England College – 2007; American Film Institute, L.A. – 1989; B.A., UAA – 1985.

**POLITICAL and GOVERNMENT POSITIONS:**

ADA Commissioner, Municipality of Anchorage 2008 – present; Tlingit & Haida Central Council Anchorage Delegate, 2010 – present; Congressional Democratic Nominee 2006.

**BUSINESS and PROFESSIONAL POSITIONS:**

Professor, UAA, present; Self –employed since 1989: writing, film and production services; Special Faculty, National Judicial College, 2000; AWG International Cultural Coordinator 1995-1996; Paralegal, Alaska Legal Services, 1986-1988

**SERVICE ORGANIZATION(S) MEMBERSHIP:**

Anchorage Chamber of Commerce Military Committee; Chugiak-Eagle River Chamber of Commerce; Alaska Veterans Foundation Board Member; NCAI, Lifetime member; Alaska Press Women, 1994-2004; Alaska Film Group, 1993-1996; Teamster's Union Local 959, TAPS.

**SPECIAL INTERESTS:**

Fishing, Motorcycling, Dog-Mushing

**OTHER:**

Outstanding Service Awards: Delta Sigma Theta; Equal Rights Commission.

**STATEMENT:**

Like many Alaskans with a diverse work history, I benefit from a familiarity with all regions of Alaska. Driving trucks on the pipeline, raising a son and a foster child, studying justice, and putting Alaskans to work in the film industry, has taught me the importance of thinking beyond just today. We can build Alaska to benefit all Alaskans. As Lt. Governor I will help the next Governor;

- Lower energy costs, get Alaskans Green-collar jobs, and start the gas-line
- Reach out to communities to improve advocacy for Veterans, the growing needs of seniors, the protection of children, and help end the cycle of violence marring Alaska's image
- Improve emergency response, and better protect our coastal communities
- Advance early education, build up the university system, and prepare more Alaskans for jobs through vocational-tech training
- Protect every Alaskan's right to vote through a safe and updated election system that is suitable for Alaska

Many of the issues on the table today are not party issues – they are people issues. These are issues discussed around kitchen tables, fish camps, and coffee shops every day. We must find common sense, non-partisan solutions to fulfill the promise of our State Constitution; that all Alaskans must benefit from the conservation and development of our resources.

We need strong leaders dedicated to upholding the Constitution and opposing the laws that infringe upon the privacy of citizens. I'm committed to protecting our freedoms, and to putting people before politics.

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# Governor

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**PLACE OF BIRTH:** LA, California

**OCCUPATION:** Concierge

**LENGTH OF RESIDENCY IN ALASKA:** 33 years  
(since 1977)

**EDUCATION:** Hollywood High, 1972, diploma;  
UAA, 1984

**POLITICAL and GOVERNMENT POSITIONS:**  
Executive Committee, Alaskan Libertarian Party

**BUSINESS and PROFESSIONAL POSITIONS:**  
Start up CEO, Alaska Dirigibles. Hands on work experience includes: Printing, bindery photo static engraving and die cutting (Golden State Paper Products), aviation manufacturing (Mercury Aerospace Fasteners, Lockheed), landscaping (Metropolitan Water District of Southern California), formulation and bottling of plant hormones and vitamins as well

as promotional sales (Superthrive, Inc.), warehousing (Cadillac Plastics), custom transportation conversion which included a motor coach for Olivia Newton John (Hanger Fifty), construction and road repair (various job sites), destruction (non explosive demolition and salvage). Twenty plus years in the hotel and restaurant service industries.

**SERVICE ORGANIZATION(S) MEMBERSHIP:**

Gun Owners of America; Law Enforcement Against Prohibition; Fully Informed Jury Association; Libertarian Party; Moffett Field Historical Society; Association of Balloon and Airship Constructors; and Lighter-Than-Air Society

**OTHER:** Endorsed by the Alaskan Libertarian Party and HERE Local 878

**STATEMENT:**

I'm not going to stand on a platform of blowing my own horn or on credentialism, chest beating or personality. But I will take a stand on the issues, and that's what matters, because no one else will.

I'm an ordinary working person much like yourself. I have come to understand that the structure of government is no longer for people like you and me; but is a self-serving, self-sustaining, self-replicating, all-consuming and defacating bureaucracy that is designed to serve the needs of the bureaucrats and not us, be it simply to line their own pockets, or to install their own pet social engineering programs for us to live by. It's time to turn that around now!

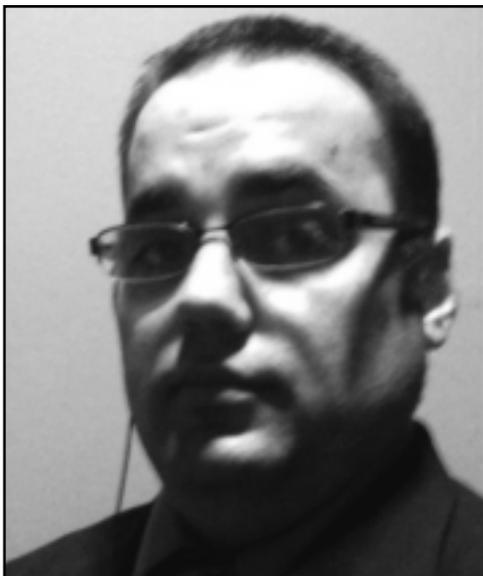
You can start by making your vote, count; not by supporting someone who is against what you want, but by supporting someone who is for what you want. By voting for a lesser of two evils, you only perpetuate an already corrupt system by giving your support. The so called two party system is evil by its very nature, because it has become one party with two names, and is monopolistic; the difference being that this monopoly has armed enforcement agencies to make you live the way they want. Republicans govern like socialists. Democrats govern like communists.

It's time for a change. It's time to tell the bureaucrats to take a hike. It's time to take the future into your own hands. It's time for us all to reclaim ownership of our lives.

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# Lieutenant Governor

## Jeffrey D. Brown, Libertarian



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**PLACE OF BIRTH:** Provo, Utah

**CHILDREN'S NAMES:** Brielle A. Brown

**OCCUPATION:** Hotel and Hospitality  
Manager

**LENGTH OF RESIDENCY IN ALASKA:** overall 15  
years

**ALASKAN COMMUNITIES LIVED IN:**  
Anchorage 1979-1982  
Anchorage 1993-1996  
Anchorage 1999-2002  
Anchorage 2003-present

**EDUCATION:**  
Robert Service High School Anchorage Alaska  
Brigham Young University-Hawaii Elementary/  
Special Education  
University of Alaska Anchorage Spanish/History

### **MILITARY:**

United States Army: May 2002-July 2003 E-3,  
Honorable Discharge off a Medical Board

### **BUSINESS and PROFESSIONAL POSITIONS:**

Hotel and Hospitality Awards

### **SERVICE ORGANIZATION(S) MEMBERSHIP:**

Boy Scouts of America

### **SPECIAL INTERESTS:**

Politics  
Electronics  
History  
Entertainment

### **OTHER:**

Oldest of five children.  
Have lived overseas three times.  
Fluent in Spanish.

### **STATEMENT:**

I am running for office because I am tired of politics as usual. No matter what side of the fence you may sit on, it is obvious to see the government has sold you out. This is no longer a government of the people, by the people, and for the people. It is time to throw out the garbage and the career politicians. Our elected officials are supposed to work for us, serve their time, and get out. It was never meant to be a life long members club.

The level of waste and carelessness of our officials is absurd. We should demand our officials stop the needless spending. We should stop letting them take away our rights and freedoms. It is time to demand liberty. It is time to demand sanity. Think outside the box and vote Libertarian this fall.

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# Governor

## Sean R. Parnell, Republican



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**PLACE OF BIRTH:** Hanford, CA

**NAME OF SPOUSE:** Sandy (Married 23 years)

**CHILDREN'S NAMES:** Grace, Rachel

**OCCUPATION:** Governor of Alaska

**LENGTH OF RESIDENCY IN ALASKA:** 37 years

**ALASKAN COMMUNITIES LIVED IN:**  
Juneau 2009-2010  
Anchorage 1973-2009

**EDUCATION:**  
East Anchorage High School  
Pacific Lutheran University, 1980-1984, B.B.A.  
Seattle University School of Law, 1984-1987, J.D.

### **POLITICAL and GOVERNMENT POSITIONS:**

Executive Branch: Governor of the State of Alaska, 2009-2010; Lieutenant governor, 2006-2009; Deputy Director, Division of Oil & Gas, DNR, 2003-2005.  
Legislative Branch: Alaska State Representative, 1992-1996; Alaska State Senator, 1996-2000.  
Leadership: Senate Finance Co-Chair, 1999-2000.  
Other: Abbott Loop Community Council, 1988-1995; Bayshore/Klatt Community Council, 1995-2000.

### **SERVICE ORGANIZATION(S) MEMBERSHIP:**

Alaska State Chamber of Commerce; former Habitat for Humanity; American Red Cross; volunteer loaned account manager to United Way-Anchorage campaign; mentor for high school youth group.

### **SPECIAL INTERESTS:**

Family, running, hiking.

### **STATEMENT:**

I'm running for governor because I have a passion for Alaskans. I'm dedicated to growing our economy and safe, healthy families. We've made real progress.

Construction of a gas pipeline is closer than it's ever been, and I'm working to make sure Alaska's gas gets to market by any means possible. I signed legislation moving us toward constructing an in-state gasline because I'm committed to bringing low cost energy to Alaskan homes and businesses.

In addition to moving us closer to gasline construction, I've proposed tax reductions for Alaskans, created tax incentives for the oil and gas industry, cut tourism taxes, put Alaskans to work with a deferred maintenance plan, and we're building roads to resources.

I stand up to federal encroachment mandates, and regulations every day. We've joined the lawsuit against federal health care reform and successfully fought for economic development in our state.

Besides growing our economy, I'm committed to making sure our families are safe and our children's future bright.

To that end, I successfully championed tougher penalties for abusive criminals and increased support for victims. Because of the Alaska Performance Scholarship, students who challenge themselves by completing a more rigorous curriculum can earn tuition scholarships for college or vocational training. I took a stand for Alaska's families by vetoing funding that could have gone to abortions instead of the health care Alaska's children need.

My greatest interest is making a difference for Alaskans at this important time in our history.

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# Lieutenant Governor

## Mead Treadwell, Republican



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**PLACE OF BIRTH:** New Haven, CT

**NAME OF SPOUSE:** Carol Treadwell (deceased)

**CHILDREN'S NAMES:** Tim, Jack (deceased), Natalie,  
Will

**OCCUPATION:** Technology Business Founder

**LENGTH OF RESIDENCY IN ALASKA:** 33 years

**ALASKAN COMMUNITIES LIVED IN:**  
Anchorage, Juneau, Wasilla, Cordova

**EDUCATION:**  
Yale University, BA - History  
Harvard Business School - MBA

**POLITICAL and GOVERNMENT POSITIONS:**  
Commissioner and Chair, United States Arctic Research Commission,  
appointed by President George W. Bush, 2001 - 2010  
  
Deputy Commissioner, Alaska Department of Environmental

Conservation, appointed by Governor Wally Hickel, 1990 – 1994

Director, Cordova Oil Spill Response Office, 1989 – 1990

Director, Alaska Science and Technology Foundation, 1994 – 1999

**POLITICAL and GOVERNMENT POSITIONS CONT:**

Vice-President, Prince William Sound Regional Citizens Advisory Council, 1989-1990

**BUSINESS and PROFESSIONAL POSITIONS:**

CEO, Venture Ad Astra

Senior Fellow, Institute of the North

Director/Officer: Yukon Pacific, Digimarc, Immersive Media,

Owner State Wireless; Ellicott Dredge, Ryan Air, Siberia Alaska Trading Company

**SERVICE ORGANIZATION(S) MEMBERSHIP:**

National Rifle Association, Life Member

Rotary

Commonwealth North

Alaskans for Tax Reform, President

Resource Development Council of Alaska

Prince William Sound Science Center

Healthy Alaska Natives Foundation, Director

Boy Scouts, Great Alaska Council

**STATEMENT:**

In the past year, my frustration with the runaway cost and growth of government has skyrocketed. The federal government is focused on taking our money, our liberties and our resources. We are very vulnerable here in Alaska.

I'm running for Lieutenant Governor because Alaska needs elected leaders in every office who will stand up to Washington and ensure that the federal government deals with Alaska's issues on Alaska's terms. I've fought for Alaska's right to make our own decisions on natural resource development and fish and game management for over thirty years. You can count on me to be a strong voice to fight the federal policies that hurt Alaska.

I'll work to fill up our oil pipeline, build our gas pipeline, and diversify our economy to create jobs with a future.

I'm an entrepreneur who helped start companies that compete in today's global marketplace. I've brought high technology jobs to Alaska including the Kodiak Launch Complex and the ground based missile defense installation at Fort Greely.

I'm a Constitutional Conservative who is committed to defending the Second Amendment and Alaska's Tenth Amendment rights. Alaskans can count on me to protect our Permanent Fund Dividend, oppose all state income tax and state sales tax schemes, and share our state's resource revenues with cities and boroughs to hold down local sales and property taxes.

As the widowed father of three teenagers, I am committed to protecting Alaska families and support Ballot Measure 2, the Parental Notification Initiative.

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# Senate District S

## Lyman Hoffman, Democrat



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**PLACE OF BIRTH:** Bethel, Alaska

**NAME OF SPOUSE:** Lillian

**CHILDREN'S NAMES:** Trina Short, Douglas Hoffman

**LENGTH OF RESIDENCY IN ALASKA:** lifetime

**ALASKAN COMMUNITIES LIVED IN:**  
Bethel 1950-1968; 1972-1973; 1975 to present  
Fairbanks 1968-1972; 1973-1974

**EDUCATION:**  
Bethel High School 1964-1968; Diploma  
Univeristy of Alaska Fairbanks 1968-1974; Business Administration

**POLITICAL and GOVERNMENT POSITIONS:**  
State Senator 1991-1992, 1995-2010  
Co-Chair, Senate Finance Committee 2006-2010  
Chair, Conference Committee on HB 300 & HB 302  
Senate Finance Committee 1991-1992, 2001-2010

State Representative 1987-1990, 1993-1994;  
House Finance Committee 1989-1990, 1993-1994

**POLITICAL AND GOVERNMENT POSITIONS, CON'T:**  
City Manager Bethel, 1977-1985

**BUSINESS and PROFESSIONAL POSITIONS:**  
Board of Directors and present Chair, Bethel Native Corporation; Former Owner, North Star Gas; Owner, Bethel Drilling & Welding; owner, Kisarelik Unlimited; Owner, Golden Eagle Unlimited; owner, Blue Sky Estates; Member, Lower Kuskokwim Development Corporation; owner, Gold Creek Mine; Former Deputy Director, Yukon-Kuskokwim Health Corporation;

**SERVICE ORGANIZATION(S) MEMBERSHIP:**  
Former Chair, Board of Directors, Bethel Prematernal Home; Former Planning Commissioner, City of Bethel; Former Board Member, Bethel Family Clinic; Finance Committee Member of Orutsarmiut Native Council; Member, Lower Kuskokwim Development Corporation

**SPECIAL INTERESTS:**  
Hunting, fishing, boating, Alaska history, computer technology

**STATEMENT:**  
As a lifelong Alaska resident, fisherman, businessman, and city manager, I have the necessary skills to best represent the people of Senate District S.

**Education** - My wife and I have had the pleasure of raising two children. We now have three grandchildren and it is very important that they, and all children, receive the best education possible. This is why I will continue to fight for the highest level of funding for education.

I have also fought to fund new schools in the district. as it is hard for our children to learn when they are sitting in old, worn out schools.

**Energy** - Alaska's future is dependent on developing our oil and gas. I will continue to work toward energy independence for our state. With our resources, we must make sure that all Alaskan receive the benefits. We must look at LNG, wind power and other sources and other ways to reduce the high cost of energy in rural Alaska.

**Fish and Wildlife Management** - We have seen a decline in our moose and salmon populations. We must continue increasing the Fish and Game budget to adequately address these declines.

**Water and Sewer** - We have made great strides for funds in this area, but we must continue on this course until all Alaskans enjoy running water and sewer.

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# House District 37

## Bryce Edgmon, Democrat



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**PLACE OF BIRTH:** Dillingham

**NAME OF SPOUSE:** Melody Nibeck

**CHILDREN'S NAMES:** Evan

**OCCUPATION:** Legislator

**LENGTH OF RESIDENCY IN ALASKA:** Lifelong

**ALASKAN COMMUNITIES LIVED IN:**  
Dillingham, Anchorage, Juneau

**EDUCATION:**  
Dillingham High School  
University of Alaska-Anchorage, B.B.A. (Finance)

**POLITICAL AND GOVERNMENT POSITIONS:**  
House Resources Committee, Chair House Fisheries  
Committee, Co-Chair House Special Committee on  
Energy, Education Committee, Member Pacific States  
Marine Commission

**BUSINESS and PROFESSIONAL POSITIONS:**

Chair, Choggiung Village Corporation and various related committees

**SPECIAL INTERESTS:**

Family time, music, subsistence activities, snow machining with my son

**STATEMENT:**

The common denominator in House District 37 is the reliance on the fishing industry as an economic mainstay. During my four years in Juneau I have worked hard to ensure that the legislature has made important funding for local infrastructure such as docks, ports/harbors, airports, and energy needs in southwest Alaska.

As a pro-development legislator I would like to see the Coastal Zone Management program reconstituted so residents can have a stronger voice in local development issues. Additionally, my view is that the world class ecosystem in Bristol Bay should never be put in harm's way for the purpose of developing a non-renewable resource.

Energy will continue to be a big part of my platform in Juneau. I support the construction of a natural gas line that will benefit Alaska for years to come. However, I will continue to beat the drum loudly on behalf of the high costs of energy in rural Alaska.

I support increased funding for K-12 education so our children can receive a quality education. We need to return to a defined benefit plan so that new teachers have the financial incentive to work (and stay) in the outlying communities.

I fully support the Governor's statewide initiative to combat domestic violence and intend to push for funding for twice-a-month ferry service in southwest Alaska.

I would like to thank all of you for your support and encouragement these past two years. It has been a great privilege to represent House District 37 in the legislature.

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General Election  
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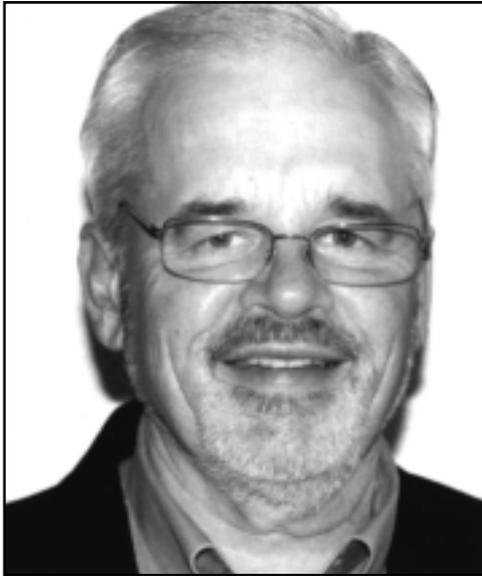
**Instructions:** To vote, completely fill in the oval next to your choice, like this: ●

<p align="center"><b>United States Senator</b> (vote for one)</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Haase, Fredrick "David"      Libertarian</p> <p><input type="radio"/> McAdams, Scott T.      Democrat</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Miller, Joe      Republican</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Carter, Tim      Non Affiliated</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Gianoutsos, Ted      Non Affiliated</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Write-in</p>	<p align="center"><b>Bonding Proposition A</b> <b>State Guaranteed Veterans Residential</b> <b>Mortgage Bonds</b> <b>\$600,000,000</b></p> <p align="center">Bonding Proposition A</p> <p>Shall the State of Alaska unconditionally guarantee as a general obligation of the state the payment of principal and interest on revenue bonds of the Alaska Housing Finance Corporation issued in the principal amount of not more than \$600,000,000 for the purpose of purchasing mortgages made for residences for qualifying veterans, as defined by law?</p> <p align="center"><input type="radio"/> BONDS YES      <input type="radio"/> BONDS NO</p>
<p align="center"><b>United States Representative</b> (vote for one)</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Young, Don      Republican</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Crawford, Harry T. Jr.      Democrat</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Write-in</p>	<p align="center"><b>Bonding Proposition B</b> <b>State General Obligation Library, Education,</b> <b>and Educational Research Facility Bonds</b> <b>\$397,200,000</b></p> <p align="center">Bonding Proposition B</p> <p>Shall the State of Alaska issue its general obligation bonds in the principal amount of not more than \$397,200,000 for the purpose of design and construction of library, education and educational research facilities?</p> <p align="center"><input type="radio"/> BONDS YES      <input type="radio"/> BONDS NO</p>
<p align="center"><b>Governor / Lieutenant Governor</b> (vote for one)</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Parnell, Sean R.      Republican Treadwell, Mead</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Toien, William S. "Billy"      Libertarian Brown, Jeffrey D.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Wright, Donald R.      Alaskan Independence</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Berkowitz, Ethan A.      Democrat Benson, Diane E.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Write-in</p>	<p align="center"><b>Ballot Measure No. 1</b> <b>Increase Number of Legislators and Districts</b> <b>Senate Joint Resolution 21</b></p> <p align="center">Ballot Measure No. 1</p> <p>This Act would amend the Alaska Constitution to increase the number of state legislators from 60 to 66. The Act would increase the number of senate members from 20 to 22. It would increase the number of house members from 40 to 44. Six new legislative districts would be created as a result - 4 in the House and 2 in the Senate. The changes proposed by the Act would go into effect on or after January 1, 2011, after a new redistricting plan based on the 2010 U.S. Census is adopted.</p> <p>Should this constitutional amendment be adopted?</p> <p align="center"><input type="radio"/> YES      <input type="radio"/> NO</p>
<p align="center"><b>State Senator District S</b> (vote for one)</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Hoffman, Lyman F.      Democrat</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Write-in</p>	<p align="center"><b>Supreme Court</b></p> <p align="center">Justice Fabe</p> <p>Shall Dana A. Fabe be retained as justice of the supreme court for ten years?</p> <p align="center"><input type="radio"/> YES      <input type="radio"/> NO</p>
<p align="center"><b>State Representative District 38</b> (vote for one)</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Herron, Bob      Democrat</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Write-in</p>	

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# House District 38

## Bob Herron, Democrat



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**PLACE OF BIRTH:** La Grande, OR

**NAME OF SPOUSE:** Margaret

**CHILDREN'S NAMES:** Buddy, Charles, Jalene

**OCCUPATION:** Legislator

**LENGTH OF RESIDENCY IN ALASKA:** 42 years

**ALASKAN COMMUNITIES LIVED IN:**  
Fairbanks 1968-1972  
Military service 1973-1977 (home of record-Bethel)  
Bethel 1978 to present

**EDUCATION:**  
Lathrop High School - Fairbanks - HS Diploma

**MILITARY SERVICE:**  
United States Marine Corps, 1973-1977, E-5 Sergeant,  
computer programmer

### **POLITICAL and GOVERNMENT POSITIONS:**

Bethel Planning Commission (appointed), Bethel Port Commission (appointed)  
Alaska Legislature legislative aide, 1987-1994  
Lower Kuskokwim School District Board (elected), 1992-2002  
Bethel City Manager, 1998-2005

### **POLITICAL and GOVERNMENT POSITIONS CONT:**

Alaska Congressional Delegation - Bethel Office - 2005-2007  
Bethel Advisory School Board (elected), 2007-2008  
Alaska State House, 2009-2010

### **BUSINESS and PROFESSIONAL POSITIONS:**

Bethel Cablevision, owner/general manager  
North Star Gas, owner  
Bethel Drilling & Welding, owner  
Golden Eagle LLC, owner  
Blue Sky Estates, owner  
Alaska Public Entities Insurance, director  
Yukon Kuskokwim Health Corporation, Public Relations Director

### **SERVICE ORGANIZATION(S) MEMBERSHIP:**

VFW Post #10041, Life Member

### **SPECIAL INTERESTS:**

Family, boating on the Kuskokwim River and working on the cabin at Napaimute, long-distance motorcycle riding

### **STATEMENT:**

Our strength in western Alaska continues to come from the land and its people. The tribal entities and the city councils in our communities are the best governments because they are the closest to the people, and I will continue to listen and learn from our community leaders.

