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## **Chief Justice Appoints Melanie Bahnke of Nome to Redistricting Board**

**Anchorage, Alaska, August 6, 2020**

Today Chief Justice Joel Bolger selected Melanie Bahnke from Nome as his appointee to the Redistricting Board. Under the Alaska Constitution, the board is comprised of five members. Two are appointed by the governor, then one is appointed by the senate president, and one by the speaker of the house. Following those appointments the chief justice makes the final appointment. There must be at least one appointee from each judicial district; Melanie Bahnke is from the Second Judicial District.