

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT FOR THE STATE OF ALASKA  
THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT AT PALMER

In the Matter of the: )  
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Continuation of Pre-Trial Conferences )  
Scheduled for March 19 and 20, 2020 )  
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DPJ Order # 3PA-20-01

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) has advised people to take precautions in light of the COVID-19 outbreak and that the best way to prevent illness is to avoid being exposed to this virus. On March 15, 2020, the Supreme Court of Alaska, in Special Order No. 8130, ordered that all new jury trials statewide would cease for the week of March 16, 2020 and thereafter pending further order. Pre-trial conferences, as well as jury trials, are large gatherings of litigants and their attorneys and members of the public. In light of the global pandemic, such gatherings pose a serious public health risk as outlined in CDC guidance.

Therefore:

All pre-trial conferences scheduled for Thursday, March 19, 2020 in front of Judge Woodman are continued to Thursday, April 16, 2020 at 2:30 p.m. with corresponding trial week of May 4, 2020.

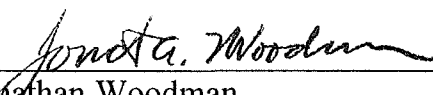
All pre-trial conferences scheduled for Friday, March 20, 2020 in front of Judge Cagle are continued to Friday, April 17, 2020 at 8:30 a.m. with corresponding trial week of May 4, 2020.

These circumstances provide good cause under Alaska Criminal Rule 45(d)(7) to postpone these pretrial conference and associated trial dates. The period between the effective date of this order and the date that each criminal trial is rescheduled is tolled for purposes of calculating Rule 45.

Any litigant who wishes to bring a matter concerning their case to the attention of the court may file a motion setting forth the issues that need to be addressed in that individual case.

The situation regarding the coronavirus pandemic is changing rapidly. The court will issue further orders as necessary.

DATED at Palmer, Alaska this 1<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2020.

  
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Jonathan Woodman  
Deputy Presiding Judge, Palmer Trial Courts