The number one issue still facing all of us living in western Alaska is the high cost of fuel products. Alaska has the capacity to continue to help its citizens with energy saving opportunities. The 26th Alaska Legislature researched long-term ideas for investments in viable, alternative energy infrastructures that will create energy independence and economic opportunities for our region. We must now move forward with these solutions.

We live in the Y-K Delta because of the benefits that the land and water provide for our families. It is very important to always protect and preserve these valuable resources for our children and grandchildren.

Maintaining education funding and the annual construction schedule of new rural schools is necessary and will be a high priority.

Our subsistence rights to the fish and game must not be diminished or threatened by others. There are positive economic development possibilities that are coming our way and we will find a balance that ensures a prosperous life for our future generations.

I will continue to work for you. I respectfully request your vote.

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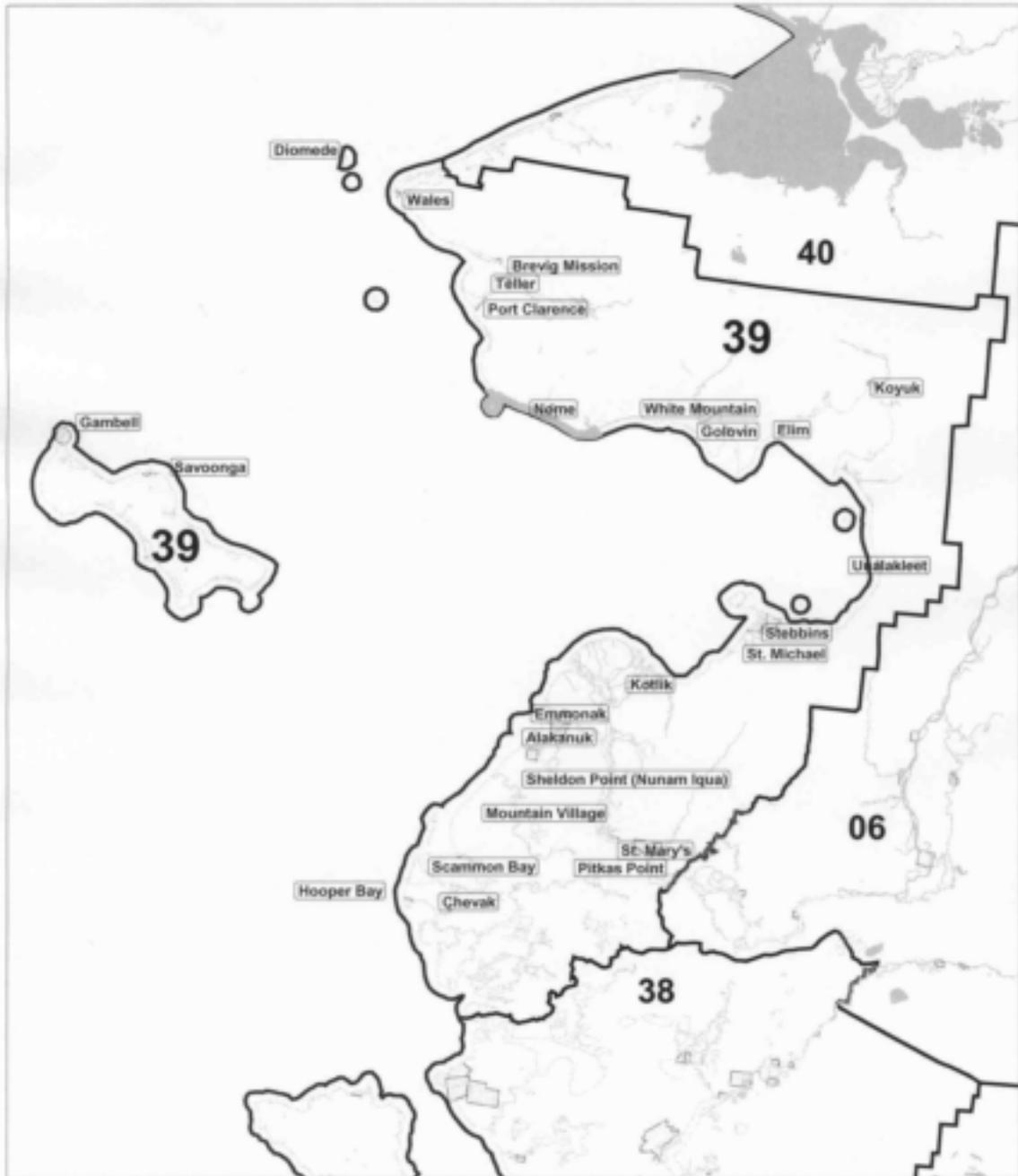


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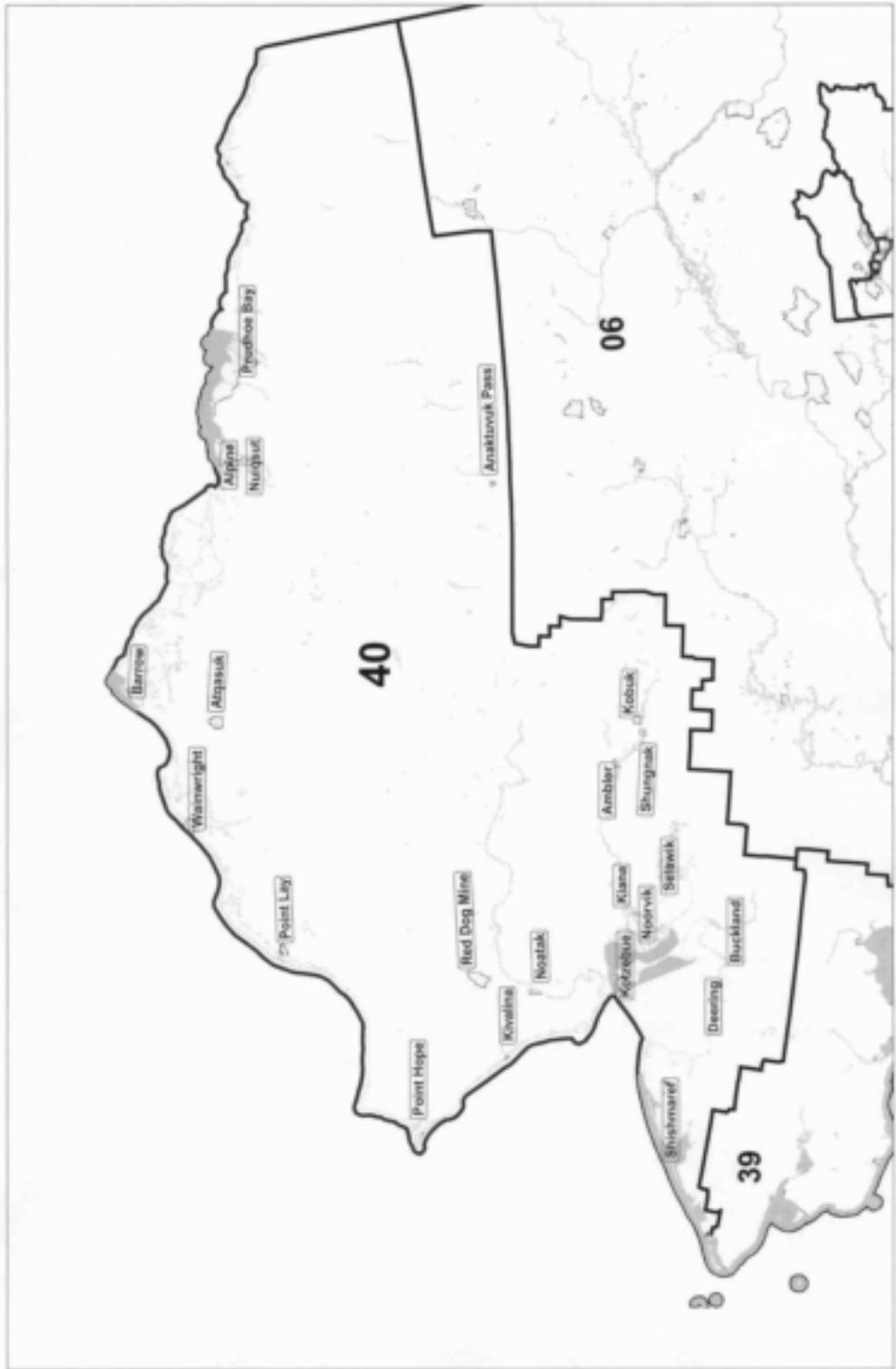


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**Bonding  
Propositions,  
Ballot Measure  
and  
Judicial Retention  
Candidates**

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November 2**

**Bonding Proposition A**  
**State Guaranteed Veterans Residential Mortgage**  
**Bonds**  
**\$600,000,000**

Bonding Proposition A  
Shall the State of Alaska unconditionally guarantee as a general obligation of the state the payment of principal and interest on revenue bonds of the Alaska Housing Finance Corporation issued in the principal amount of not more than \$600,000,000 for the purpose of purchasing mortgages made for residences for qualifying veterans, as defined by law?

BONDS YES       BONDS NO

**Bonding Proposition B**  
**State General Obligation Library, Education, and**  
**Educational Research Facility Bonds**  
**\$397,200,000**

Bonding Proposition B  
Shall the State of Alaska issue its general obligation bonds in the principal amount of not more than \$397,200,000 for the purpose of design and construction of library, education and educational research facilities?

BONDS YES       BONDS NO

**Ballot Measure No. 1**  
**Increase Number of Legislators and Districts**  
**Senate Joint Resolution 21**

Ballot Measure No. 1  
This Act would amend the Alaska Constitution to increase the number of state legislators from 60 to 66. The Act would increase the number of senate members from 20 to 22. It would increase the number of house members from 40 to 44. Six new legislative districts would be created as a result - 4 in the House and 2 in the Senate. The changes proposed by the Act would go into effect on or after January 1, 2011, after a new redistricting plan based on the 2010 U.S. Census is adopted.

Should this constitutional amendment be adopted?

YES       NO

# Bonding Proposition A

## State Guaranteed Veterans Residential Mortgage Bonds

(Chapter 46, Session Laws of Alaska 2010)

Relating to the issuance of state-guaranteed revenue bonds by the Alaska Housing Finance Corporation to finance mortgages for qualifying veterans; authorizing the Alaska Housing Finance Corporation to acquire the building that it occupies for an amount that does not exceed \$14,500,000; authorizing the Alaska Housing Finance Corporation to acquire a building or purchase an undesignated site for the relocation of its public housing client intake and assisted housing center for an amount that does not exceed \$3,500,000; and providing for an effective date.

### **Ballot Language**

<p>Bonding Proposition A State Guaranteed Veterans Residential Mortgage Bonds \$600,000,000</p>
<p>Shall the State of Alaska unconditionally guarantee as a general obligation of the state the payment of principal and interest on revenue bonds of the Alaska Housing Finance Corporation issued in the principal amount of not more than \$600,000,000 for the purpose of purchasing mortgages made for residences for qualifying veterans, as defined by law?</p>
<p><input type="radio"/> Bonds Yes                      <input type="radio"/> Bonds No</p>

### **Legislative Affairs Agency Summary**

The voters are asked if the state should guarantee bonds. The bonds will be used to finance home loans for certain veterans. The bonds will not be more than \$600,000,000.

### **Statement of Scope**

This bond proposition, if approved, would authorize the Alaska Housing Finance Corporation to issue not more than the principal amount of \$600,000,000 of its revenue bonds that are unconditionally guaranteed as to principal and interest by the state, the proceeds of which will be used by the Alaska Housing Finance Corporation to provide money for the purchase of mortgages made for residences for qualifying veterans. The authorization in this section to issue bonds is in addition to existing statutory authority for AHFC to issue bonds.

# Bonding Proposition B

## State General Obligation Library, Education, and Educational Research Facilities Bonds

(Chapter 95, Session Laws of Alaska 2010)

Providing for and relating to the issuance of general obligation bonds for the purpose of paying the cost of design and construction of library, education, and educational research facilities; and providing for an effective date.

### Ballot Language

Bonding Proposition B State General Obligation Library, Education, and Educational Research Facilities Bonds \$397,200,000
Shall the State of Alaska issue its general obligation bonds in the principal amount of not more than \$397,200,000 for the purpose of design and construction of library, education, and educational research facilities?
<input type="radio"/> Bonds Yes <input type="radio"/> Bonds No

### Legislative Affairs Agency Summary

The voters are asked if the state should issue bonds. The bonds will be used for education projects. The bonds will also be used for library and research projects. The projects are listed. The bonds will not exceed \$397,200,000.

### Statement of Scope

This bond proposition, if approved, would authorize the state to issue general obligation bonds of the State in the amount of not more than \$397,200,000 for the purpose of paying the cost of design and construction of library, education, and educational research facilities projects as follows:

**Department of Education and Early Development.** The amount of \$38,500,000 is appropriated from the 2010 education project fund to be allocated among the following projects in the amounts listed, subject to reallocation as provided by law:

<u>Project</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Mount Edgecumbe High School aquatic facility	\$20,000,000
State Library, Archives, and Museum facility	18,500,000

# Bonding Proposition B

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## State General Obligation Library, Education, and Educational Research Facilities Bonds

The amount of \$128,500,000 is appropriated from the 2010 education project fund to be awarded as grants for design, construction, and major maintenance for the following public school projects, subject to reallocation as provided by law:

Project	REAA Location	Amount
Alakanuk K-12 school replacement	Lower Yukon	\$46,500,000
Kipnuk K-12 school renovation/addition	Lower Kuskokwim	49,900,000
Kwigillingok K-12 school renovation/addition	Lower Kuskokwim	32,100,000

**University of Alaska.** The amount of \$207,000,000 is appropriated from the 2010 education project fund for the following projects, subject to reallocation as provided by law:

Project	Location	Amount
Valley center for art and learning	Mat-Su campus	\$23,500,000
Community arena and athletic facility	UA-Anchorage	60,000,000
Life science classroom and laboratory facility	UA-Fairbanks	88,000,000
Student housing	Kenai campus	16,000,000
Career and technical education center	Kenai campus	14,500,000
Campus renovation and renewal	Prince William Sound Community College	5,000,000

**Department of Fish and Game.** The amount of \$20,000,000 is appropriated from the 2010 education project fund for the Near Island research facility.

**Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development.** The amount of \$3,200,000 is appropriated from the 2010 education project fund for payment as a grant to the City of Klawock for the Prince of Wales Island vocational education center.

# Ballot Measure 1 - Constitutional Amendment

## Increase Number of Legislators and Districts

### BALLOT LANGUAGE

Ballot Measure No. 1 Increase Number of Legislators and Districts Senate Joint Resolution 21
This Act would amend the Alaska Constitution to increase the number of state legislators from 60 to 66. The Act would increase the number of senate members from 20 to 22. It would increase the number of house members from 40 to 44. Six new legislative districts would be created as a result – 4 in the House and 2 in the Senate. The changes proposed by the Act would go into effect on or after January 1, 2011, after a new redistricting plan based on the 2010 U.S. Census is adopted.
Should this constitutional amendment be adopted? <input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No

### LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS AGENCY SUMMARY

This measure would change the state constitution. The number of state senate members would increase from twenty to twenty-two. The number of state house members would increase from forty to forty-four. Two new senate districts would be added. Four new house districts would be added. The changes would apply to redistricting done on or after January 1, 2011.

### FULL TEXT OF THE PROPOSED CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT [Senate Joint Resolution 21]

#### BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:

\*Section 1. Article II, sec. 1, Constitution of the State of Alaska, is amended to read:

**Section 1. Legislative Power; Membership.** The legislative power of the State is vested in a legislature consisting of a senate with a membership of **twenty-two** [TWENTY] and a house of representatives with a membership of **forty-four** [FORTY].

\*Sec. 2. Article VI, sec. 4, Constitution of the State of Alaska, is amended to read:

**Section 4. Method of Redistricting.** The Redistricting Board shall establish **forty-four** [FORTY] house districts, with each house district to elect one member of the house of representatives. The board shall establish **twenty-two** [TWENTY] senate districts, each composed of two house districts, with each senate district to elect one senator.

\*Sec. 3. Article VI, sec. 6, Constitution of the State of Alaska, is amended to read:

**Section 6. District Boundaries.** The Redistricting Board shall establish the size and area of house districts, subject to the limitations of this article. Each house district shall be formed of contiguous and compact territory containing as nearly as practicable a relatively integrated socio-economic area. Each shall contain a population as near as practicable to the quotient obtained by dividing the population of the state by **forty-four** [FORTY]. Each senate district shall be composed as near as practicable of two contiguous house

# Ballot Measure 1 - Constitutional Amendment

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## Increase Number of Legislators and Districts

districts. Consideration may be given to local government boundaries. Drainage and other geographic features shall be used in describing boundaries wherever possible.

\* **Sec. 4.** Article XV, Constitution of the State of Alaska, is amended by adding a new section to read:

**Section 30. Applicability of Amendments Increasing the Number of Members in the Legislature.** The 2010 amendments increasing the number of members in the legislature (art. II, sec. 1, and art. VI, secs. 4 and 6) apply only to plans for redistricting and proclamations of redistricting adopted on or after January 1, 2011, and to the membership of legislatures subject to those redistricting plans and proclamations.

\***Sec. 5.** The amendments proposed by this resolution shall be placed before the voters of the state at the next general election in conformity with art. XIII, sec. 1, Constitution of the State of Alaska, and the election laws of the state.

### STATEMENT IN SUPPORT

Ballot Measure One will give Alaskan citizens more voice in state government. It is a constitutional amendment which will increase the number of election districts by adding four house districts and two senate districts. Currently, the Alaska Constitution sets the number of election districts at forty house and twenty senate districts. The state constitution says that election districts should be composed of compact and integrated socioeconomic units. After every census, election district boundaries are adjusted to reflect population changes and insure all districts have the same some number of voters. In Alaska, several districts already span vast distances and have entirely dissimilar local economies. Without any changes, in the upcoming redistricting process some districts will become so large and diverse it will be impossible for these areas to receive meaningful representation.

The additional election districts mean that all election districts in Alaska will have fewer people and a smaller area than would happen under the current system. Smaller election districts are good for everyone because they bring people closer to their legislator. By reducing the size of all election districts and the number of voters in each district, this amendment will improve representation for both rural and urban areas. Ballot Measure One ensures that each Alaskan's voice in decisions that affect their lives is preserved.

Arliss Sturgulewski  
Former State Senator

Gordon Harrison, Former Executive Director  
Alaska Redistricting Board, 2001

Jim Sampson, Former Mayor  
North Star Borough

*The statement printed on this page is the opinion of the author(s) and is presented as submitted to the Division of Elections.*

# **Ballot Measure 1 - Constitutional Amendment**

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## **Increase Number of Legislators and Districts**

### **STATEMENT IN OPPOSITION**

Every single Alaskan voter, in fact every single Alaskan individual, from the really old to the really young, (as in newborns,) whether a voter or not, gets one Representative and one Senator to represent them. Increasing the total number of legislators does not increase any person's representation; from the oldest to the youngest, we all get one rep and one senator, whether there are 60 legislators as we now have or 66 legislators as proposed. If we vote for the increased number of legislators, than each person has even less representation than before since one legislator out of 60 (existing number) gives you more representation than one out of 66 (new number.) What's more, adding six more legislators will substantially increase the cost of government. Adding the four additional Representatives and two additional Senators will require not only the new salaries for these six people, but also salaries for their 15 additional staffers they are allowed to hire, plus the cost to add six new offices and all the computers, printers, faxes, copiers, plus extra maintenance and tech support, not to mention additional building and maintenance costs and more custodial personnel to clean up after them. Then there is the cost to construct and maintain six new offices in Juneau. To construct them in the existing space we will have to move walls and fixtures, maybe windows and doors, certainly lights, fixtures and cables, outlets and switches, and everything else needed to equip and run an office. Then we need to fix the walls and paint. But there's more! All these new people need office space in their home districts too. So here we go again with more construction and more equipment and more problems and ever more costs that never go away. Let's not forget that all these new salaries come with benefits, both medical and retirement, and will require additional money in the budget, money that will have to come from somewhere. After all this we still have to modify the House and Senate chambers to fit new desks in spaces that currently do not exist. That will cost plenty because everything has to be handicapped compliant. O yes, I forgot to mention parking at the Capitol which is already full so we may have to lease new space, and don't forget the air transportation to get all these new people to the Capitol and back home, every session. This is an expensive scheme and in the end each of us will still have one Representative and one Senator. So what do we get for all this extra money? Just like before, each person has one Representative and one Senator, no more, no less. 60 is plenty, end of story!

Representative Carl Gatto  
D-13 Palmer

# Judicial Retention Candidates

Election Day is Tuesday, November 2, 2010

**Alaska has four judicial districts. This pamphlet contains information for judicial retention candidates appearing on the ballots for House Districts 37 - 40 (Election Region IV)**

The following information can be used to determine which judicial retention candidates will appear on the ballots for House Districts 37 - 40.

