



## **Press Release**

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### **Trials Scheduled In The Nesbett and Boney Courthouses In Anchorage August 31 Through Noon On September 2, 2015 To Be Rescheduled**

**Anchorage, Alaska, August 12, 2015.** As a result of the anticipated security restrictions in the downtown area associated with the U.S. State Department's Conference on Global Leadership in the Arctic and the President's participation in that conference, trials and non-emergency hearings scheduled in the Nesbett and Boney Courthouses in Anchorage on August 31 through noon on September 2, 2015 will be postponed and rescheduled. Trials are being rescheduled due to concerns about jurors, litigants, and the public's ability to timely access the Anchorage courthouses during anticipated downtown road and parking lot closures and restricted traffic flow.

The Boney and Nesbett courthouses and the Anchorage Jail Court will remain open for proceedings such as arraignments, emergency domestic violence petitions, emergency child in need of aid petitions, warrant requests, bail hearings, and other emergency proceedings. Sections of the court system which provide statewide services via the internet and phone, including the Family Law Self-Help Center, will also remain open. The customer service desks in both courthouses and the clerks' office in both courthouses will remain open to accept filings and paperwork.

Judge William Morse, Presiding Judge of the Third Judicial District, issued a Presiding Judge order viewable here: <http://courts.alaska.gov/jord/3rd-pjorder-648.pdf>. The order includes additional details on the suspension and rescheduling of trials in Anchorage. Litigants in Anchorage Superior Court will be contacted by judicial chambers with details on rescheduling trials and hearings. Litigants in Anchorage District Court will be contacted by District Court calendaring with rescheduling information. Jurors scheduled for jury duty the week of August 31<sup>st</sup> should call in on Wednesday evening September 2, 2015 for possible service on Thursday, September 3, or Friday, September 4, 2015.

Specific plans are subject to changes and updates as the court system receives additional information about the event. Please refer to the court system website <http://courts.alaska.gov/index.htm> for up-to-date information on rescheduled trials and hearings and the accessibility of the courthouses.

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