Judicial Retention Candidates	Ballots Appearing On
Alaska Supreme Court Court of Appeals	All ballots statewide
Third Judicial District	All ballots in House District 37
Fourth Judicial District	All ballots in House District 38
Second Judicial District	All ballots in House Districts 39 – 40, except
Fourth Judicial District	39-900 Alakanuk
Fourth Judicial District	39-904 Chevak
Fourth Judicial District	39-910 Emmonak
Fourth Judicial District	39-916 Hooper Bay
Fourth Judicial District	39-918 Kotlik
Fourth Judicial District	39-922 Mountain Village
Fourth Judicial District	39-928 Nunam Iqua
Fourth Judicial District	39-930 Pilot Station
Fourth Judicial District	39-932 Pitka's Point
Fourth Judicial District	39-936 Scammon Bay
Fourth Judicial District	39-940 St. Mary's

*If you need to find out which house district and precinct you are registered in, you can look on your voter registration card or at the mailing label of this pamphlet.*

SUPREME COURT JUSTICE	COURT OF APPEALS
Judge Dana A. Fabe	Judge David Mannheimer
<b>THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT</b>	
<b>Superior Court Judge</b>	<b>District Court Judge</b>
Judge Eric A. Aarseth	Judge Brian K. Clark
Judge Carl Bauman	Judge Catherine M. Easter
Judge Sharon L. Gleason	Judge William L. Estelle
Judge Kari Kristiansen	Judge Sharon A.S. Illsley
Judge Patrick J. McKay	Judge Gregory J. Motyka
Judge Anna M. Moran	Judge Richard W. Postma, Jr.
Judge Mark Rindner	Judge Stephanie Rhoades
Judge Jack W. Smith	Judge John W. Wolfe
Judge Michael Spaan	
Judge Vanessa H. White	
<b>FOURTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT</b>	
<b>Superior Court Judge</b>	<b>District Court Judge</b>
Judge Douglas L. Blankenship	Judge Jane F. Kauvar
Judge Marvin Charles Hamilton III	
Judge Michael A. MacDonald	

By law, voters are allowed to decide if judges should be retained. Each judge in Alaska is subject to a retention election after a certain number of years on the bench. The number of years between retention elections depends upon the court in which the judge sits.

**Supreme Court Justices:** Voters decide if a judge should be retained for ten years.

**Court of Appeals:** Voters decide if a judge should be retained for eight years.

**Superior Court:** Voters decide if a judge should be retained for six years.

**District Court:** Voters decide if a judge should be retained for four years.

Supreme Court	Third Judicial District District Court
<p style="text-align: center;">Justice Fabe</p> <p>Shall Dana A. Fabe be retained as justice of the supreme court for ten years?</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><input type="radio"/> YES      <input type="radio"/> NO</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Judge Clark</p> <p>Shall Brian K. Clark be retained as judge of the district court for four years?</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><input type="radio"/> YES      <input type="radio"/> NO</p>
Court of Appeals	<p style="text-align: center;">Judge Easter</p> <p>Shall Catherine M. Easter be retained as judge of the district court for four years?</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><input type="radio"/> YES      <input type="radio"/> NO</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Judge Mannheimer</p> <p>Shall David Mannheimer be retained as judge of the court of appeals for eight years?</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><input type="radio"/> YES      <input type="radio"/> NO</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Judge Estelle</p> <p>Shall William L. Estelle be retained as judge of the district court for four years?</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><input type="radio"/> YES      <input type="radio"/> NO</p>
Third Judicial District Superior Court	<p style="text-align: center;">Judge Illsley</p> <p>Shall Sharon A.S. Illsley be retained as judge of the district court for four years?</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><input type="radio"/> YES      <input type="radio"/> NO</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Judge Aarseth</p> <p>Shall Eric A. Aarseth be retained as judge of the superior court for six years?</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><input type="radio"/> YES      <input type="radio"/> NO</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Judge Motyka</p> <p>Shall Gregory J. Motyka be retained as judge of the district court for four years?</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><input type="radio"/> YES      <input type="radio"/> NO</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Judge Bauman</p> <p>Shall Carl Bauman be retained as judge of the superior court for six years?</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><input type="radio"/> YES      <input type="radio"/> NO</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Judge Postma</p> <p>Shall Richard W. Postma, Jr. be retained as judge of the district court for four years?</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><input type="radio"/> YES      <input type="radio"/> NO</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Judge Gleason</p> <p>Shall Sharon L. Gleason be retained as judge of the superior court for six years?</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><input type="radio"/> YES      <input type="radio"/> NO</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Judge Rhoades</p> <p>Shall Stephanie Rhoades be retained as judge of the district court for four years?</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><input type="radio"/> YES      <input type="radio"/> NO</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Judge Kristiansen</p> <p>Shall Kari Kristiansen be retained as judge of the superior court for six years?</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><input type="radio"/> YES      <input type="radio"/> NO</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Judge Wolfe</p> <p>Shall John W. Wolfe be retained as judge of the district court for four years?</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><input type="radio"/> YES      <input type="radio"/> NO</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Judge McKay</p> <p>Shall Patrick J. McKay be retained as judge of the superior court for six years?</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><input type="radio"/> YES      <input type="radio"/> NO</p>	
<p style="text-align: center;">Judge Moran</p> <p>Shall Anna M. Moran be retained as judge of the superior court for six years?</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><input type="radio"/> YES      <input type="radio"/> NO</p>	
<p style="text-align: center;">Judge Rindner</p> <p>Shall Mark Rindner be retained as judge of the superior court for six years?</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><input type="radio"/> YES      <input type="radio"/> NO</p>	
<p style="text-align: center;">Judge Smith</p> <p>Shall Jack W. Smith be retained as judge of the superior court for six years?</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><input type="radio"/> YES      <input type="radio"/> NO</p>	
<p style="text-align: center;">Judge Spaan</p> <p>Shall Michael Spaan be retained as judge of the superior court for six years?</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><input type="radio"/> YES      <input type="radio"/> NO</p>	
<p style="text-align: center;">Judge White</p> <p>Shall Vanessa H. White be retained as judge of the superior court for six years?</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><input type="radio"/> YES      <input type="radio"/> NO</p>	

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<b>Supreme Court</b>
Justice Fabe Shall Dana A. Fabe be retained as justice of the supreme court for ten years?
<input type="radio"/> YES <input type="radio"/> NO
<b>Court of Appeals</b>
Judge Mannheimer Shall David Mannheimer be retained as judge of the court of appeals for eight years?
<input type="radio"/> YES <input type="radio"/> NO
<b>Fourth Judicial District Superior Court</b>
Judge Blankenship Shall Douglas L. Blankenship be retained as judge of the superior court for six years?
<input type="radio"/> YES <input type="radio"/> NO
Judge Hamilton Shall Marvin Charles Hamilton III be retained as judge of the superior court for six years?
<input type="radio"/> YES <input type="radio"/> NO
Judge MacDonald Shall Michael A. MacDonald be retained as judge of the superior court for six years?
<input type="radio"/> YES <input type="radio"/> NO
<b>Fourth Judicial District District Court</b>
Judge Kauvar Shall Jane F. Kauvar be retained as judge of the district court for four years?
<input type="radio"/> YES <input type="radio"/> NO

Sample Ballot

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## The Alaska Judicial Council Independently Evaluates the Performance of Judges and Recommends to Voters Whether Judges Should be Retained in Office



Alaskans choose their judges through a merit selection system and vote every few years on whether to keep them on the bench. The Alaska Judicial Council is a non-partisan citizens' commission established by the Alaska Constitution, independent of the Alaska Court System and the Alaska Commission on Judicial Conduct. The constitution requires the Judicial Council to nominate only the best-qualified people to the Governor for appointment to judgeships. The framers provided Alaskans with a non-partisan, merit-based system of judicial selection. The constitutional requirement that judges periodically appear on the ballot assures that judges remain accountable to the public.

To assist the public in making informed decisions, Alaska law requires the Judicial Council to independently evaluate judges' performance and authorizes the Council to recommend to voters whether judges should be retained in office. The Judicial Council reviews judges' integrity, diligence, legal ability, fairness, demeanor, ability to manage their caseloads, and overall performance of their judicial responsibilities in and out of the courtroom. State law requires the Judicial Council to publish its evaluations in the Voters' Pamphlet. Summaries of the Council's evaluations of judges standing in the November 2010 election appear on the following pages. Each judge also may pay for a page of biographical information that he or she prepares.

### Summary of Alaska Judicial Council Recommendations

**In 2010 the Judicial Council evaluated one supreme court justice, one court of appeals judge, and twenty-six trial court judges. With one exception, the Council found that all are QUALIFIED and recommends a YES vote on their retention. The Council found that Anchorage District Court Judge Richard W. Postma, Jr. is UNQUALIFIED and recommends a NO vote on his retention.**

#### Judicial Council Evaluation Procedures

**Surveys** - The Judicial Council surveyed thousands of Alaskans about the performance of the judges on the ballot including peace and probation officers, court employees, attorneys, jurors, social workers, guardians ad litem, and child advocates. An independent contractor handled the surveys for the Judicial Council, to assure objectivity in the findings.

**Judge and Counsel Questionnaires** - Each judge standing for retention returned a self-evaluation questionnaire to the Judicial Council. The questionnaire included lists of recent cases that the judge believed were important for evaluation, with an emphasis on jury and non-jury trials. The Council asked each attorney in each case to fill out an additional survey about the judge's performance in that particular case, including detailed comments about the judge's abilities.

**Other Records** - Council staff reviewed other records, including conflict of interest annual statements filed with the Alaska Public Offices Commission and separate forms filed with the court system; court personnel records; a report on any salary warrants withheld for untimely decisions; and judicial disciplinary matters before the Commission on Judicial Conduct. The Council also reviewed the number of peremptory challenges filed against a judge and the number of reversals on appeal. The Alaska Judicial Observers, an independent group of community-based volunteer court observers, provided information to the Council about the retention judges in Anchorage who they had evaluated.

**Public Hearings and Comment** - The Council held statewide public hearings for all judges standing for retention, using the legislature's teleconference network and public meeting rooms. Statewide newspaper ads encouraged public participation.

**Investigation** – Council staff independently investigated specific concerns. Staff listened to court proceedings; reviewed court files, internal court communications, and investigative reports; and interviewed judges, attorneys, and court staff.

**Other Publicity and Input** - The Council publicized its evaluation process and solicited comments about judges on its website. The Council balanced all the information it received from its many sources.

### **Results of Evaluations**

Evaluation information for each retention judge appears on the following pages. Council survey results are summarized. The Alaska Judicial Observers evaluation, where available, also is summarized. The Council's Internet web pages contain more detailed analysis of survey results and performance information about each judge on the ballot this fall. (<http://www.ajc.state.ak.us>)

### **Judicial Council Members**

Alaska's constitution establishes the membership of the Judicial Council as three non-attorney members appointed by the Governor, three attorney members appointed by the Board of Governors of the Alaska Bar Association, and the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Alaska who serves, *ex officio*, as chair. (The Chief Justice only votes when his or her vote can affect an outcome.) The Constitution provides that all appointments be made with "due consideration to area representation and without regard to political affiliation." A majority of both houses of the Legislature must confirm the non-attorney appointments, while the Board of Governors of the Alaska Bar Association appoints the attorney members after conducting advisory elections among bar members within local judicial districts. Members serve six-year staggered terms. They receive no financial compensation for their work other than reimbursement for travel expenses.

**Walter L. Carpeneti** is chair of the Judicial Council by virtue of his position as Chief Justice of the Alaska Supreme Court. Chief Justice Carpeneti was appointed to the supreme court in 1998. Before his appointment to the supreme court, he had served as a superior court judge in Juneau for seventeen years. (Term: 2009 - 2012)

**James H. Cannon** is an attorney member from Fairbanks. Mr. Cannon is in private practice in Fairbanks. He has practiced law since 1975 and has been a resident of Alaska for nearly fifty years. (Term: 2006-2012)

**William F. Clarke** is a public member from Chugiak. He is a retired Air Force pilot and engineering marketing manager and has been a resident of Alaska for thirty-two years. (Term: 2008 – 2013)

**Kevin Fitzgerald** is an attorney member from Anchorage. He is a partner in Ingaldson, Maassen & Fitzgerald. He has practiced law since 1987 and is a second generation Alaskan. (Term: 2008 - 2014)

**Kathleen Tompkins-Miller** is a public member from Fairbanks. She is a schoolteacher and has been a resident of Alaska for sixteen years. (Term: 2009 - 2015)

**Christena Williams** is a public member from Ketchikan. She is a third generation Alaskan and newspaper co-publisher. She and her family own and operate Pioneer Printing Co., Inc. and the Ketchikan Daily News. (Term: 2005 - 2011)

**Julie Willoughby** is an attorney member from Juneau. Ms. Willoughby is in private practice in Juneau. She has practiced law since 1998 and is a second generation Alaskan. (Term: 2010 – 2016)

**See [www.ajc.state.ak.us](http://www.ajc.state.ak.us) for detailed judicial evaluation information.**

# Supreme Court Justice

## Dana A. Fabe



**MAILING ADDRESS:** 303 K Street, Fifth Floor  
Anchorage, Alaska 99501

**AGE:** 59

**PLACE OF BIRTH:** Cincinnati, Ohio

**NAME OF SPOUSE:** Randall Simpson

**CHILDREN'S NAME(S):** Mia (age 27)

**LENGTH OF RESIDENCY IN ALASKA:** 34 years

**ALASKAN COMMUNITIES LIVED IN:**  
Anchorage, 1976 - present

**EDUCATION:**  
Hillsdale School, Cincinnati, Ohio;  
Cornell University, 1969-73, B.A.;  
Northeastern University School of Law, 1973-76, J.D.;  
University of Alaska, Anchorage, Honorary Doctorate,  
2010

**POLITICAL AND GOVERNMENT POSITIONS:**  
Justice, Alaska Supreme Court, January  
1996-present. Elected by the other justices to serve  
two three-year terms as Chief Justice: 2000-03;  
2006-09. Superior Court Judge, Anchorage, 1988-  
96. Appointed by Governor Jay Hammond as Chief  
Public Defender for Alaska, 1981-88. Law clerk for  
Justice Edmond Burke, 1976-77.

**BUSINESS and PROFESSIONAL POSITIONS:**  
Chair, Alaska Law Day Steering Committee; Chair,  
Alaska Supreme Court Fairness and Diversity  
Committee; Chair, Alaska Supreme Court Civil Rules  
Committee; Chair, Success Inside and Out: Hiland  
Mountain Incarcerated Women's Reentry Program;  
Co-chair, Alaska Teaching Justice Network; President,  
National Association of Women Judges; Chair,  
American Judicature Society (AJS) Ethics Advisory  
Committee; Member, AJS National Advisory Council.  
Chair, American Judicature Society (AJS) Ethics  
Advisory Committee; Member, AJS National Advisory  
Council.

**SERVICE ORGANIZATION(S) MEMBERSHIP:**  
Fellow, American Bar Association; Alaska and  
Anchorage Bar Associations.

**SPECIAL INTERESTS:** Family, cooking, music.

**STATEMENT:**  
I am thankful for the opportunity to serve the people  
of Alaska as a Supreme Court Justice. During my  
22 years on the bench, I have been committed to  
improving Alaska's justice system and deciding each  
case fairly and impartially according to the law. As  
chair of Supreme Court committees, I have worked  
hard to increase access to the courts and to develop  
procedures to ensure that cases are handled efficiently  
and effectively, saving time and money for the parties  
and the state.

Perhaps most rewarding has been my continuing  
work with Alaska's youth. I have coordinated the court  
system's statewide Law Day program in the schools  
for almost fifteen years. By making presentations  
in dozens of elementary, middle school, and high  
school classrooms and judging the statewide Mock  
Trial competition each year, I have tried to educate  
students and promote better understanding of our  
Constitution and the courts. By training Youth Court  
attorneys and judges in urban and rural communities  
around the state, I have tried to strengthen our juvenile  
justice system. By speaking to student assemblies  
throughout the state, I have tried to encourage young  
people to work hard and make good choices.

As Chief Justice, I traveled around the state, holding  
forums to seek creative solutions to problems faced  
by the justice system. I believe in promoting a strong  
partnership between our communities and our courts.  
Alaska has been my home for 34 years. I love our  
state and would be honored to continue to serve.

*The views expressed in this statement are from the candidate and not endorsed by the Division of Elections.  
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# Alaska Judicial Council Recommendation

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## Justice Dana A. Fabe, Alaska Supreme Court

### Judicial Council Recommendation 2010

The Alaska Judicial Council is a non-partisan citizens' commission established by the Alaska constitution. Alaskan law requires the Council to evaluate judges' performance and authorizes the Council to recommend to voters whether judges should be retained in office. The Judicial Council reviews judges' integrity, diligence, legal ability, fairness, demeanor, ability to manage their caseloads, and overall performance of their judicial responsibilities in and out of the courtroom. The Judicial Council finds Justice Fabe to be **Qualified** and recommends unanimously that the public vote "YES" to retain her as a supreme court justice.

### Judicial Council Evaluation

The Judicial Council surveyed thousands of Alaskans including peace and probation officers, court employees, attorneys, jurors, social workers/guardians ad litem, and child advocates about the judges on the ballot. Respondents were asked to rate judicial performance and to submit comments. The Council also reviewed the ratings and observations of the Alaska Judicial Observers, independent community-based volunteers. The Council reviewed the judge's peremptory challenge, recusals, and appellate affirmance and reversal rates; any civil or criminal litigation involving the judge; APOC and court system conflict-of-interest statements; any disciplinary files involving the judge; and whether a judge's pay was withheld for an untimely decision. The Council reviewed other court records and investigated judicial conduct in specific cases. The Council interviewed some judges, attorneys, and court staff, and held a statewide public hearing to obtain comments about judges.

	Attorney Survey	Court Employee Survey
Legal Ability	4.4	---
Impartiality	4.2	4.5
Integrity	4.4	4.7
Temperament	4.5	4.6
Diligence	4.5	4.7
Overall	4.3	4.6

Ratings are based on a one to five scale. Five is the best rating and three is "acceptable."

**Rating Scale**  
 5.0 = Excellent  
 4.0 = Good  
 3.0 = Acceptable  
 2.0 = Deficient  
 1.0 = Poor

### Summary of Survey Information

Survey respondents rated Justice Fabe on the categories summarized in the table above, using 5 as the highest rating possible. The attorney rating for Justice Fabe on overall performance was 4.3. Court employees rated her at 4.6.

**Recommendation: Vote "YES" to retain Justice Dana A. Fabe**

# Court of Appeals Judge

## David Mannheimer



**MAILING ADDRESS:** 303 K Street, Suite 432  
Anchorage, AK 99501

**AGE:** 61

**PLACE OF BIRTH:** Des Moines, Iowa

**NAME OF SPOUSE:** Carol Moonie

**CHILDREN'S NAMES:** Katherine, Sara, Rachel

**LENGTH OF RESIDENCY IN ALASKA:** 36 years

**ALASKAN COMMUNITIES LIVED IN:**

Fairbanks 1974 - 1978  
Anchorage 1978 - present

**EDUCATION:**

High School: Roosevelt H.S., Des Moines, Iowa,  
graduated 1966  
College: Stanford University, 1966-1970 B.A.  
Post-Graduate: Univ. of Calif. Berkeley Law School,  
1971-1974 J.D.

**POLITICAL AND GOVERNMENT POSITIONS:**

Court of Appeals Judge 1990-present;  
Assistant Attorney General 1976-1990;  
Assistant District Attorney 1974-1976

**BUSINESS and PROFESSIONAL POSITIONS:**

Alaska Supreme Court Committees on the Rules of  
Judicial Conduct and the Rules of Criminal Procedure;  
Appellate Courts Computer Committee; Alaska Bar  
Association Committee on the Rules of Professional  
Responsibility

**SERVICE ORGANIZATION(S) MEMBERSHIP:**

Alaska Bar Association; American Bar Association

**SPECIAL INTERESTS:**

Music (especially bluegrass and Irish); computers;  
cooking

**STATEMENT:**

It has been an honor to serve the people of Alaska  
as a judge on the Court of Appeals. I have strived to  
do my duty to the very best of my ability — to treat all  
people with respect, to give everyone a chance to be  
heard, to decide each case fairly, and to uphold the  
Constitution and the laws of our state.

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# Alaska Judicial Council Recommendation

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## Judge David Mannheimer, Court of Appeals Judge

### Judicial Council Recommendation 2010

The Alaska Judicial Council is a non-partisan citizens' commission established by the Alaska constitution. Alaskan law requires the Council to evaluate judges' performance and authorizes the Council to recommend to voters whether judges should be retained in office. The Judicial Council reviews judges' integrity, diligence, legal ability, fairness, demeanor, ability to manage their caseloads, and overall performance of their judicial responsibilities in and out of the courtroom. The Judicial Council finds Judge Mannheimer to be **Qualified** and recommends unanimously that the public vote **"Yes"** to retain him as a court of appeals judge.

### Judicial Council Evaluation

The Judicial Council surveyed thousands of Alaskans including peace and probation officers, court employees, attorneys, jurors, social workers/guardians ad litem, and child advocates about the judges on the ballot. Respondents were asked to rate judicial performance and to submit comments. The Council also reviewed the ratings and observations of the Alaska Judicial Observers, independent community-based volunteers. The Council reviewed the judge's peremptory challenge, recusals, and appellate affirmance and reversal rates; any civil or criminal litigation involving the judge; APOC and court system conflict-of-interest statements; any disciplinary files involving the judge; and whether a judge's pay was withheld for an untimely decision. The Council reviewed other court records and investigated judicial conduct in specific cases. The Council interviewed some judges, attorneys, and court staff, and held a statewide public hearing to obtain comments about judges.

	Attorney Survey	Court Employee Survey
Legal Ability	4.5	---
Impartiality	4.3	4.6
Integrity	4.5	4.7
Temperament	4.3	4.4
Diligence	4.6	4.7
Overall	4.4	4.7

Ratings are based on a one to five scale. Five is the best rating and three is "acceptable."

**Rating Scale**  
 5.0 = Excellent  
 4.0 = Good  
 3.0 = Acceptable  
 2.0 = Deficient  
 1.0 = Poor

### Summary of Survey Information

Survey respondents rated Judge Mannheimer on the categories summarized in the table above, using 5 as the highest rating possible. The attorney rating for Judge Mannheimer on overall performance was 4.4. Court employees rated him at 4.7.

<b>Recommendation: Vote "YES" to retain Judge David Mannheimer</b>
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# Superior Court Judge

## Eric A. Aarseth, Third Judicial District



**MAILING ADDRESS:** Nesbett Courthouse  
825 W. Fourth Avenue  
Anchorage, AK 99501

**AGE:** 47

**PLACE OF BIRTH:** Minnesota

**NAME OF SPOUSE:** Stephane

**LENGTH OF RESIDENCY IN ALASKA:** 19 years

**ALASKAN COMMUNITIES LIVED IN:**  
Anchorage 1991-present

**EDUCATION:**  
University of Minnesota - Institute of Technology  
(B.S. Geological Engineering 1986)  
William Mitchell College of Law (J.D. 1990)

**MILITARY SERVICE:**  
U.S. Army (1991-1994), Captain  
Army Commendation and National Defense Service  
Medals.  
Alaska Air National Guard (2003-present), Major  
Air Force Meritorious Service, Air Force  
Commendation and National Defense Service  
Medals.

**POLITICAL and GOVERNMENT POSITIONS:**  
Dillingham District Attorney (1994-1996)  
Anchorage Assistant District Attorney (1996-2002)  
Assistant Attorney General (2002-2006)

### **SPECIAL INTERESTS:**

Family, Camping, Fishing, Hunting

### **STATEMENT:**

It is a privilege and an honor to serve as an Anchorage superior court judge. During the last five years, I have presided over criminal, civil, juvenile delinquency and children-in-need-of-aid cases. I worked hard to prepare for each case, give each side a fair opportunity to present its side of the story and render timely decisions. I respect the people who serve as jurors, and I try to run my trials as efficiently as possible to minimize the impact on their everyday lives. Many people come into court without an attorney and I am committed to providing them the same access to justice as those represented by an attorney. Integrity has always been a cornerstone in my life, both as a judge and a military officer; I handle each case carefully so that there can be no question of my commitment to the process. I believe I have served the State of Alaska well the last five years and if retained, I will endeavor to continue to improve my work as a judge to the utmost of my ability.

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# Alaska Judicial Council Recommendation

## Judge Eric A. Aarseth, Superior Court, Anchorage

### Judicial Council Recommendation 2010

The Alaska Judicial Council is a non-partisan citizens' commission established by the Alaska constitution. Alaskan law requires the Council to evaluate judges' performance and authorizes the Council to recommend to voters whether judges should be retained in office. The Judicial Council reviews judges' integrity, diligence, legal ability, fairness, demeanor, ability to manage their caseloads, and overall performance of their judicial responsibilities in and out of the courtroom. The Judicial Council finds Judge Aarseth to be **Qualified** and recommends unanimously that the public vote **"Yes"** to retain him as a superior court judge.

### Judicial Council Evaluation

The Judicial Council surveyed thousands of Alaskans including peace and probation officers, court employees, attorneys, jurors, social workers/guardians ad litem, and child advocates about the judges on the ballot. Respondents were asked to rate judicial performance and to submit comments. The Council also reviewed the ratings and observations of the Alaska Judicial Observers, independent community-based volunteers. The Council reviewed the judge's peremptory challenge, recusals, and appellate affirmance and reversal rates; any civil or criminal litigation involving the judge; APOC and court system conflict-of-interest statements; any disciplinary files involving the judge; and whether a judge's pay was withheld for an untimely decision. The Council reviewed other court records and investigated judicial conduct in specific cases. The Council interviewed some judges, attorneys, and court staff, and held a statewide public hearing to obtain comments about judges.

	Attorney Survey	Peace Officer Survey	Juror Survey	Court Employee Survey	Social Workers Guardians ad Litem CASAs
Legal Ability	4.0	---	---	---	---
Impartiality	4.0	3.8	4.9	4.4	4.3
Integrity	4.4	4.0	---	4.5	4.0
Temperament	4.2	3.9	5.0	4.4	4.5
Diligence	4.1	3.8	---	4.3	4.5
Overall	4.0	3.8	4.9	4.5	4.3

Ratings are based on a one to five scale. Five is the best rating and three is "acceptable."

**Rating Scale**

5.0 = Excellent  
 4.0 = Good  
 3.0 = Acceptable  
 2.0 = Deficient  
 1.0 = Poor

### Summary of Survey Information

Survey respondents rated Judge Aarseth on the categories summarized in the table above, using 5 as the highest rating possible. The attorney rating for Judge Aarseth on overall performance was 4.0. Peace and probation officers gave Judge Aarseth a rating of 3.8. Jurors rated him 4.9 overall, court employees gave him 4.5, and social workers, guardians ad litem and CASA volunteers rated him at 4.3. The Alaska Judicial Observers rated him 3.53.

**Recommendation: Vote "YES" to retain Judge Eric A. Aarseth**

# Superior Court Judge

## Carl Bauman, Third Judicial District



**MAILING ADDRESS:** Kenai Courthouse  
125 Trading Bay Road  
Kenai, Alaska 99611

**AGE:** 63

**PLACE OF BIRTH:** Pendleton, OR

**CHILDREN'S NAMES:** John (34), Matthew (29),  
David (27)

**LENGTH OF RESIDENCY IN ALASKA:** 37 years

**ALASKAN COMMUNITIES LIVED IN:**

Anchorage (June 1973 to April 2007)  
Wasilla (April 2007 to October 2007)  
Soldotna (October 2007 to date)

**EDUCATION:**

Heppner High School, 1965  
University of Oregon, BA 1970  
University of Oregon Law School JD – 1973

**MILITARY SERVICE:**

Marine Corps (6 months active duty in 1969; reserves until 1971);  
Oregon National Guard (1971-1973); Sgt. E-5; APC Commander  
Alaska National Guard (1973-75); Paramedic

**POLITICAL and GOVERNMENT POSITIONS:**

Superior Court Judge, Kenai; 2007-date

**BUSINESS and PROFESSIONAL POSITIONS:**

Associate/Partner/Member of Hughes Thorsness Law Firm, 1973-2007, Chairman, 1997-2007;  
Fee Dispute Arbitration Committee, Alaska Bar Association, mid-1990's to 2007;  
Ninth Circuit Lawyer Representative, 2000-2002.

**SERVICE ORGANIZATION(S) MEMBERSHIP:**

Anchorage Downtown Rotary, 1997-2007

**SPECIAL INTERESTS:**

Grandchildren, reading, boating, fishing, snowmachining, "Motorheads," golf, racquetball, basketball; Sumerian history

**STATEMENT:**

It has been my privilege to serve the Kenai Peninsula as a Superior Court Judge since Governor Palin appointed me in 2007. The court system was established to serve the community. The people who come to court are entitled to courtesy and respect. I came to the bench after 33 years in private practice with a law firm in Anchorage. The three superior court judges in Kenai handle a broad range of civil and criminal cases. I had little prior experience with felony-criminal or children-in-need-of-aid cases. The learning curve was like being back in law school.

In the small town in Eastern Oregon where I was raised, people not only knew everyone else, but knew their family histories and transgressions over the years. Although criminal conduct can be understandable in some circumstances, holding an individual or company responsible for their conduct is important. When there are two sides to a story, unraveling the truth of what really happened is a challenge. The goal is to resolve disputes fairly and equitably under the rule of law. The role of the jury is critical. The sacrifices of jurors, their employers, and their families are greatly appreciated.

If retained, I will do my best to be fair, impartial, timely, and worthy of your trust.

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# Alaska Judicial Council Recommendation

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## Judge Carl Bauman, Superior Court, Kenai

### Judicial Council Recommendation 2010

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### Judicial Council Evaluation

The Judicial Council surveyed thousands of Alaskans including peace and probation officers, court employees, attorneys, jurors, social workers/guardians ad litem, and child advocates about the judges on the ballot. Respondents were asked to rate judicial performance and to submit comments. The Council also reviewed the ratings and observations of the Alaska Judicial Observers, independent community-based volunteers. The Council reviewed the judge's peremptory challenge, recusals, and appellate affirmance and reversal rates; any civil or criminal litigation involving the judge; APOC and court system conflict-of-interest statements; any disciplinary files involving the judge; and whether a judge's pay was withheld for an untimely decision. The Council reviewed other court records and investigated judicial conduct in specific cases. The Council interviewed some judges, attorneys, and court staff, and held a statewide public hearing to obtain comments about judges.

	Attorney Survey	Peace Officer Survey	Juror Survey	Court Employee Survey	Social Workers Guardians ad Litem CASAs
Legal Ability	3.9	---	---	---	---
Impartiality	3.9	3.1	4.7	4.6	3.8
Integrity	4.0	2.9	---	4.4	4.0
Temperament	3.9	3.7	4.8	4.7	3.8
Diligence	3.7	3.2	---	4.3	3.2
Overall	3.8	3.0	4.7	4.4	3.8

Ratings are based on a one to five scale. Five is the best rating and three is "acceptable."

**Rating Scale**  
 5.0 = Excellent  
 4.0 = Good  
 3.0 = Acceptable  
 2.0 = Deficient  
 1.0 = Poor

### Summary of Survey Information

Survey respondents rated Judge Bauman on the categories summarized in the table above, using 5 as the highest rating possible. The attorney rating for Judge Bauman on overall performance was 3.8. Peace and probation officers gave Judge Bauman a rating of 3.0. Jurors rated him 4.7 overall, court employees gave him 4.4, and social workers, guardians ad litem and CASA volunteers rated him at 3.8.

**Recommendation: Vote "YES" to retain Judge Carl Bauman**

# Superior Court Judge

## Sharon L. Gleason, Third Judicial District



**MAILING ADDRESS:** 825 West 4th Avenue  
Anchorage, AK 99501

**AGE:** 53

**PLACE OF BIRTH:** Rochester, New York

**CHILDREN:** Chloe, David

**LENGTH OF RESIDENCY IN ALASKA:** 27 years

**ALASKAN COMMUNITIES LIVED IN:**  
Anchorage - 1983 to present

**EDUCATION:**  
Brighton High School, Rochester, N.Y., 1971-1975,  
HS Diploma  
Washington University in St. Louis, Mo., 1975-1979,  
B.A. History  
University of California of Davis School of Law, 1980-  
1983, J.D.

**POLITICAL and GOVERNMENT POSITIONS:**  
Presiding Judge, Third Judicial District, 2009-Present  
Superior Court Judge, 2001-Present  
Law Clerk to Alaska Supreme Court Justice Edmond  
W. Burke, 1983-1984

**BUSINESS and PROFESSIONAL POSITIONS:**  
Attorney in private practice of law, 1984-2001

**SERVICE ORGANIZATION(S) MEMBERSHIP:**

Alaska Bar Association  
Supreme Court Advisory Committees on Family  
Rules (chair) and Civil Rules (member)  
National Association of Women Judges

**SPECIAL INTERESTS:**

Family, clarinet playing, gardening, walking, reading

**STATEMENT:**

It has been an honor and privilege to serve as a trial court judge in Anchorage for the past nine years.

In my view, a judge should treat each person in the courtroom with respect, listen carefully to each person's concerns, and apply the law fairly and impartially. I also believe a judge should treat each and every case that comes to court as a unique and special case that deserves the judge's most careful consideration.

In April 2009, I was appointed by the Alaska Supreme Court's Chief Justice to serve as the presiding judge for the Third Judicial District. The presiding judge has the primary administrative responsibility for the provision of judicial services in the district - a district that includes a total of 12 court locations from Unalaska to Kodiak to Glennallen, and also includes Palmer, Kenai and Anchorage. As presiding judge, I have the opportunity to learn about and address the unique challenges facing each of our court locations. I have strived to ensure that the Alaska Court System is according ready access to our justice system to each litigant throughout our district.

I truly enjoy the challenges and responsibilities of being a Superior Court Judge and seek to provide many more years of public service to Alaska.

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# Alaska Judicial Council Recommendation

## Judge Sharon L. Gleason, Superior Court, Anchorage

### Judicial Council Recommendation 2010

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### Judicial Council Evaluation

The Judicial Council surveyed thousands of Alaskans including peace and probation officers, court employees, attorneys, jurors, social workers/guardians ad litem, and child advocates about the judges on the ballot. Respondents were asked to rate judicial performance and to submit comments. The Council also reviewed the ratings and observations of the Alaska Judicial Observers, independent community-based volunteers. The Council reviewed the judge's peremptory challenge, recusals, and appellate affirmance and reversal rates; any civil or criminal litigation involving the judge; APOC and court system conflict-of-interest statements; any disciplinary files involving the judge; and whether a judge's pay was withheld for an untimely decision. The Council reviewed other court records and investigated judicial conduct in specific cases. The Council interviewed some judges, attorneys, and court staff, and held a statewide public hearing to obtain comments about judges.

	Attorney Survey	Peace Officer Survey	Juror Survey	Court Employee Survey	Social Workers Guardians ad Litem CASAs
Legal Ability	4.4	---	---	---	---
Impartiality	4.4	4.4	4.8	4.5	4.7
Integrity	4.6	4.8	---	4.6	4.8
Temperament	4.5	4.4	5.0	4.5	4.7
Diligence	4.5	4.3	---	4.6	4.8
Overall	4.5	4.4	4.9	4.5	4.9

Ratings are based on a one to five scale. Five is the best rating and three is "acceptable."

**Rating Scale**

5.0 = Excellent  
 4.0 = Good  
 3.0 = Acceptable  
 2.0 = Deficient  
 1.0 = Poor

### Summary of Survey Information

Survey respondents rated Judge Gleason on the categories summarized in the table above, using 5 as the highest rating possible. The attorney rating for Judge Gleason on overall performance was 4.5. Peace and probation officers gave Judge Gleason a rating of 4.4. Jurors rated her 4.9 overall, court employees gave her 4.5, and social workers, guardians ad litem and CASA volunteers rated her at 4.9. The Alaska Judicial Observers rated her 3.91.

**Recommendation: Vote "YES" to retain Judge Sharon L. Gleason**

# Superior Court Judge

## Kari Kristiansen, Third Judicial District



**MAILING ADDRESS:** 435 S. Denali Street  
Palmer, Alaska 99645

**AGE:** 46

**PLACE OF BIRTH:** Seattle, Washington

**NAME OF SPOUSE:** John Darnall

**CHILDREN'S NAMES:** Christopher, Marianne,  
Leif

**LENGTH OF RESIDENCY IN ALASKA:** 39 years

**ALASKAN COMMUNITIES LIVED IN:**

Anchorage 1996-present  
Anchorage 1965-1989

**EDUCATION:**

Northwestern University, Evanston, Illinois,  
BS Electrical Engineering 1986  
Willamette University College of Law, Salem, Oregon,  
JD 1989

**POLITICAL and GOVERNMENT POSITIONS:**

None, other than present position

**BUSINESS and PROFESSIONAL POSITIONS:**

Deputy Prosecuting Attorney, City and County of  
Honolulu 1989-1996, private practice attorney 1997-  
1999, Assistant Attorney General, State of Alaska  
1999-2006

**SERVICE ORGANIZATION(S) MEMBERSHIP:**  
School PTA member

**SPECIAL INTERESTS:**  
Attending school and sports activities for my children

**OTHER:**  
I serve on two court committees – the No Dark Courtroom Committee, which seeks to provide better access to the court and to court decisions; and the New Judges Training Committee, which develops an annual 2-day training curriculum for newer judges. I also manage calendaring duties for the Palmer Court, facilitate school tours, and have been leading a working group to develop a therapeutic court.

**STATEMENT:**  
My goals as a judge are to improve my judicial performance, increase efficiency of judicial management, and promote public trust and confidence in the court. I strive to write orders that are clear and that adequately explain the decision, and that are based on the law and the facts. I am mindful of William Gladstone's famous quote "Justice delayed is justice denied", and therefore make every attempt to schedule hearings and issue rulings in a timely fashion. Given the increasing number of litigants without lawyers, I make available when appropriate copies of court system pamphlets and materials to assist the litigants to navigate the system and provide the litigants with a basic roadmap for their case.

I am deeply grateful for the opportunity to serve the local community as a judicial officer. I am committed to providing a fair and just resolution of disputes as defined by the rules of law and protecting the rights and liberties guaranteed by the Constitution of the United States and the state of Alaska. I hope that you will permit me to continue this honorable service.

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# Alaska Judicial Council Recommendation

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## Judge Kari Kristiansen, Superior Court, Palmer

### Judicial Council Recommendation 2010

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### Judicial Council Evaluation

The Judicial Council surveyed thousands of Alaskans including peace and probation officers, court employees, attorneys, jurors, social workers/guardians ad litem, and child advocates about the judges on the ballot. Respondents were asked to rate judicial performance and to submit comments. The Council also reviewed the ratings and observations of the Alaska Judicial Observers, independent community-based volunteers. The Council reviewed the judge's peremptory challenge, recusals, and appellate affirmance and reversal rates; any civil or criminal litigation involving the judge; APOC and court system conflict-of-interest statements; any disciplinary files involving the judge; and whether a judge's pay was withheld for an untimely decision. The Council reviewed other court records and investigated judicial conduct in specific cases. The Council interviewed some judges, attorneys, and court staff, and held a statewide public hearing to obtain comments about judges.

	Attorney Survey	Peace Officer Survey	Juror Survey	Court Employee Survey	Social Workers Guardians ad Litem CASAs
Legal Ability	3.6	---	---	---	---
Impartiality	3.7	2.6	4.8	4.4	3.8
Integrity	4.0	2.9	---	4.5	4.6
Temperament	3.7	2.7	4.9	4.4	4.0
Diligence	4.0	3.1	---	4.4	4.6
Overall	3.8	2.5	4.8	4.4	4.0

Ratings are based on a one to five scale. Five is the best rating and three is "acceptable."

**Rating Scale**

5.0 = Excellent  
 4.0 = Good  
 3.0 = Acceptable  
 2.0 = Deficient  
 1.0 = Poor

### Summary of Survey Information

Survey respondents rated Judge Kristiansen on the categories summarized in the table above, using 5 as the highest rating possible. The attorney rating for Judge Kristiansen on overall performance was 3.8. Peace and probation officers gave Judge Kristiansen a rating of 2.5. Jurors rated her 4.8 overall, court employees gave her 4.4, and social workers, guardians ad litem and CASA volunteers rated her at 4.0.

**Recommendation: Vote "YES" to retain Judge Kari Kristiansen**

# Superior Court Judge

## Patrick J. McKay, Third Judicial District



**MAILING ADDRESS:** 825 W. 4th Ave  
Anchorage, Alaska 99501

**AGE:** 58

**PLACE OF BIRTH:** Michigan

**NAME OF SPOUSE:** Married, 38 years

**CHILDREN'S NAMES:** 3 daughters, 1 son,  
8 grandchildren

**LENGTH OF RESIDENCY IN ALASKA:** 33 years

**ALASKAN COMMUNITIES LIVED IN:**  
Anchorage, Palmer

**EDUCATION:**  
High School; Marmion Military Academy  
College; Aurora University, BA, Political Science;  
Honors  
Illinois Institute of Technology,  
Chicago/Kent College of Law, J.D.; Honors

**SPECIAL INTERESTS:**

Outdoor activities; rafting, fly fishing, hunting, dog training, basketball

**STATEMENT:**

As a private attorney representing clients before the Alaskan courts for over 28 years before being appointed to the Superior Court, I know what my clients expected from the court and I strive to meet those expectations daily.

I believe it is most important to remember that being a judge is simply a form of public service. I am committed to treat everyone who becomes involved in our justice system fairly, impartially, and with respect.

A Superior Court Judge can not and should not avoid the difficult decisions on controversial issues. That is part of the job. Litigants deserve prompt decisions based on the law, not decisions that are colored by the Court's personal beliefs or wishes.

It has been a true honor and privilege to serve my state and community as a Superior Court Judge.

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# Alaska Judicial Council Recommendation

## Judge Patrick J. McKay, Superior Court, Anchorage

### Judicial Council Recommendation 2010

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### Judicial Council Evaluation

The Judicial Council surveyed thousands of Alaskans including peace and probation officers, court employees, attorneys, jurors, social workers/guardians ad litem, and child advocates about the judges on the ballot. Respondents were asked to rate judicial performance and to submit comments. The Council also reviewed the ratings and observations of the Alaska Judicial Observers, independent community-based volunteers. The Council reviewed the judge's peremptory challenge, recusals, and appellate affirmance and reversal rates; any civil or criminal litigation involving the judge; APOC and court system conflict-of-interest statements; any disciplinary files involving the judge; and whether a judge's pay was withheld for an untimely decision. The Council reviewed other court records and investigated judicial conduct in specific cases. The Council interviewed some judges, attorneys, and court staff, and held a statewide public hearing to obtain comments about judges.

	Attorney Survey	Peace Officer Survey	Juror Survey	Court Employee Survey	Social Workers Guardians ad Litem CASAs
Legal Ability	4.1	---	---	---	---
Impartiality	4.2	3.6	4.9	4.5	3.5
Integrity	4.0	3.2	---	4.3	3.0
Temperament	4.1	3.7	5.0	4.5	3.5
Diligence	4.1	3.6	---	4.5	3.5
Overall	4.1	3.3	5.0	4.6	3.5

Ratings are based on a one to five scale. Five is the best rating and three is "acceptable."

**Rating Scale**

5.0 = Excellent  
 4.0 = Good  
 3.0 = Acceptable  
 2.0 = Deficient  
 1.0 = Poor

### Summary of Survey Information

Survey respondents rated Judge McKay on the categories summarized in the table above, using 5 as the highest rating possible. The attorney rating for Judge McKay on overall performance was 4.1. Peace and probation officers gave Judge McKay a rating of 3.3. Jurors rated him 5.0 overall, court employees gave him 4.6, and social workers, guardians ad litem and CASA volunteers rated him at 3.5. The Alaska Judicial Observers rated him 3.57.

**Recommendation: Vote "YES" to retain Judge Patrick J. McKay**

# Superior Court Judge

## Anna M. Moran, Third Judicial District



**MAILING ADDRESS:** 125 Trading Bay Drive,  
Suite 100  
Kenai, AK 99611

**AGE:** 58

**PLACE OF BIRTH:** Indianapolis, Indiana

**NAME OF SPOUSE:** John

**CHILDREN'S NAMES:** Olivia

**LENGTH OF RESIDENCY IN ALASKA:** 25 years

**ALASKAN COMMUNITIES LIVED IN:**

Kodiak, Alaska 1985-2005  
Kenai, Alaska 2005-present

**EDUCATION:**

Indiana University, BA 1974  
Lewis & Clark, Northwestern School of Law, JD 1978

**POLITICAL and GOVERNMENT POSITIONS:**

Magistrate 1987-2007  
Superior Court Judge 2007-present

**BUSINESS and PROFESSIONAL POSITIONS:**

Alaska Bar Association 1986-present  
Magistrate Training Judge 1996-2006  
Alaska Children Rules Committee 2005-present  
Alaska Bar Association Disciplinary Committee  
1990-1993

Alaska Bar Association Law Related Education  
mid-1990's  
National Association of Women Judges  
2010-present

**SPECIAL INTERESTS:**

Gardening, hiking, biking

**STATEMENT:**

It has been my privilege to serve the Kenai Peninsula and the State of Alaska as a Superior Court Judge since my appointment in 2007.

Each day brings a new challenge, whether it is helping parents untangle child custody issues, officiating over a complex murder trial, resolving civil claims or handling routine criminal matters.

I will continue to treat all people who appear in court with fairness, dignity and respect. I will work at all times to decide cases impartially and in a way that is consistent with the laws and the Constitution of the State of Alaska.

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# Alaska Judicial Council Recommendation

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## Judge Anna M. Moran, Superior Court, Kenai

### Judicial Council Recommendation 2010

The Alaska Judicial Council is a non-partisan citizens' commission established by the Alaska constitution. Alaskan law requires the Council to evaluate judges' performance and authorizes the Council to recommend to voters whether judges should be retained in office. The Judicial Council reviews judges' integrity, diligence, legal ability, fairness, demeanor, ability to manage their caseloads, and overall performance of their judicial responsibilities in and out of the courtroom. The Judicial Council finds Judge Moran to be **Qualified** and recommends unanimously that the public vote **"YES"** to retain her as a superior court judge.

### Judicial Council Evaluation

The Judicial Council surveyed thousands of Alaskans including peace and probation officers, court employees, attorneys, jurors, social workers/guardians ad litem, and child advocates about the judges on the ballot. Respondents were asked to rate judicial performance and to submit comments. The Council also reviewed the ratings and observations of the Alaska Judicial Observers, independent community-based volunteers. The Council reviewed the judge's peremptory challenge, recusals, and appellate affirmation and reversal rates; any civil or criminal litigation involving the judge; APOC and court system conflict-of-interest statements; any disciplinary files involving the judge; and whether a judge's pay was withheld for an untimely decision. The Council reviewed other court records and investigated judicial conduct in specific cases. The Council interviewed some judges, attorneys, and court staff, and held a statewide public hearing to obtain comments about judges.

	Attorney Survey	Peace Officer Survey	Juror Survey	Court Employee Survey	Social Workers Guardians ad Litem CASAs
Legal Ability	3.9	---	---	---	---
Impartiality	4.0	3.0	4.9	4.4	4.5
Integrity	4.2	3.3	---	4.4	4.8
Temperament	3.9	3.2	4.9	4.2	4.5
Diligence	3.9	3.4	---	4.4	4.8
Overall	3.9	3.2	4.9	4.4	4.8

Ratings are based on a one to five scale. Five is the best rating and three is "acceptable."

**Rating Scale**  
 5.0 = Excellent  
 4.0 = Good  
 3.0 = Acceptable  
 2.0 = Deficient  
 1.0 = Poor

### Summary of Survey Information

Survey respondents rated Judge Moran on the categories summarized in the table above, using 5 as the highest rating possible. The attorney rating for Judge Moran on overall performance was 3.9. Peace and probation officers gave Judge Moran a rating of 3.2. Jurors rated her 4.9 overall, court employees gave her 4.4, and social workers, guardians ad litem and CASA volunteers rated her at 4.8.

**Recommendation: Vote "YES" to retain Judge Anna M. Moran**

# Superior Court Judge

## Mark Rindner, Third Judicial District



**AGE:** 61

**PLACE OF BIRTH:** New York City

**NAME OF SPOUSE:** Christine Schleuss

**CHILDREN'S NAMES:** Benjamin (30)  
Leah (27)

**LENGTH OF RESIDENCY IN ALASKA:** 31 years

**ALASKAN COMMUNITIES LIVED IN:**  
Anchorage 1979-present

**EDUCATION:**  
Westfield New Jersey High School, 1964-1967  
University of Pennsylvania, 1967-1971, B.A. (History)  
and M.S. Ed. (Counseling)  
University of California at Berkeley Law School,  
1975-1978, J.D.

**POLITICAL and GOVERNMENT POSITIONS:**  
Assistant United States Attorney, 1981-1984

**BUSINESS and PROFESSIONAL POSITIONS:**  
Co-Chairman, CINA Court Improvement Committee  
Vice Chairman, Alaska Supreme Court Access to Civil  
Justice Committee  
Member, Judicial Conference Planning Committee  
Member, Alaska Bar Association Pro-Bono committee

**SERVICE ORGANIZATION(S) MEMBERSHIP:**

Alaska Bar Association  
Anchorage Bar Association  
American Judicature Society

**SPECIAL INTERESTS:**

Fishing, Music (Blues and Cajun), Cooking

**STATEMENT:**

I have been honored to serve as a judge for almost ten years and I have found each year to be a rewarding experience. I am particularly interested in cases involving children and for that reason have served for the past seven years as the judge for the Alaska Family CARE Court, a problem solving court for families. The Court's mission is to break the cycle of addiction, child abuse and neglect. One day a week I also act as a settlement judge for cases assigned to other judges. This work allows the public to more directly solve their own disputes.

I believe that the law is held in trust for all people, not just the rich and powerful, and that justice should be the primary focus of our court system. I believe that all persons should have access to our courts, not just those who can afford a lawyer. I understand the legal system is very expensive for most people and have worked to improve access to the courts for those who cannot afford a lawyer. If retained I will continue to work hard toward these goals.

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# Alaska Judicial Council Recommendation

## Judge Mark Rindner, Superior Court, Anchorage

### Judicial Council Recommendation 2010

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### Judicial Council Evaluation

The Judicial Council surveyed thousands of Alaskans including peace and probation officers, court employees, attorneys, jurors, social workers/guardians ad litem, and child advocates about the judges on the ballot. Respondents were asked to rate judicial performance and to submit comments. The Council also reviewed the ratings and observations of the Alaska Judicial Observers, independent community-based volunteers. The Council reviewed the judge's peremptory challenge, recusals, and appellate affirmance and reversal rates; any civil or criminal litigation involving the judge; APOC and court system conflict-of-interest statements; any disciplinary files involving the judge; and whether a judge's pay was withheld for an untimely decision. The Council reviewed other court records and investigated judicial conduct in specific cases. The Council interviewed some judges, attorneys, and court staff, and held a statewide public hearing to obtain comments about judges.

	Attorney Survey	Peace Officer Survey	Juror Survey	Court Employee Survey	Social Workers Guardians ad Litem CASAs
Legal Ability	4.3	---	---	---	---
Impartiality	4.0	2.6	4.9	4.2	4.2
Integrity	4.3	3.0	---	4.2	4.6
Temperament	3.7	2.6	4.9	3.8	3.8
Diligence	4.3	3.0	---	4.2	4.1
Overall	4.1	2.8	5.0	4.2	4.1

Ratings are based on a one to five scale. Five is the best rating and three is "acceptable."

Rating Scale

5.0 = Excellent  
 4.0 = Good  
 3.0 = Acceptable  
 2.0 = Deficient  
 1.0 = Poor

### Summary of Survey Information

Survey respondents rated Judge Rindner on the categories summarized in the table above, using 5 as the highest rating possible. The attorney rating for Judge Rindner on overall performance was 4.1. Peace and probation officers gave Judge Rindner a rating of 2.8. Jurors rated him 5.0 overall, court employees gave him 4.2, and social workers, guardians ad litem and CASA volunteers rated him at 4.1. The Alaska Judicial Observers rated him 3.45.

**Recommendation: Vote "YES" to retain Judge Mark Rindner**

# Superior Court Judge

## Jack W. Smith, Third Judicial District



**AGE:** 60  
**PLACE OF BIRTH:** St. Maries, ID  
**NAME OF SPOUSE:** Patricia  
**LENGTH OF RESIDENCY IN ALASKA:** 16 years

**ALASKAN COMMUNITIES LIVED IN:**  
Chugiak 2000-present  
Kotzebue 1998-2000  
Chugiak 1994-1998

**EDUCATION:**  
U.S. Air Force Academy 1968-1972, B.S.  
University of Southern California 1973-1975, M.S.  
University of Idaho College of Law 1976-1978, J.D.

**POLITICAL and GOVERNMENT POSITIONS:**  
Assistant District Attorney 1998-2003  
Anchorage District Court Judge 2003-2007

**BUSINESS and PROFESSIONAL POSITIONS:**  
Former Magistrate Training Judge

**SPECIAL INTERESTS:**  
Handball, traveling, continuing education (Enrolled in a masters degree in judicial studies program through the National Judicial College and the University of Nevada Reno).

**OTHER:**

Certified by the National Judicial College in: 1) General Judicial Trial Skills, Dispute Resolution Skills and certified in civil mediation.

**STATEMENT:**

It has been an honor and a privilege to serve the people of Alaska as a Superior Court Judge. I would be further honored to have the opportunity to serve the community for another term.

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# Alaska Judicial Council Recommendation

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## Judge Jack W. Smith, Superior Court, Anchorage

### Judicial Council Recommendation 2010

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### Judicial Council Evaluation

The Judicial Council surveyed thousands of Alaskans including peace and probation officers, court employees, attorneys, jurors, social workers/guardians ad litem, and child advocates about the judges on the ballot. Respondents were asked to rate judicial performance and to submit comments. The Council also reviewed the ratings and observations of the Alaska Judicial Observers, independent community-based volunteers. The Council reviewed the judge's peremptory challenge, recusals, and appellate affirmation and reversal rates; any civil or criminal litigation involving the judge; APOC and court system conflict-of-interest statements; any disciplinary files involving the judge; and whether a judge's pay was withheld for an untimely decision. The Council reviewed other court records and investigated judicial conduct in specific cases. The Council interviewed some judges, attorneys, and court staff, and held a statewide public hearing to obtain comments about judges.

	Attorney Survey	Peace Officer Survey	Juror Survey	Court Employee Survey	Social Workers Guardians ad Litem CASAs
Legal Ability	3.7	---	---	---	---
Impartiality	4.0	4.2	4.9	4.4	5.0
Integrity	4.3	4.2	---	4.4	5.0
Temperament	4.1	4.3	4.9	4.2	5.0
Diligence	4.2	4.4	---	4.2	5.0
Overall	4.0	4.2	4.9	4.3	5.0

Ratings are based on a one to five scale. Five is the best rating and three is "acceptable."

**Rating Scale**  
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 4.0 = Good  
 3.0 = Acceptable  
 2.0 = Deficient  
 1.0 = Poor

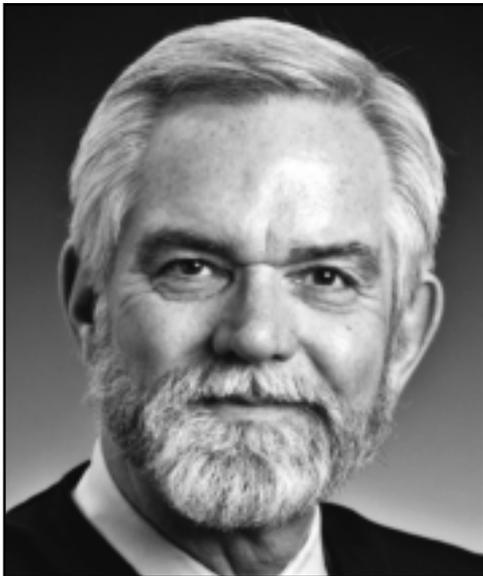
### Summary of Survey Information

Survey respondents rated Judge Smith on the categories summarized in the table above, using 5 as the highest rating possible. The attorney rating for Judge Smith on overall performance was 4.0. Peace and probation officers gave Judge Smith a rating of 4.2. Jurors rated him 4.9 overall, court employees gave him 4.3, and social workers, guardians ad litem and CASA volunteers rated him at 5.0. The Alaska Judicial Observers rated him 3.46.

**Recommendation: Vote "YES" to retain Judge Jack W. Smith**

# Superior Court Judge

## Michael R. Spaan, Third Judicial District



**MAILING ADDRESS:** 825 West Fourth Avenue  
Anchorage, AK 99501

**AGE:** 64

**PLACE OF BIRTH:** Berkeley, California

**NAME OF SPOUSE:** Laura Bliss Spaan

**CHILDREN'S NAMES:** Allison; Kayla; Tyler

**LENGTH OF RESIDENCY IN ALASKA:** 38 years

**ALASKAN COMMUNITIES LIVED IN:**  
Anchorage 1972-1973; 1975-Present

**EDUCATION:**  
El Cerrito High School (1960-1963, Diploma)  
Chico State College (1963-1968, BS)  
University of California at Davis Law School (1969-1972, J.D.)

**MILITARY SERVICE:**  
United States Army Reserve (1968-1974); E-5

**POLITICAL and GOVERNMENT POSITIONS:**  
Law Clerk, Alaska Supreme Court, 1972-73  
Legislative Assistant, Senator Ted Stevens, 1973-1975  
United States Attorney for Alaska, 1981-1989  
Alaska Superior Court Judge, 2007-Present

**BUSINESS and PROFESSIONAL POSITIONS:**

Private Practice, Birch Horton & Bittner, law firm, 1975-1981  
Private Practice, Bogle & Gates, law firm, 1990-1999  
Private Practice, Patton Boggs, law firm, 1999-2007

**SERVICE ORGANIZATION(S) MEMBERSHIP:**

Alaska Bar Association  
National Association of Former United States Attorneys

**SPECIAL INTERESTS:**

Family activities, hiking, fishing, skiing, motorcycles, reading, youth hockey

**STATEMENT:**

My first experience with the Alaska Judicial System was back in 1972 when I had the opportunity to serve as a law clerk for the Alaska Supreme Court. Now, all these years later, it's been my privilege to serve once again, this time as a trial judge for the Alaska Superior Court. In between, I gained a variety of experience working for Alaskans in Washington, D.C., and then as a U.S. Attorney, the chief federal prosecutor in Alaska. I also worked for several law firms in private practice for a number of years.

I am deeply committed to treating all those who come into my courtroom in a fair and impartial manner. Proceedings in my courtroom are rooted in respect for all parties and individuals, respect for the support staff and respect for the law. I have a tremendous amount of admiration for jurors who make a significant time commitment and sacrifice to serve the justice system in Alaska.

It has been an honor to serve as a Trial Court Judge in Alaska. If retained, I will do my utmost to serve the people of Alaska as a Trial Court Judge.

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# Alaska Judicial Council Recommendation

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## Judge Michael Spaan, Superior Court, Anchorage

### Judicial Council Recommendation 2010

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### Judicial Council Evaluation

The Judicial Council surveyed thousands of Alaskans including peace and probation officers, court employees, attorneys, jurors, social workers/guardians ad litem, and child advocates about the judges on the ballot. Respondents were asked to rate judicial performance and to submit comments. The Council also reviewed the ratings and observations of the Alaska Judicial Observers, independent community-based volunteers. The Council reviewed the judge's peremptory challenge, recusals, and appellate affirmance and reversal rates; any civil or criminal litigation involving the judge; APOC and court system conflict-of-interest statements; any disciplinary files involving the judge; and whether a judge's pay was withheld for an untimely decision. The Council reviewed other court records and investigated judicial conduct in specific cases. The Council interviewed some judges, attorneys, and court staff, and held a statewide public hearing to obtain comments about judges.

	Attorney Survey	Peace Officer Survey	Juror Survey	Court Employee Survey	Social Workers Guardians ad Litem CASAs
Legal Ability	3.9	---	---	---	---
Impartiality	4.1	3.9	4.8	4.6	4.0
Integrity	4.2	4.1	---	4.6	4.0
Temperament	4.0	4.0	4.9	4.6	4.0
Diligence	4.1	4.0	---	4.5	4.0
Overall	4.1	3.9	4.9	4.6	4.0

Ratings are based on a one to five scale. Five is the best rating and three is "acceptable."

**Rating Scale**  
 5.0 = Excellent  
 4.0 = Good  
 3.0 = Acceptable  
 2.0 = Deficient  
 1.0 = Poor

### Summary of Survey Information

Survey respondents rated Judge Spaan on the categories summarized in the table above, using 5 as the highest rating possible. The attorney rating for Judge Spaan on overall performance was 4.1. Peace and probation officers gave Judge Spaan a rating of 3.9. Jurors rated him 4.9 overall, court employees gave him 4.6, and social workers, guardians ad litem and CASA volunteers rated him at 4.0. The Alaska Judicial Observers rated him 3.58.

**Recommendation: Vote "YES" to retain Judge Michael Spaan**

# Superior Court Judge

## Vanessa H. White, Third Judicial District



**MAILING ADDRESS:** 435 S. Denali Street  
Palmer, Alaska 99645

**AGE:** 54

**PLACE OF BIRTH:** Ft. Lewis, Washington

**NAME OF SPOUSE:** Michael D. White

**LENGTH OF RESIDENCY IN ALASKA:** 22 years

**ALASKAN COMMUNITIES LIVED IN:** Anchorage  
1988 - present

**EDUCATION:**  
Know College, Galesburg, Illinois, BA 1981  
University of Puget Sound School of Law,  
Tacoma, Washington, JD 1988

**POLITICAL and GOVERNMENT POSITIONS:**  
None, other than present position

**BUSINESS and PROFESSIONAL POSITIONS:**  
Private practice attorney 1988 - 2006

**SERVICE ORGANIZATION(S) MEMBERSHIP:**  
Soroptimists International of Anchorage

**OTHER:**

I was raised in a military family where I learned discipline, the benefits of hard work and organization, and an abiding appreciation for my country and my community. Because our family moved every few years, I also learned to be adaptable and to communicate well, so that I could make new friends quickly wherever we were assigned. I appreciate that this upbringing allowed me to see much of our country, and that the skills I learned have helped me personally and professionally as an adult.

**STATEMENT:**

I began my work as a Palmer judge on February 1, 2007. From that date to this, just before I enter the courtroom each day, I recite four words to myself: *patience, common sense, and humility*. These are the personal qualities that I strive to achieve as I decide the future of my fellow citizens.

It has been an extremely rewarding experience to serve the Mat-Su Valley for nearly four years. I have come to appreciate a great many of the attributes of this part of our State: its natural beauty, the pride and industry of its residents, and the evolving infrastructure of governmental, community, and private organizations which support this network of communities as they grow and prosper.

I have tried to contribute to the healthy development of the Valley. I listen carefully to everyone who appears in my courtroom, whether they are there because they broke the law, because they were the victim of a crime, or because they need help creating a new model for a family that is breaking apart. I try to help when and where I can, and always I remember that my job is to protect the men, women and children who call the Valley their home.

I hope that you will allow me to continue this service, working to the best of my ability every day to make a positive contribution to the citizens of the Mat-Su Valley.

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# Alaska Judicial Council Recommendation

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## Judge Vanessa H. White, Superior Court, Palmer

### Judicial Council Recommendation 2010

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### Judicial Council Evaluation

The Judicial Council surveyed thousands of Alaskans including peace and probation officers, court employees, attorneys, jurors, social workers/guardians ad litem, and child advocates about the judges on the ballot. Respondents were asked to rate judicial performance and to submit comments. The Council also reviewed the ratings and observations of the Alaska Judicial Observers, independent community-based volunteers. The Council reviewed the judge's peremptory challenge, recusals, and appellate affirmation and reversal rates; any civil or criminal litigation involving the judge; APOC and court system conflict-of-interest statements; any disciplinary files involving the judge; and whether a judge's pay was withheld for an untimely decision. The Council reviewed other court records and investigated judicial conduct in specific cases. The Council interviewed some judges, attorneys, and court staff, and held a statewide public hearing to obtain comments about judges.

	Attorney Survey	Peace Officer Survey	Juror Survey	Court Employee Survey	Social Workers Guardians ad Litem CASAs
Legal Ability	4.0	---	---	---	---
Impartiality	4.1	3.8	4.9	4.5	4.6
Integrity	4.3	4.2	---	4.6	4.6
Temperament	4.2	4.2	5.0	4.5	4.8
Diligence	4.2	4.1	---	4.5	4.6
Overall	4.1	4.2	5.0	4.5	4.6

Ratings are based on a one to five scale. Five is the best rating and three is "acceptable."

Rating Scale

5.0 = Excellent  
 4.0 = Good  
 3.0 = Acceptable  
 2.0 = Deficient  
 1.0 = Poor

### Summary of Survey Information

Survey respondents rated Judge White on the categories summarized in the table above, using 5 as the highest rating possible. The attorney rating for Judge White on overall performance was 4.1. Peace and probation officers gave Judge White a rating of 4.2. Jurors rated her 5.0 overall, court employees gave her 4.5, and social workers, guardians ad litem and CASA volunteers rated her at 4.6.

**Recommendation: Vote "YES" to retain Judge Vanessa H. White**

# District Court Judge

## Brian K. Clark, Third Judicial District



**MAILING ADDRESS:** 825 W. Fourth Avenue  
Anchorage, Alaska 99501

**AGE:** 44

**PLACE OF BIRTH:** Midland, Texas

**LENGTH OF RESIDENCY IN ALASKA:** 38 years

**ALASKAN COMMUNITIES LIVED IN:**

Anchorage 1972-1994, 1997-present  
Fairbanks 1994, September-December 7, 1994  
Barrow 1994 (December 7)-1997

**EDUCATION:**

Dimond High School (Anchorage, Ak), 1980-1984,  
Diploma  
University of Colorado (Boulder), 1984-1988, B.A.  
Linguistics  
Willamette University, College of Law (Salem, Or),  
1988-1991, J.D.

**POLITICAL and GOVERNMENT POSITIONS:**

Law Clerk, Oregon Department of Justice, 1989-1991  
Law Clerk, Alaska Court of Appeals, Judge David  
Mannheimer, 1991-1992  
Assistant District Attorney, Anchorage, Palmer,  
Fairbanks, Barrow, 1994-2000  
Assistant Attorney General, Office of Special  
Prosecutions and Appeals, 2000-2001  
Chief Assistant Attorney General, Office of Special  
Prosecutions and Appeals, 2001-2002

**BUSINESS and PROFESSIONAL POSITIONS:**

Lawyer, Lane Powell Spears Lubersky, 1992-1994

**SERVICE ORGANIZATION(S) MEMBERSHIP:**

Alaska Bar Association

**SPECIAL INTERESTS:**

Hiking, Tennis, Reading

**STATEMENT:**

I have lived in Alaska since 1972. After attending college and law school, I returned to Alaska because of my strong desire to stay in Alaska and serve the community where I was raised. As an Assistant District Attorney and Assistant Attorney General in Anchorage, Barrow, Fairbanks, and Palmer, I became familiar with the issues that face all Alaskans when they become involved with our justice system. This experience has enabled me to deal efficiently and fairly with the high volume of cases in the Anchorage district court. In criminal cases, I strive to make sentencing decisions that meet both the needs of the community and the victim, as well as addressing a defendant's rehabilitation. In civil cases, I listen carefully to the parties and take the time to reach decisions that are well reasoned and just.

Within the court system itself, I have worked collaboratively with other judges to make hearings more efficient for the public, and I have worked to ensure that participants in small claims cases have access to free mediators.

I am committed to treating everyone who becomes involved in our justice system fairly and with respect. I have greatly enjoyed both serving and being a member of this community for the past 38 years, and I hope to continue serving as a judge in Anchorage.

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# Alaska Judicial Council Recommendation

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## Judge Brian K. Clark, District Court, Anchorage

### Judicial Council Recommendation 2010

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### Judicial Council Evaluation

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	Attorney Survey	Peace Officer Survey	Juror Survey	Court Employee Survey	Social Workers Guardians ad Litem CASAs
Legal Ability	4.3	---	---	---	---
Impartiality	4.4	4.5	4.9	4.7	---
Integrity	4.6	4.6	---	4.7	---
Temperament	4.5	4.8	4.9	4.7	---
Diligence	4.3	4.6	---	4.7	---
Overall	4.4	4.6	4.9	4.7	---

Ratings are based on a one to five scale. Five is the best rating and three is "acceptable."

**Rating Scale**

5.0 = Excellent  
 4.0 = Good  
 3.0 = Acceptable  
 2.0 = Deficient  
 1.0 = Poor

### Summary of Survey Information

Survey respondents rated Judge Clark on the categories summarized in the table above, using 5 as the highest rating possible. The attorney rating for Judge Clark on overall performance was 4.4. Peace and probation officers gave Judge Clark a rating of 4.6. Jurors rated him 4.9 overall, and court employees gave him 4.7. No social workers, guardians ad litem or CASA volunteers rated Judge Clark. The Alaska Judicial Observers rated him 3.35.

**Recommendation: Vote "YES" to retain Judge Brian K. Clark**

# District Court Judge

## Catherine M. Easter, Third Judicial District



**MAILING ADDRESS:** 825 W. 4th Avenue  
Anchorage, AK 99501

**AGE:** 52

**PLACE OF BIRTH:** Pasadena, California

**NAME OF SPOUSE:** Craig Howard

**CHILDREN'S NAMES:** Riley and Clare

**LENGTH OF RESIDENCY IN ALASKA:** 25 years

**ALASKAN COMMUNITIES LIVED IN:**  
Anchorage 1985-Present

**EDUCATION:**  
Sacred Heart Forest Ridge 1972-76  
Seattle University 1976-80,  
BA French  
University of San Diego School of Law 1982-85

**POLITICAL and GOVERNMENT POSITIONS:**

District Court Judge, 2008-Present  
Office of Public Advocacy, 2007-08  
Alaska Public Defender Agency, 1986-2007  
Law Clerk, Judge Shortell 1985-86

**SERVICE ORGANIZATION(S) MEMBERSHIP:**  
Board Member Girl Scouts of Alaska

**SPECIAL INTERESTS:**  
Family, skiing, hiking, fishing, camping

**STATEMENT:**

It is a privilege and honor to serve the people of the State of Alaska as a District Court Judge. As a District Court Judge, I try to follow the law, to be fair to everyone in the courtroom and to make our judicial system work efficiently.

I believe our courts should be accessible to all people, including those who represent themselves. I try to treat everyone who comes to court with patience and respect.

I appreciate the recommendation of the Alaska Judicial Council and evaluations of my job performance by attorneys, police and probation officers, court employees and jurors. I hope to continue to serve the people of Alaska.

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# Alaska Judicial Council Recommendation

## Judge Catherine M. Easter, District Court, Anchorage

### Judicial Council Recommendation 2010

The Alaska Judicial Council is a non-partisan citizens' commission established by the Alaska constitution. Alaskan law requires the Council to evaluate judges' performance and authorizes the Council to recommend to voters whether judges should be retained in office. The Judicial Council reviews judges' integrity, diligence, legal ability, fairness, demeanor, ability to manage their caseloads, and overall performance of their judicial responsibilities in and out of the courtroom. The Judicial Council finds Judge Easter to be **Qualified** and recommends unanimously that the public vote **"Yes"** to retain her as a district court judge.

### Judicial Council Evaluation

The Judicial Council surveyed thousands of Alaskans including peace and probation officers, court employees, attorneys, jurors, social workers/guardians ad litem, and child advocates about the judges on the ballot. Respondents were asked to rate judicial performance and to submit comments. The Council also reviewed the ratings and observations of the Alaska Judicial Observers, independent community-based volunteers. The Council reviewed the judge's peremptory challenge, recusals, and appellate affirmance and reversal rates; any civil or criminal litigation involving the judge; APOC and court system conflict-of-interest statements; any disciplinary files involving the judge; and whether a judge's pay was withheld for an untimely decision. The Council reviewed other court records and investigated judicial conduct in specific cases. The Council interviewed some judges, attorneys, and court staff, and held a statewide public hearing to obtain comments about judges.

	Attorney Survey	Peace Officer Survey	Juror Survey	Court Employee Survey	Social Workers Guardians ad Litem CASAs
Legal Ability	4.5	---	---	---	---
Impartiality	4.6	4.5	4.9	4.6	---
Integrity	4.7	4.5	---	4.6	---
Temperament	4.7	4.6	4.9	4.7	---
Diligence	4.6	4.6	---	4.6	---
Overall	4.6	4.6	4.9	4.6	---

Ratings are based on a one to five scale. Five is the best rating and three is "acceptable."

**Rating Scale**  
 5.0 = Excellent  
 4.0 = Good  
 3.0 = Acceptable  
 2.0 = Deficient  
 1.0 = Poor

### Summary of Survey Information

Survey respondents rated Judge Easter on the categories summarized in the table above, using 5 as the highest rating possible. The attorney rating for Judge Easter on overall performance was 4.6. Peace and probation officers gave Judge Easter a rating of 4.6. Jurors rated her 4.9 overall, and court employees gave her 4.6. No social workers, guardians ad litem or CASA volunteers rated Judge Easter. The Alaska Judicial Observers rated her 3.62.

**Recommendation: Vote "YES" to retain Judge Catherine M. Easter**

# District Court Judge

## William L. Estelle, Third Judicial District



**AGE:** 56  
**PLACE OF BIRTH:** Palmer, Alaska  
**CHILDREN:** Five (two biological)  
all grown

**LENGTH OF RESIDENCY IN ALASKA:** 56 years

**ALASKAN COMMUNITIES LIVED IN:**

Palmer 1954-73  
Anchorage 1973-80 and 1983-85  
Bethel 1985-87  
Palmer 1987-present

**EDUCATION:**

Palmer High School 1968-72-Diploma  
University of Alaska Anchorage 1973-80 -  
Bachelor of Business Administration  
Duke University School of Law 1980-83-Juris Doctor

**POLITICAL and GOVERNMENT POSITIONS:**

Judicial Law Clerk  
Assistant Attorney General  
Assistant District Attorney  
State District Court Judge

**BUSINESS and PROFESSIONAL POSITIONS:**

Past President, Matanuska Bar Association

**SERVICE ORGANIZATION(S) MEMBERSHIP:**

Palmer Historical Society  
Alaska Historical Society  
Palmer Community Foundation

**SPECIAL INTERESTS:**

History, gardening, hiking and skiing

**STATEMENT:**

I love working in the Palmer District Court. This is the “ounce of prevention” court. We deal with the majority of the courts’ cases, 80% of the criminal cases, and deal with the widest variety of human misfortune. I look, in each case, for a “silver lining” under the theory that each is an opportunity for the person to get the education, skills and tools that can help them to avoid coming back to court as a party.

I believe that patience, respect and understanding go a long way toward helping people, who have been brought to court, to find their way to a better future, not only for themselves but for the community, the families, victims and others involved. Looking forward, I hope to continue to serve my community and to improve the quality of outcomes and legal practice in the Palmer Courts.

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# Alaska Judicial Council Recommendation

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## Judge William L. Estelle, District Court, Palmer

### Judicial Council Recommendation 2010

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### Judicial Council Evaluation

The Judicial Council surveyed thousands of Alaskans including peace and probation officers, court employees, attorneys, jurors, social workers/guardians ad litem, and child advocates about the judges on the ballot. Respondents were asked to rate judicial performance and to submit comments. The Council also reviewed the ratings and observations of the Alaska Judicial Observers, independent community-based volunteers. The Council reviewed the judge's peremptory challenge, recusals, and appellate affirmance and reversal rates; any civil or criminal litigation involving the judge; APOC and court system conflict-of-interest statements; any disciplinary files involving the judge; and whether a judge's pay was withheld for an untimely decision. The Council reviewed other court records and investigated judicial conduct in specific cases. The Council interviewed some judges, attorneys, and court staff, and held a statewide public hearing to obtain comments about judges.

	Attorney Survey	Peace Officer Survey	Juror Survey	Court Employee Survey	Social Workers Guardians ad Litem CASAs
Legal Ability	3.8	---	---	---	---
Impartiality	3.8	4.0	4.9	3.5	5.0
Integrity	4.1	4.2	---	3.9	5.0
Temperament	3.6	3.8	4.9	3.5	5.0
Diligence	3.7	4.2	---	3.7	5.0
Overall	3.6	4.0	4.9	3.7	5.0

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**Rating Scale**

5.0 = Excellent  
 4.0 = Good  
 3.0 = Acceptable  
 2.0 = Deficient  
 1.0 = Poor

### Summary of Survey Information

Survey respondents rated Judge Estelle on the categories summarized in the table above, using 5 as the highest rating possible. The attorney rating for Judge Estelle on overall performance was 3.6. Peace and probation officers gave Judge Estelle a rating of 4.0. Jurors rated him 4.9 overall, court employees gave him 3.7, and social workers, guardians ad litem and CASA volunteers rated him at 5.0.

**Recommendation: Vote "YES" to retain Judge William L. Estelle**

# District Court Judge

## Sharon A.S. Illsley, Third Judicial District



**MAILING ADDRESS:** 125 Trading Bay Drive  
Kenai, AK 99611

**AGE:** 54

**PLACE OF BIRTH:** Pueblo, Colorado

**NAME OF SPOUSE:** Glenn Illsley

**LENGTH OF RESIDENCY IN ALASKA:** 16 years

**ALASKAN COMMUNITIES LIVED IN:**

Kenai	1990-1998
Anchorage	2002-2007
Kenai	2007-2010

**EDUCATION:**

William Mitchell High School, Colorado Springs, CO  
1972-1975 Diploma

University of Colorado, Boulder, CO  
1975-1979, B.A. American Studies

University of Colorado School of Law,  
1979-1981, J.D.

University of Denver, Denver, CO  
1999-2001, Master of Laws in Taxation

**POLITICAL and GOVERNMENT POSITIONS:**

Deputy District Attorney in Jefferson County, Colorado,  
1984-1990

Assistant District Attorney in Kenai, Alaska 1990-1992

District Attorney in Kenai, Alaska 1993-1997

Assistant District Attorney in Anchorage, Alaska 2002-  
2007

District Court Judge in Kenai, Alaska 2007-Present

### STATEMENT:

I fell in love with Alaska when my husband and I came here on vacation in 1990. After I was fortunate enough to get an Assistant District Attorney position in Kenai, we moved to the Peninsula. I appreciated the opportunity to serve as District Attorney in Kenai or five years and as a prosecuting attorney in the violent crimes unit of the Anchorage District Attorney's Office from 2002 until I became a judicial officer in 2007. I have been honored to serve for over three years now as the only district court judge in Kenai.

The purpose of the court system is to serve the people. I strive to treat everyone with fairness and respect. I try to always make certain that the citizens who appear in court without attorneys understand what is happening and what options are available. Jurors fill an important role in the justice system and I am committed to honoring their time. I consider each case before me carefully and impartially and always strive to maintain the integrity that citizens are entitled to expect from judges.

It has been an honor and a privilege to serve Alaskans as the district court judge in Kenai. If retained, I will continue to serve to the utmost of my ability.

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# Alaska Judicial Council Recommendation

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## Judge Sharon A.S. Illsley, District Court, Kenai

**Judicial Council Recommendation 2010**

The Alaska Judicial Council is a non-partisan citizens' commission established by the Alaska constitution. Alaskan law requires the Council to evaluate judges' performance and authorizes the Council to recommend to voters whether judges should be retained in office. The Judicial Council reviews judges' integrity, diligence, legal ability, fairness, demeanor, ability to manage their caseloads, and overall performance of their judicial responsibilities in and out of the courtroom. The Judicial Council finds Judge Illsley to be **Qualified** and recommends unanimously that the public vote **"YES"** to retain her as a district court judge.

**Judicial Council Evaluation**

The Judicial Council surveyed thousands of Alaskans including peace and probation officers, court employees, attorneys, jurors, social workers/guardians ad litem, and child advocates about the judges on the ballot. Respondents were asked to rate judicial performance and to submit comments. The Council also reviewed the ratings and observations of the Alaska Judicial Observers, independent community-based volunteers. The Council reviewed the judge's peremptory challenge, recusals, and appellate affirmation and reversal rates; any civil or criminal litigation involving the judge; APOC and court system conflict-of-interest statements; any disciplinary files involving the judge; and whether a judge's pay was withheld for an untimely decision. The Council reviewed other court records and investigated judicial conduct in specific cases. The Council interviewed some judges, attorneys, and court staff, and held a statewide public hearing to obtain comments about judges.

	Attorney Survey	Peace Officer Survey	Juror Survey	Court Employee Survey	Social Workers Guardians ad Litem CASAs
Legal Ability	3.7	---	---	---	---
Impartiality	3.3	3.7	4.5	4.4	3.5
Integrity	3.8	3.8	---	4.5	5.0
Temperament	3.5	3.8	4.7	4.6	5.0
Diligence	3.9	3.8	---	4.4	5.0
Overall	3.6	3.7	4.7	4.5	4.0

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**Rating Scale**  
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 1.0 = Poor

**Summary of Survey Information**

Survey respondents rated Judge Illsley on the categories summarized in the table above, using 5 as the highest rating possible. The attorney rating for Judge Illsley on overall performance was 3.6. Peace and probation officers gave Judge Illsley a rating of 3.7. Jurors rated her 4.7 overall, court employees gave her 4.5, and social workers, guardians ad litem and CASA volunteers rated her at 4.0.

**Recommendation: Vote "YES" to retain Judge Sharon A.S. Illsley**

# District Court Judge

## Gregory J. Motyka, Third Judicial District



**AGE:** 60

**PLACE OF BIRTH:** New York, New York

**NAME OF SPOUSE:** Jennifer M. Jones

**LENGTH OF RESIDENCY IN ALASKA:** 30 years

**ALASKAN COMMUNITIES LIVED IN:**  
Anchorage 1980-Present

**EDUCATION:**  
Most Holy Trinity H.S. 1963-1967  
Polytechnic Institute of Brooklyn 1967-1971 BS  
Chemistry  
Brooklyn Law School 1972-1976 J.D.

**POLITICAL and GOVERNMENT POSITIONS:**  
District Court Judge, Anchorage, 1991-Present

**BUSINESS and PROFESSIONAL POSITIONS:**  
Alaska Bar Association

**SERVICE ORGANIZATION(S) MEMBERSHIP:**

Alaska Creative Woodworkers Association, President  
2007-present  
Saint Bernard Club of Alaska, Inc.

**SPECIAL INTERESTS:**

Golf, woodworking, band member, dogs

**STATEMENT:**

My 19-year service as a District Court Judge has been the most challenging and rewarding work of my career. So much so that although I am currently eligible to retire, I have decided to run for retention yet again.

The ten District Court Judges in Anchorage have to deal with approximately 15,000 new criminal and 12,000 new civil cases a year. The high volume nature of the court requires a judge to carefully balance the rights of the parties with the practical necessity of handling the caseload.

I will continue to uphold my promise to both the office and to the people of Alaska that I will administer justice fairly, impartially, promptly and with respect, to the best of my ability.

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# Alaska Judicial Council Recommendation

## Judge Gregory J. Motyka, District Court, Anchorage

### Judicial Council Recommendation 2010

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### Judicial Council Evaluation

The Judicial Council surveyed thousands of Alaskans including peace and probation officers, court employees, attorneys, jurors, social workers/guardians ad litem, and child advocates about the judges on the ballot. Respondents were asked to rate judicial performance and to submit comments. The Council also reviewed the ratings and observations of the Alaska Judicial Observers, independent community-based volunteers. The Council reviewed the judge's peremptory challenge, recusals, and appellate affirmation and reversal rates; any civil or criminal litigation involving the judge; APOC and court system conflict-of-interest statements; any disciplinary files involving the judge; and whether a judge's pay was withheld for an untimely decision. The Council reviewed other court records and investigated judicial conduct in specific cases. The Council interviewed some judges, attorneys, and court staff, and held a statewide public hearing to obtain comments about judges.

	Attorney Survey	Peace Officer Survey	Juror Survey	Court Employee Survey	Social Workers Guardians ad Litem CASAs
Legal Ability	4.1	---	---	---	---
Impartiality	4.2	4.4	4.7	4.6	3.0
Integrity	4.3	4.5	---	4.5	3.0
Temperament	4.1	4.3	4.7	4.5	---
Diligence	4.1	4.3	---	4.5	---
Overall	4.1	4.4	4.6	4.5	---

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**Rating Scale**

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### Summary of Survey Information

Survey respondents rated Judge Motyka on the categories summarized in the table above, using 5 as the highest rating possible. The attorney rating for Judge Motyka on overall performance was 4.1. Peace and probation officers gave Judge Motyka a rating of 4.4. Jurors rated him 4.6 overall, and court employees gave him 4.5. No social workers, guardians ad litem or CASA volunteers rated him overall. The Alaska Judicial Observers rated him 3.23.

**Recommendation: Vote "YES" to retain Judge Gregory J. Motyka**

# District Court Judge

## Richard Postma, Jr., Third Judicial District



**MAILING ADDRESS:** Boney Courthouse  
303 K Street  
Anchorage, Alaska 99501

**AGE:** 44

**PLACE OF BIRTH:** Lexington, Kentucky

**NAME OF SPOUSE:** Chandra

**LENGTH OF RESIDENCY IN ALASKA:** 13

**ALASKAN COMMUNITIES LIVED IN:**  
Anchorage, 2000-present  
Fairbanks, 1997-2000

**EDUCATION:**  
University of Denver College of Law (1991-1994),  
J.D.  
University of Colorado at Boulder (1988-1991),  
B.S., Business Finance  
Heritage High School, Littleton, Colorado (1980-1984)

**MILITARY SERVICE:**  
U.S. Army Judge Advocate General's Corp, 1995-  
2000, Captain, Honorable Discharge  
U.S. Army, Infantry, 1986-1988, Specialist,  
Airborne and Air Assault Badges, Active Army  
ROTC Scholarship Recipient, Honorable  
Discharge

**POLITICAL and GOVERNMENT POSITIONS:**  
Attorney General's Office, Labor & State Affairs  
Section (2003-2007); Trial Counsel and Special  
Assistant U.S. Attorney, US Army JAGC, Fort Bliss,  
Texas (1995-1997) and Fort Wainwright, Alaska  
(1997-2000)

**BUSINESS and PROFESSIONAL POSITIONS:**  
Associate Attorney, Lane Powell, P.C. (2001-2003),  
and Delaney Wiles, Inc. (2000-2001)

**SERVICE ORGANIZATION(S) MEMBERSHIP:**  
Alaska Bar Association; Judicial Division, American  
Bar Association; Anchorage Bar Association (Board  
Member); Alaska Court System Civil Rules Committee;  
Boys & Girls Club (Soccer Coach).

**SPECIAL INTERESTS:**  
Family Activities, Playing and Coaching Soccer;  
Golfing; Skiing (Downhill and cross-country); Running;  
Hiking; Fishing; Carpentry & Woodworking; Church  
and Volunteer Activities

**STATEMENT:**  
I have been privileged and honored to serve our  
community as a District Court Judge. I am committed  
to public service and am motivated to make our court  
system better. The Judicial Council's surveys show  
that jurors, attorneys and police officers who have  
been in court with me approve of my performance  
as a judge, my judicial temperament and legal ability,  
and have found me to be impartial, fair, diligent, and  
courteous and respectful to parties. Their ratings  
demonstrate my fitness and ability as a judge.

A court system should be open to internal  
accountability, change and improvement, and should  
follow the same rules and standards it expects of the  
public. Anchorage can have such a court system if it  
is willing to move beyond "that's the way we've always  
done it." Because judges should not cut corners,  
I have objected to the Anchorage practice of pre-  
signing orders before jail hearings. Because parties  
should know the reasons for a ruling, I issue written  
decisions when in the best interest of justice, even if  
not required by the rules. I have disagreed with the  
extensive use of a centralized calendaring system by  
the Anchorage District court, the only court in Alaska  
to use it, because it is inefficient and interferes with a  
judge's independent responsibility to manage cases.

Anchorage deserves a judge who will do what is right  
even when that is difficult. I am that judge. I would  
appreciate your continued support and your vote for  
retention.

Please visit [www.judgepostma.com](http://www.judgepostma.com).

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# Alaska Judicial Council Recommendation

## Judge Richard W. Postma, Jr. District Court, Anchorage

### Judicial Council Recommendation 2010

The Alaska Judicial Council is a non-partisan citizens' commission established by the Alaska constitution. Alaskan law requires the Council to evaluate judges' performance and authorizes the Council to recommend to voters whether judges should be retained in office. The Judicial Council reviews judges' integrity, diligence, legal ability, fairness, demeanor, ability to manage their caseloads, and overall performance of their judicial responsibilities *in and out of the courtroom*.

After becoming aware of concerns about Anchorage District Court Judge Richard Postma's judicial performance, the Alaska Judicial Council conducted an independent review and met with Judge Postma to provide him with an opportunity to be heard. After that review and meeting, the Judicial Council found that Judge Postma has experienced persistent difficulty in coping with the Anchorage District Court caseload and stressful situations. Judge Postma has lacked patience, dignity, and courtesy in his communications which has contributed to constant friction between Judge Postma and other judges, court administrators, and court staff. Judge Postma has a tendency to lose his temper. Judge Postma's characterization of past events has often been inconsistent with other documented information. Judge Postma has prioritized his personal needs over his judicial responsibilities.

A different and separate state entity, the Alaska Commission on Judicial Conduct has constitutional responsibility to address problems of judicial conduct and responsibility. The Commission has found probable cause that Judge Postma violated Alaska law and Alaska's Code of Judicial Conduct by engaging in inappropriate communications with fellow judges and court staff and by willfully violating confidentiality requirements. The Commission has also found probable cause that Judge Postma's personal needs take precedence over his judicial duties and require unreasonable accommodations. An independent mental health expert retained by the Alaska Commission on Judicial Conduct has determined that Judge Postma suffers from a combination of mental health difficulties that is or may become permanent and which render him unable to fulfill the duties of his office.

The Alaska Court System, a third independent constitutional body, unsuccessfully attempted to work with Judge Postma to improve the situation. The court decreased the judge's responsibilities, placed the judge on paid administrative leave, and temporarily assigned the judge to a different venue. These efforts have not been successful in improving Judge Postma's ability to function as a judge on the Anchorage District Court.

Judges must be fair and judicial in the courtroom and in their conduct off the bench. The Alaska Judicial Council concludes that, while performing acceptably on the bench, Judge Postma demonstrated an inability to function appropriately with other judges and court staff and that he did so in a manner that seriously interfered with the performance of his judicial duties, disrupted the functioning of the Anchorage District Court, and makes him unfit to retain his office. The Judicial Council finds Judge Postma to be **Unqualified** and recommends with a 5-1 vote that the public vote "No" on his retention as a district court judge.

### Summary of Survey Information

Survey respondents rated Judge Postma on the categories summarized in the table below, using 5 as the highest rating possible. The attorney rating for Judge Postma on overall performance was 3.7. Peace and probation officers gave Judge Postma a rating of 4.1. Jurors rated him 4.9 overall, and court employees gave him 3.1. No social workers, guardians ad litem or CASA volunteers rated Judge Postma. Alaska Judicial Observers rated him 2.86.

	Attorney Survey	Peace Officer Survey	Juror Survey	Court Employee Survey	Social Workers Guardians ad Litem CASAs
Legal Ability	3.9	---	---	---	---
Impartiality	3.8	4.1	4.9	3.4	---
Integrity	3.8	4.1	---	3.2	---
Temperament	3.7	4.0	5.0	3.0	---
Diligence	3.9	4.2	---	3.2	---
Overall	3.7	4.1	4.9	3.1	---

Ratings are based on a one to five scale. Five is the best rating and three is "acceptable."

**Rating Scale**

5.0 = Excellent  
4.0 = Good  
3.0 = Acceptable  
2.0 = Deficient  
1.0 = Poor

**Recommendation: Vote "NO" on the retention of Judge Richard W. Postma, Jr.**

# District Court Judge

## Stephanie Rhoades, Third Judicial District



**MAILING ADDRESS:** 825 West Fourth Avenue  
Anchorage, AK 99501

**AGE:** 52

**PLACE OF BIRTH:** Newton, Massachusetts

**LENGTH OF RESIDENCY IN ALASKA:** 24 years

**ALASKAN COMMUNITIES LIVED IN:**  
Anchorage September 1986 to present

**EDUCATION:**  
Needham High School (Needham, Massachusetts),  
Diploma  
University of Massachusetts, College of Public and  
Community Service (Boston, Massachusetts),  
1983, B.A. Legal Services  
Northeastern University School of Law (Boston,  
Massachusetts) 1986, J.D.

**POLITICAL and GOVERNMENT POSITIONS:**  
District Court Judge, 1992-present  
Assistant District Attorney, District Attorney's Office  
(Anchorage), 1988-1992  
Law clerk, Alaska Supreme Court, 1986-1987

**BUSINESS and PROFESSIONAL POSITIONS:**  
Founder, Anchorage Coordinated Resources Project  
(Mental Health Court)

**SERVICE ORGANIZATION(S) MEMBERSHIP:**  
Lead Food Coordinator  
Project Homeless Connect, Anchorage

**STATEMENT:**

It has been my honor since August of 1992 to serve the people of the State of Alaska as a district court judge.

The vast majority of you who have contact with any court in the state have contact with the district court.

Many people appear in the district court without attorneys. I am committed to providing individuals who seek to have legal issues resolved in the court with the same kind of access to the justice system that individuals with lawyers have.

Many of you have or will serve as jurors. I am committed to treating jurors with courtesy and appreciation for their service.

I strive to treat all people who come to the court - individuals, attorneys, jurors and others - with respect and fairness and to assist them in understanding and using their court system.

If retained, I will continue to uphold my oath of office by providing the public with an accessible, fair and impartial forum for dispute resolution.

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# Alaska Judicial Council Recommendation

## Judge Stephanie Rhoades, District Court, Anchorage

### Judicial Council Recommendation 2010

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### Judicial Council Evaluation

The Judicial Council surveyed thousands of Alaskans including peace and probation officers, court employees, attorneys, jurors, social workers/guardians ad litem, and child advocates about the judges on the ballot. Respondents were asked to rate judicial performance and to submit comments. The Council also reviewed the ratings and observations of the Alaska Judicial Observers, independent community-based volunteers. The Council reviewed the judge's peremptory challenge, recusals, and appellate affirmation and reversal rates; any civil or criminal litigation involving the judge; APOC and court system conflict-of-interest statements; any disciplinary files involving the judge; and whether a judge's pay was withheld for an untimely decision. The Council reviewed other court records and investigated judicial conduct in specific cases. The Council interviewed some judges, attorneys, and court staff, and held a statewide public hearing to obtain comments about judges.

	Attorney Survey	Peace Officer Survey	Juror Survey	Court Employee Survey	Social Workers Guardians ad Litem CASAs
Legal Ability	3.8	---	---	---	---
Impartiality	3.5	4.2	4.8	4.3	4.3
Integrity	3.9	4.4	---	4.3	4.3
Temperament	3.1	4.2	4.9	4.2	4.7
Diligence	3.9	4.2	---	4.3	4.7
Overall	3.6	4.2	4.8	4.3	4.7

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 3.0 = Acceptable  
 2.0 = Deficient  
 1.0 = Poor

### Summary of Survey Information

Survey respondents rated Judge Rhoades on the categories summarized in the table above, using 5 as the highest rating possible. The attorney rating for Judge Rhoades on overall performance was 3.6. Peace and probation officers gave Judge Rhoades a rating of 4.2. Jurors rated her 4.8 overall, court employees gave her 4.3, and social workers, guardians ad litem and CASA volunteers rated her at 4.7. The Alaska Judicial Observers rated her 3.54.

**Recommendation: Vote "YES" to retain Judge Stephanie Rhoades**

# District Court Judge

## John Wolfe, Third Judicial District



**MAILING ADDRESS:** 435 South Denali Street  
Palmer, AK 99645

**AGE:** 52

**PLACE OF BIRTH:** Big Spring, Texas

**NAME OF SPOUSE:** Kimber Wolfe

**CHILDREN'S NAMES:** Benjamin Wolfe, 35  
Elias Wolfe, 31  
Erin Wolfe, 26

**LENGTH OF RESIDENCY IN ALASKA:** 13 years

**ALASKAN COMMUNITIES LIVED IN:**

Bethel	1997 to 1999
Soldotna	1999 to 2003
Dillingham	2003 to 2005
Palmer	2005 to present

**EDUCATION:**

Poland High School, Alexandria, La., Diploma 1975  
University of Oklahoma, B.S. Mathematics 1980  
University of Oklahoma, J.D. 1983

**POLITICAL AND GOVERNMENT POSITIONS:**

1985 to 1997 - Assistant District Attorney, 24th District of Oklahoma  
1997 - 1998 - Assistant District Attorney, Bethel, Alaska  
1998 - 1999 - District Attorney, Bethel, Alaska

1999 to 2003 - Assistant District Attorney, Kenai, Alaska  
2003 to 2005 - Assistant District Attorney, Dillingham, Alaska  
2005 to present - District Court Judge, Palmer, Alaska

**BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL POSITIONS:**

1983 to 1985 - Associate, Tolle and Parish Law Firm, Okemah, Oklahoma

**SERVICE ORGANIZATION(S) MEMBERSHIP:**

Alaska Bar Association, Mat-Su Bar Association

**SPECIAL INTERESTS:**

Hiking, travel.

**STATEMENT:**

It has been a privilege for me to serve as a District Court Judge. I am grateful for the positive recommendation of the Alaska Judicial Council.

I am honored to be a member of what I believe to be among the finest judicial systems in the country.

I work hard to provide a forum that is fair to all parties and to treat all who appear before me with courtesy and respect. I try to consider each case in a careful, impartial and thoughtful manner and to render a judgment that is impartial and in accordance with the law.

I have welcomed opportunities to promote respect for democratic principles and our system of justice by speaking to groups such as youth court graduations and by participating in mock trial with school classes.

The job of a judge requires constant study to remain current in the law and to learn new ways to improve the administration of justice. In addition to private study, I have pursued educational opportunities such as legal seminars to improve my performance as a judge.

I have always strived to conduct myself with integrity, humility and diligence. If retained I will continue to perform my duties to the best of my ability and endeavor to be worthy of the job entrusted to me.

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# Alaska Judicial Council Recommendation

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## Judge John W. Wolfe, District Court, Palmer

### Judicial Council Recommendation 2010

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### Judicial Council Evaluation

The Judicial Council surveyed thousands of Alaskans including peace and probation officers, court employees, attorneys, jurors, social workers/guardians ad litem, and child advocates about the judges on the ballot. Respondents were asked to rate judicial performance and to submit comments. The Council also reviewed the ratings and observations of the Alaska Judicial Observers, independent community-based volunteers. The Council reviewed the judge's peremptory challenge, recusals, and appellate affirmation and reversal rates; any civil or criminal litigation involving the judge; APOC and court system conflict-of-interest statements; any disciplinary files involving the judge; and whether a judge's pay was withheld for an untimely decision. The Council reviewed other court records and investigated judicial conduct in specific cases. The Council interviewed some judges, attorneys, and court staff, and held a statewide public hearing to obtain comments about judges.

	Attorney Survey	Peace Officer Survey	Juror Survey	Court Employee Survey	Social Workers Guardians ad Litem CASAs
Legal Ability	3.7	---	---	---	---
Impartiality	3.8	4.2	4.7	4.4	4.0
Integrity	4.1	4.4	---	4.5	5.0
Temperament	4.1	4.3	4.9	4.4	4.0
Diligence	4.0	4.3	---	4.4	3.0
Overall	3.9	4.4	4.8	4.5	4.0

Ratings are based on a one to five scale. Five is the best rating and three is "acceptable."

**Rating Scale**

- 5.0 = Excellent
- 4.0 = Good
- 3.0 = Acceptable
- 2.0 = Deficient
- 1.0 = Poor

### Summary of Survey Informaion

Survey respondents rated Judge Wolfe on the categories summarized in the table above, using 5 as the highest rating possible. The attorney rating for Judge Wolfe on overall performance was 3.9. Peace and probation officers gave Judge Wolfe a rating of 4.4. Jurors rated him 4.8 overall, court employees gave him 4.5, and social workers, guardians ad litem and CASA volunteers rated him at 4.0.

**Recommendation: Vote "YES" to retain Judge John W. Wolfe**

# Superior Court Judge

## Douglas L. Blankenship, Fourth Judicial District



**MAILING ADDRESS:** 101 Lacey Street  
Fairbanks, AK 99709

**AGE:** 57

**PLACE OF BIRTH:** Piqua, Ohio

**NAME OF SPOUSE:** Vicki

**LENGTH OF RESIDENCY IN ALASKA:** 30 years

**ALASKAN COMMUNITIES LIVED IN:**

Fairbanks 1975-1977, 1980-81; 1985-90;  
1991-present  
Juneau 1990-1991

**EDUCATION:**

Miami University, Oxford, Ohio 1972-73  
Ohio State University 1973-76 BA Political Science  
Gonzaga University School of Law J.D. 1980

**POLITICAL and GOVERNMENT POSITIONS:**

Deputy Attorney General 1990-1991  
Asst. Attorney General 1991-1996  
Superior Court Judge 2006 to present  
Presiding Judge of the Fourth Judicial District  
2008 to present

**BUSINESS and PROFESSIONAL POSITIONS:**

Owner Blankenship Law Office 1997-2006  
Associate Attorney Birch, Horton, Bittner, and Cherot  
1987-1990  
Associate Call, Barret, and Burbank 1985-1987

**SERVICE ORGANIZATION(S) MEMBERSHIP:**

Alaska Bar Association  
Fairbanks Salvation Army  
(past Board Member 1986-1990; 1996-2005)

**SPECIAL INTERESTS:**

Outdoor activities, Sports

**STATEMENT:**

It has been a privilege and an honor to serve our state and community as a Superior Court Judge for the past four years. I believe the purpose of the court system is to serve all people equally and fairly. I believe the charge to a judge is to interpret the law as enacted by the legislature as representatives of the people. I endeavor to treat all people who appear in court with fairness, dignity, and respect. I am committed to honoring the time of jurors and providing access to justice for all participants, including those without attorneys. I listen to and consider each participant's view of the proper outcome of every case. I work hard to do the best job possible because I understand every case brought before me is very important to the parties, in particular, and in general, to Alaskans, because our citizens expect our justice system to be fair and impartial.

In addition to my regular superior court caseload, I am the Presiding Judge of the Fourth Judicial District, the judge presiding over the Fairbanks Juvenile Treatment Court, a member of the statewide Civil Rules Committee, and a member of the statewide Child in Need of Aid Court Improvement Project.

If retained, I will continue to work hard to meet my responsibility to efficiently and fairly resolve all matters brought before me and to attempt to improve the justice system in our state.

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# Alaska Judicial Council Recommendation

## Judge Douglas L. Blankenship, Superior Court, Fairbanks

### Judicial Council Recommendation 2010

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### Judicial Council Evaluation

The Judicial Council surveyed thousands of Alaskans including peace and probation officers, court employees, attorneys, jurors, social workers/guardians ad litem, and child advocates about the judges on the ballot. Respondents were asked to rate judicial performance and to submit comments. The Council also reviewed the ratings and observations of the Alaska Judicial Observers, independent community-based volunteers. The Council reviewed the judge's peremptory challenge, recusals, and appellate affirmance and reversal rates; any civil or criminal litigation involving the judge; APOC and court system conflict-of-interest statements; any disciplinary files involving the judge; and whether a judge's pay was withheld for an untimely decision. The Council reviewed other court records and investigated judicial conduct in specific cases. The Council interviewed some judges, attorneys, and court staff, and held a statewide public hearing to obtain comments about judges.

	Attorney Survey	Peace Officer Survey	Juror Survey	Court Employee Survey	Social Workers Guardians ad Litem CASAs
Legal Ability	3.6	---	---	---	---
Impartiality	3.7	3.7	4.6	4.2	4.3
Integrity	4.0	4.1	---	4.3	4.5
Temperament	3.6	3.9	4.6	4.1	4.3
Diligence	3.6	4.1	---	4.1	4.3
Overall	3.6	4.0	4.6	4.2	4.3

Ratings are based on a one to five scale. Five is the best rating and three is "acceptable."

Rating Scale

5.0 = Excellent  
 4.0 = Good  
 3.0 = Acceptable  
 2.0 = Deficient  
 1.0 = Poor

### Summary of Survey Information

Survey respondents rated Judge Blankenship on the categories summarized in the table above, using 5 as the highest rating possible. The attorney rating for Judge Blankenship on overall performance was 3.6. Peace and probation officers gave Judge Blankenship a rating of 4.0. Jurors rated him 4.6 overall, court employees gave him 4.2, and social workers, guardians ad litem and CASA volunteers rated him at 4.3.

**Recommendation: Vote "YES" to retain Judge Douglas L. Blankenship**

# Superior Court Judge

## Marvin C. Hamilton III, Fourth Judicial District



**MAILING ADDRESS:** PO Box 130  
Bethel, Alaska 99559

**E-MAIL:** [mhamilton@courts.state.ak.us](mailto:mhamilton@courts.state.ak.us)

**AGE:** 55

**PLACE OF BIRTH:** Glendale, California

**NAME OF SPOUSE:** Mili

**CHILDREN'S NAMES:** Whitney & McKinley

**LENGTH OF RESIDENCY IN ALASKA:** 14 years

**ALASKAN COMMUNITIES LIVED IN:**

Anchorage	1987-1988, 1989-1990
Barrow	1988-1989, 1990-1991
Ketchikan	2005-2007
Bethel	2000-2005, 2007-present

**EDUCATION:**  
San Diego State University, Bachelor of Arts,  
Philosophy (1978)  
University of Notre Dame, Kellogg Institute of  
International Studies, Graduate Certificate, African  
Studies (1987)  
Notre Dame Law School, Juris Doctor (1987)

### **POLITICAL AND GOVERNMENT POSITIONS:**

United States Peace Corps, Kenya, East Africa  
(1981-1983)  
Assistant Public Defender, Alaska (1988-1991, 2000-  
2007)  
Public Defender, Federated States of Micronesia  
(1991-1996)  
Chief Public Defender, Republic of Palau (1996-2000)  
Superior Court Judge, Bethel (2007-present)

### **SPECIAL INTERESTS:**

Bethel Actor's Guild (BAG), Bethel Softball League,  
Bethel Lion's Club, Bethel Amateur Radio Klub  
(BARK)

### **STATEMENT:**

I have great regard for Alaska, the Delta and its people. Our children enrolled in Yupik Immersion School, danced in the Cama-i festival, attended basketball camp and acted in local theater. Despite the bitter winds (and our tropical roots), Bethel has won us over and become our home.

I understand the awesome responsibility of being a judge. Consequently, I do my best to decide matters carefully and impartially, according to the law and with an eye to the unique facts of each case.

I also know how traumatic and intimidating the legal process can be. Recognizing this, I try to treat everyone in my courtroom with empathy, humanity and respect.

The last three years have been challenging and rewarding, especially in Therapeutic Court, where we have helped repeat offenders battle their addictions and emerge as healthy spouses, supportive parents and productive citizens.

I appreciate the privilege of serving in Bethel, and I would welcome the chance to continue working hard to deliver justice to the Delta with courtesy, compassion and common sense.

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# Alaska Judicial Council Recommendation

## Judge Marvin C. Hamilton, III, Superior Court, Bethel

### Judicial Council Recommendation 2010

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### Judicial Council Evaluation

The Judicial Council surveyed thousands of Alaskans including peace and probation officers, court employees, attorneys, jurors, social workers/guardians ad litem, and child advocates about the judges on the ballot. Respondents were asked to rate judicial performance and to submit comments. The Council also reviewed the ratings and observations of the Alaska Judicial Observers, independent community-based volunteers. The Council reviewed the judge's peremptory challenge, recusals, and appellate affirmance and reversal rates; any civil or criminal litigation involving the judge; APOC and court system conflict-of-interest statements; any disciplinary files involving the judge; and whether a judge's pay was withheld for an untimely decision. The Council reviewed other court records and investigated judicial conduct in specific cases. The Council interviewed some judges, attorneys, and court staff, and held a statewide public hearing to obtain comments about judges.

	Attorney Survey	Peace Officer Survey	Juror Survey	Court Employee Survey	Social Workers Guardians ad Litem CASAs
Legal Ability	4.2	---	---	---	---
Impartiality	3.9	2.9	4.6	4.4	---
Integrity	4.2	2.9	---	4.4	---
Temperament	4.3	3.7	4.8	4.4	---
Diligence	4.2	3.4	---	4.4	---
Overall	4.1	3.1	4.6	4.4	---

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**Rating Scale**

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 4.0 = Good  
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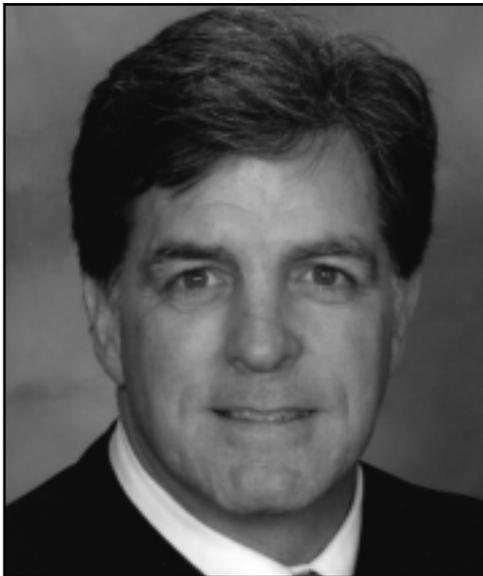
### Summary of Survey Information

Survey respondents rated Judge Hamilton on the categories summarized in the table above, using 5 as the highest rating possible. The attorney rating for Judge Hamilton on overall performance was 4.1. Peace and probation officers gave Judge Hamilton a rating of 3.1. Jurors rated him 4.6 overall, and court employees gave him 4.4. No social workers, guardians ad litem or CASA volunteers rated Judge Hamilton.

**Recommendation: Vote "YES" to retain Judge Marvin C. Hamilton, III**

# Superior Court Judge

## Michael A. MacDonald, Fourth Judicial District



**MAILING ADDRESS:** 101 Lacey St.  
Fairbanks, AK 99701

**AGE:** 55

**PLACE OF BIRTH:** Boston, MA

**NAME OF SPOUSE:** Kathleen

**CHILDREN'S NAMES:** Sean & Nick

**LENGTH OF RESIDENCY IN ALASKA:** 30 years

**ALASKAN COMMUNITIES LIVED IN:**  
Anchorage 1980-1982  
Fairbanks 1982-present

**EDUCATION:**  
Brockton High School, Brockton MA;  
Choate School, Wallingford CT;  
Harvard College, Cambridge, MA, A.B. 1978;  
University of New Mexico, Albuquerque, NM, J.D.  
1988.

**POLITICAL and GOVERNMENT POSITIONS:**  
Superior Court Judge, appointed 2007

**BUSINESS and PROFESSIONAL POSITIONS:**  
Private practice, 1988-2007

### **SERVICE ORGANIZATION(S) MEMBERSHIP:**

Arctic Lions Hockey Association, director and coach;  
Alaska Girls' and Women's Hockey Association, member;  
Fairbanks Area Hockey Association, past coach and past director;  
Alaska State Hockey Association, associate coach-in-chief;  
Fairbanks Hockey Hall of Fame, director;  
North Star Little League, past coach;  
Boy Scouts, past leader and past committee member;  
Alaska Lacrosse, director;  
North Star Children's Choir, past director;  
National Rifle Association, past member;  
Saint Raphael's Catholic Church, member;  
Knights of Columbus, member

### **SPECIAL INTERESTS:**

Youth sports and community activities

### **STATEMENT:**

It has been a privilege to serve as a Superior Court Judge. My years in private practice and my community involvement have been helpful to me on the bench. Working in many different areas of the law, working with many of Fairbanks' attorneys, and being involved in the community have given me an understanding of the law, the litigants, and Fairbanks. I strive to give everyone that comes before the court a fair and respectful hearing. I work hard to be knowledgeable in the law, to decide the case impartially based on the law, and to render decisions as promptly as possible. If retained, I will continue to serve Fairbanks to the best of my ability.

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# Alaska Judicial Council Recommendation

## Judge Michael A. MacDonald, Superior Court, Fairbanks

**Judicial Council Recommendation 2010**

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**Judicial Council Evaluation**

The Judicial Council surveyed thousands of Alaskans including peace and probation officers, court employees, attorneys, jurors, social workers/guardians ad litem, and child advocates about the judges on the ballot. Respondents were asked to rate judicial performance and to submit comments. The Council also reviewed the ratings and observations of the Alaska Judicial Observers, independent community-based volunteers. The Council reviewed the judge's peremptory challenge, recusals, and appellate affirmance and reversal rates; any civil or criminal litigation involving the judge; APOC and court system conflict-of-interest statements; any disciplinary files involving the judge; and whether a judge's pay was withheld for an untimely decision. The Council reviewed other court records and investigated judicial conduct in specific cases. The Council interviewed some judges, attorneys, and court staff, and held a statewide public hearing to obtain comments about judges.

	Attorney Survey	Peace Officer Survey	Juror Survey	Court Employee Survey	Social Workers Guardians ad Litem CASAs
Legal Ability	4.1	---	---	---	---
Impartiality	4.0	4.0	4.7	4.8	3.9
Integrity	4.3	4.0	---	4.8	4.3
Temperament	4.2	4.1	4.8	4.8	3.9
Diligence	4.1	4.2	---	4.8	3.7
Overall	4.0	4.1	4.8	4.8	4.2

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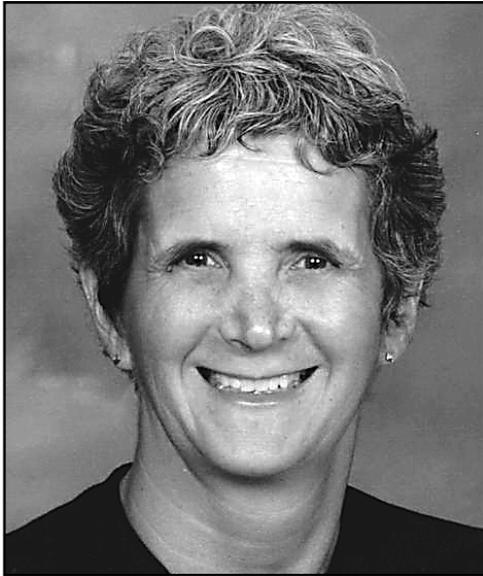
**Summary of Survey Information**

Survey respondents rated Judge MacDonald on the categories summarized in the table above, using 5 as the highest rating possible. The attorney rating for Judge MacDonald on overall performance was 4.0. Peace and probation officers gave Judge MacDonald a rating of 4.1. Jurors rated him 4.8 overall, court employees gave him 4.8, and social workers, guardians ad litem and CASA volunteers rated him at 4.2.

**Recommendation: Vote "YES" to retain Judge Michael A. MacDonald**

# District Court Judge

## Jane F. Kauvar, Fourth Judicial District



**MAILING ADDRESS:** 101 Lacey Street  
Fairbanks, AK 99701

**AGE:** 62

**PLACE OF BIRTH:** Denver, CO

**NAME OF SPOUSE:** John Athens

**CHILDREN'S NAMES:** Marika, Allison, Noah

**LENGTH OF RESIDENCY IN ALASKA:** 37 years

**ALASKAN COMMUNITIES LIVED IN:** Fairbanks  
1973-present

**EDUCATION:**  
George Washington High School, 1963-1966  
Scripps College, 1966-1968  
University of Colorado, 1968-1970, B.A.  
Boalt Hall School of Law, 1970-1973, J.D.

**POLITICAL AND GOVERNMENT POSITIONS:**  
District Court Judge, 1981 - present  
Assistant Public Defender, State of Alaska,  
1976 - 1981  
Assistant District Attorney, State of Alaska,  
1974 - 1975

**BUSINESS and PROFESSIONAL POSITIONS:**

Magistrate Training Judge, 2009 - present  
Judicial Conduct Commission, 2008 - present  
Deputy Presiding Judge District Court, 1997 - present  
Pro Tem Superior Court Judge, 1986 - present

**SERVICE ORGANIZATION(S) MEMBERSHIP:**

Gals Read Program  
We the People and Project Citizen, Volunteer Judge

**SPECIAL INTERESTS:** Soccer, bicycling, reading, knitting

**STATEMENT:**

I have served as a District Court Judge in Fairbanks for over twenty-five years. I have served as a Superior Court Judge ("pro tem") on a regular basis, and I have also been appointed as an Acting Superior Court Judge. I am grateful for the opportunity to serve the public, and I believe that I can offer the community the benefits of my many years of experience as a judge. I am committed to continuing to provide prompt, courteous and fair hearings for every person who appears in court.

In addition, I am committed to the Fairbanks community. I have lived here for over thirty-five years, I was married here, and our three children were born and raised here. Throughout the years, I have been actively involved in various community programs and with education. I go to schools to speak, and to read with Gals Read program. In addition, I have school children come to court to learn about the legal system by doing their own mock trials. I volunteer to judge for civic programs at the local, state, and national levels. I actively participate in many of the running events held throughout the year, and I play soccer with a women's soccer team.

I appreciate the community's past confidence in me as a judge, and I will continue to earn that confidence.

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# Alaska Judicial Council Recommendation

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## Judge Jane F. Kauvar, District Court, Fairbanks

### Judicial Council Recommendation 2010

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### Judicial Council Evaluation

The Judicial Council surveyed thousands of Alaskans including peace and probation officers, court employees, attorneys, jurors, social workers/guardians ad litem, and child advocates about the judges on the ballot. Respondents were asked to rate judicial performance and to submit comments. The Council also reviewed the ratings and observations of the Alaska Judicial Observers, independent community-based volunteers. The Council reviewed the judge's peremptory challenge, recusals, and appellate affirmance and reversal rates; any civil or criminal litigation involving the judge; APOC and court system conflict-of-interest statements; any disciplinary files involving the judge; and whether a judge's pay was withheld for an untimely decision. The Council reviewed other court records and investigated judicial conduct in specific cases. The Council interviewed some judges, attorneys, and court staff, and held a statewide public hearing to obtain comments about judges.

	Attorney Survey	Peace Officer Survey	Juror Survey	Court Employee Survey	Social Workers Guardians ad Litem CASAs
Legal Ability	3.9	---	---	---	---
Impartiality	3.9	2.7	4.8	4.3	4.5
Integrity	4.1	3.2	---	4.3	5.0
Temperament	3.8	3.0	4.9	4.1	5.0
Diligence	3.8	3.0	---	4.1	5.0
Overall	3.8	2.8	4.8	4.3	5.0

Ratings are based on a one to five scale. Five is the best rating and three is "acceptable."

**Rating Scale**  
 5.0 = Excellent  
 4.0 = Good  
 3.0 = Acceptable  
 2.0 = Deficient  
 1.0 = Poor

### Summary of Survey Information

Survey respondents rated Judge Kauvar on the categories summarized in the table above, using 5 as the highest rating possible. The attorney rating for Judge Kauvar on overall performance was 3.8. Peace and probation officers gave Judge Kauvar a rating of 2.8. Jurors rated her 4.8 overall, court employees gave her 4.3, and social workers, guardians ad litem and CASA volunteers rated her at 5.0.

**Recommendation: Vote "YES" to retain Judge Jane F. Kauvar**

# **Supplemental Information**

Political Parties

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### **Do you oppose**

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The origins of the Alaskan Independence Party date back to the early 1970's, but it wasn't until 1984 that it became an "officially recognized" party by the State of Alaska. Advocating an "**Alaska First**" policy focused around land and resource development, AIP has since emerged as one of the most significant state-level third parties operating in the late 20<sup>th</sup> century.

**The AIP** believes full compliance with the Constitutions of the United States and the State of Alaska is necessary.

**The AIP** supports and defends States' Rights, Individual Rights, and the Equal Footing Doctrine as guaranteed by the constitutions of the United States and the state of Alaska.

**The AIP** supports a constitutional amendment abolishing and prohibiting all property taxes.

**The AIP** supports the right of the individual to keep and bear arms.

**The AIP** supports the complete abolition of the concept of sovereign or governmental immunity, so as to restore accountability for public servants.

**The AIP** supports providing for the direct popular election of the attorney general, all judges, and all magistrates.

**The AIP** supports the right of jurors to judge the law as well as the facts, according to their conscience.

**The AIP** supports the rights of parents to privately or home school their children.

**The AIP** wishes to preserve and protect the Alaska Permanent Fund, earnings, and individual Permanent Fund Dividends.

**The AIP** advocates the convening of a State Constitutional Convention at the constitutionally designated 10 year interval.

The Alaskan Independence Party is the only Alaskan political party that is entirely comprised of Alaskans, staffed by Alaskans and financed by Alaskans.

We affirm that all political power is inherent in the people; that all government originates with the people, if founded on their will only, is instituted to protect the rights of the individual. We affirm all persons have a natural right to life, liberty, the pursuit of happiness, and the enjoyment of the rewards of their own industry; that all persons are equal and entitled to equal protection under the law. We stand on a firm constitutional foundation, embracing the Bill of Rights and Declaration of Independence.

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## **ALASKA PUBLIC OFFICES COMMISSION**

### **WHY DOES APOC EXIST?**

The mission of the Alaska Public Offices Commission is to encourage public confidence in elected and appointed public officials by administering and enforcing Alaska's disclosure statutes and publishing financial information about election campaigns, public officials, lobbyists and lobbyist employers.

### **LAWS ADMINISTERED BY APOC**

The Alaska Public Offices Commission administers and enforces four disclosure laws: AS 15.13 Campaign Disclosure, AS 24.45 Lobbying, AS 39.50 Public Official Financial Disclosure, and AS 24.60 Legislative Financial Disclosure. These laws require the disclosure of information that enables citizens to trace the influence of private interests on public decision-making. This disclosure helps to limit privileged influence through revealing special interests and exposing conflicts of interest. The laws are designed to develop accountability in government by giving the public access to information to judge the credentials and performance of public officials and candidates for public offices. The disclosure reports filed with APOC are public records.

### **WHO IS THE COMMISSION?**

The two political parties whose candidates for governor received the most votes at the most recent gubernatorial election each nominate two commission members. The four members nominate a fifth member from applicants from the general public. The governor appoints and the legislature confirms the nominations. Terms are for five years, with a different term expiring each year. The commission currently consists of two Republican Party members, two Democratic Party members, and one public member. The commission has offices and staff in Anchorage and Juneau.

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# DESIGNED for SUSTAINABILITY

*Alaska Permanent Fund Corporation*

## LETTER FROM THE CHAIR

After two years of negative returns, markets began to recover last year, providing the Permanent Fund with a positive return of 11.7 percent for the Fiscal Year 2010. While it is certainly good to see gains instead of losses, it is important to keep in mind that markets are volatile and economic conditions remain uncertain. That is why it is so important for the Board of Trustees to remain focused on the long-term goals of the Fund, maintaining a well-diversified portfolio.

Alaska state law says that one of the goals of the Fund is to serve Alaskans of all generations, including the generations to come. The Fund's portfolio must be designed for sustainability over time. The Trustees must be equally mindful of keeping the investment risk in the portfolio within acceptable limits while seeking positive returns.

Immediately before the start of the fiscal year, we adopted a new method of categorizing the Fund's assets. This didn't change what the Fund was invested in; it simply changed how we view the Fund's investments to better understand the investment risk in the portfolio. For example, in difficult economic conditions, corporate bonds will have the same negative performance as stocks. So it is more appropriate to look at all of the exposure that the Fund has to corporations when assessing risk, rather than looking at stocks and corporate bonds separately. The Fund's target asset allocation by both traditional asset classes and the new risk categories are shown on the next page.

The performance of the recent past doesn't completely reflect the performance of the Permanent Fund over time. Since 1977 the Fund has taken in \$14.7 billion in deposits from mineral royalties, court settlements and special transfers that the Legislature made from the General Fund. During that same period, the Fund paid out \$18.4 billion in dividends to Alaskans and still ended Fiscal Year 2010 with a value of \$33.3 billion. This simple "checkbook" accounting is a clear way to see that the Permanent Fund has been and continues to be an overwhelming success, one that Alaskans should be proud of creating. Through the Fund, we've taken a portion of our nonrenewable mineral resources and turned them into a renewable financial resource that will benefit present and future generations.

Sincerely,

Steve Frank  
Chair, APFC Board of Trustees

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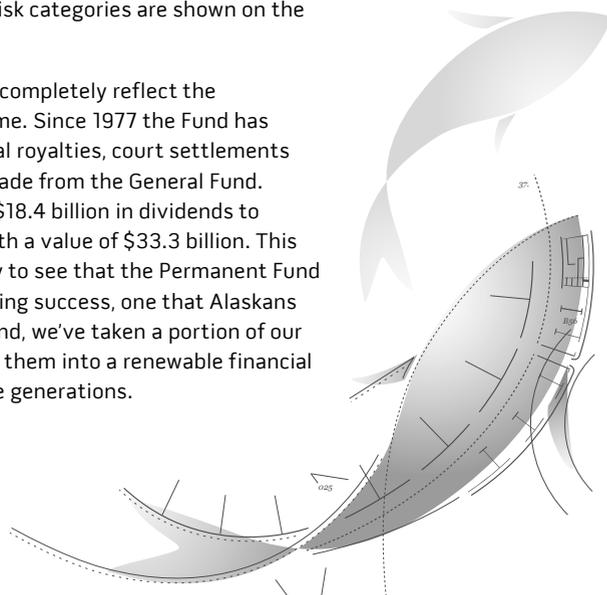
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**WHAT IS THE ALASKA PERMANENT FUND?**

The Permanent Fund is an investment fund created by Alaskans in 1976 as a way to save a portion of our oil revenues for the needs of future generations. On June 30, 2010, the Fund was worth \$33.3 billion.

**WHO MANAGES THE PERMANENT FUND?**

The Alaska Permanent Fund Corporation manages the day-to-day operations of the Fund and is overseen by a six-member Board of Trustees appointed by the governor and selected for their experience in finance, investments or other business-related fields.

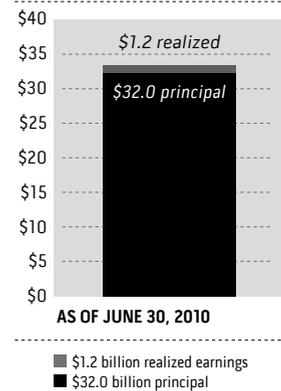
**HOW DOES THE FUND WORK?**

The Fund is divided into two parts, principal (nonspendable) and earnings (assigned), both of which are fully invested. The Alaska Constitution says that the principal may not be spent. The earnings in the earnings reserve account may be spent by the Legislature for any purpose it wishes. Currently, earnings are only used for the Permanent Fund Dividend and transfers to the Alaska Capital Income Fund.

**HOW DOES MONEY GO INTO THE EARNINGS RESERVE ACCOUNT?**

Realized earnings go into the earnings reserve account. This is the income from bond interest, real estate rent payments, stock dividends and the gains from assets that are sold at a profit. Unrealized earnings remain in principal until the assets are sold.

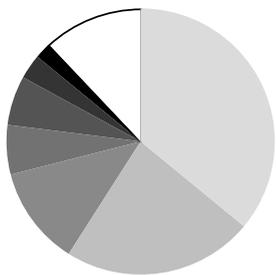
*A TWO-PART FUND*  
(In Billions)



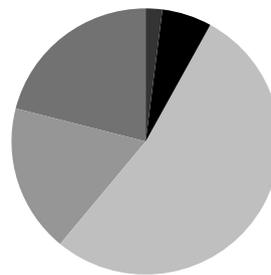
**HOW IS THE FUND INVESTED?**

Originally, the Fund was only invested in bonds. Now it is invested in a number of different asset classes, which earn income and can grow in value. By diversifying the Fund into these different assets, the Trustees ensure that it is better protected for the future. When one asset class has a down year, it is often balanced by good performance in other asset classes.

In 2009, the Board of Trustees added a new aspect to the asset allocation with the creation of risk-based categories. While the underlying investments didn't change, grouping investments by the economic conditions that affect them allows the staff and Trustees to better understand how the Fund will perform under different market conditions.



*APFC TARGET ASSET ALLOCATION*  
By Traditional Asset Classes For Fiscal Year 2010



*APFC TARGET ASSET ALLOCATION*  
By Economic Condition For Fiscal Year 2010

- 36% U.S. Stocks
- 23% U.S. Bonds
- 12% Real Estate
- 6% Private Equity
- 6% Absolute Return
- 3% Infrastructure Investments
- 2% Cash
- 12% Other

- 2% Cash
- 6% Interest Rates
- 53% Company Exposure
- 18% Real Assets
- 21% Special Opportunities

## BALANCE SHEETS

ASSETS	2010	2009	Net Change	Percent
Cash and Temporary Investments	\$ 1,519,515,000	2,385,558,000	(866,043,000)	-36%
Receivables, Prepaid Expenses and Other Assets	238,963,000	701,379,000	(462,416,000)	-66%
Investments	32,696,290,000	29,262,254,000	3,434,036,000	12%
Securities Lending Collateral Invested	2,598,126,000	2,084,425,000	513,701,000	25%
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>\$ 37,052,894,000</b>	<b>34,433,616,000</b>	<b>2,619,278,000</b>	<b>8%</b>
<b>LIABILITIES</b>				
Accounts Payable	\$ 341,974,000	1,576,478,000	(1,234,504,000)	-78%
Income Distributable to the State of Alaska	857,983,000	856,644,000	1,339,000	0%
Securities Lending Collateral	2,598,126,000	2,084,425,000	513,701,000	25%
<b>Total Liabilities</b>	<b>3,798,083,000</b>	<b>4,517,547,000</b>	<b>(719,464,000)</b>	<b>-16%</b>
<b>FUND BALANCES</b>				
Nonspendable — Principal				
Contributions and Appropriations	31,624,137,000	30,944,699,000	679,438,000	2%
Unrealized Appreciation (Depreciation) - Invested Assets	420,837,000	(1,448,614,000)	1,869,451,000	129%
<b>Total Nonspendable</b>	<b>32,044,974,000</b>	<b>29,496,085,000</b>	<b>2,548,889,000</b>	<b>9%</b>
Assigned				
Realized Earnings	1,193,949,000	440,610,000	753,339,000	171%
Unrealized Appreciation (Depreciation) - Invested Assets	15,888,000	(20,626,000)	36,514,000	177%
<b>Total Assigned</b>	<b>1,209,837,000</b>	<b>419,984,000</b>	<b>789,853,000</b>	<b>188%</b>
<b>Total Fund Balances</b>	<b>33,254,811,000</b>	<b>29,916,069,000</b>	<b>3,338,742,000</b>	<b>11%</b>
<b>Total Liabilities and Fund Balances</b>	<b>\$ 37,052,894,000</b>	<b>34,433,616,000</b>	<b>2,619,278,000</b>	<b>8%</b>

### HOW IS THE DIVIDEND DETERMINED?

Each year, the dividend distribution is calculated using a formula set in state law. The statutory net income of the Fund for the past five years is averaged, and the resulting amount is divided in half. This is the amount that is available for the dividend. Once the dividend has been calculated, the next step is to determine if enough income is available in the earnings reserve account to pay the dividend. It is possible that in a given year, while the calculation may produce a dividend amount, the balance of the earnings reserve is not sufficient to pay some or all of it. Once the maximum amount payable has been determined, the lump sum is sent to the Permanent Fund Dividend Division where it is divided by the number of eligible applicants that year.



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*STATEMENTS OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES  
AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES*

REVENUES	2010	2009	Net Change	Percent
Interest, Dividends, Real Estate and Other Income	\$ 800,634,000	961,084,000	(160,450,000)	-17%
Increase (Decrease) in the Fair Value of Investments	2,792,457,000	(7,287,655,000)	(10,080,112,000)	138%
<b>Total Revenues</b>	<b>3,593,091,000</b>	<b>(6,326,571,000)</b>	<b>9,919,662,000</b>	<b>157%</b>
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>				
Operating Expenditures	(69,092,000)	(61,214,000)	(7,878,000)	13%
Other Legislative Appropriations	(6,712,000)	(6,628,000)	(84,000)	1%
<b>Total Expenditures</b>	<b>(75,804,000)</b>	<b>(67,842,000)</b>	<b>(7,962,000)</b>	<b>12%</b>
<b>Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures</b>	<b>\$ 3,517,287,000</b>	<b>(6,394,413,000)</b>	<b>9,911,700,000</b>	<b>-155%</b>
<b>OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)</b>				
Transfers In – Dedicated State Revenues	679,438,000	651,435,000	28,003,000	4%
Transfers Out – Appropriations	(857,983,000)	874,844,000	16,861,000	-2%
<b>Net Change in Fund Balances</b>	<b>3,338,742,000</b>	<b>(6,617,822,000)</b>	<b>9,956,564,000</b>	<b>150%</b>
<b>FUND BALANCES</b>				
Beginning of Period	29,916,069,000	36,533,891,000	(6,617,822,000)	-18%
End of Period	\$ 33,254,811,000	29,916,069,000	3,338,742,000	11%

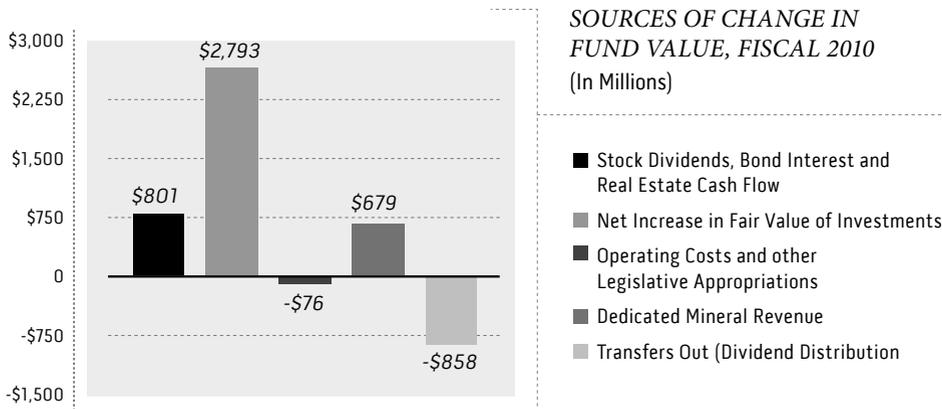
**HOW DOES THE FUND GROW?**

The Fund has three sources of potential growth each year, which are listed below. For FY10, the additions and subtractions from the Fund's total value are listed in the Sources of Change in Fund Value graph.

- The state Constitution directs that at least 25% of Alaska's mineral royalties (primarily oil

royalties) be deposited into the Fund.

- Income flows in from stock dividends, bond interest and real estate rental fees.
- Assets can increase (or decrease) in value over the original purchase price, whether they are sold or held in the portfolio.





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