

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

ORDER NO. 1285

Amending Administrative Rule 18
concerning court hours.

IT IS ORDERED:

Administrative Rule 18 is amended to read:

**Rule 18. Superior and District Courts — Time
and Place of Sitting.**

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(b) **Magistrates — Time of Sitting — Office Hours.** Magistrates shall sit in the conduct of trials and hearings as the business of their courts and the status of their calendars require. Offices of full-time magistrates shall be open to the public for the transaction of business during business hours from 8:00 a.m. until 4:30 p.m. on all days except judicial holidays and Saturdays. Offices of part-time magistrates shall be open to the public for the transaction of business as prescribed by the presiding judge.

In addition, magistrates shall be available at all times:

(1) ~~To~~ To issue arrest warrants ~~of arrest~~, search warrants, and summonses in criminal cases;

(2) ~~To~~ To set bail;

(3) As may be necessary to conduct proceedings required under Criminal Rule 5,

District Court Criminal Rule 1, CINA Rule 5
and Delinquency Rule 5; and

(4) ~~To perform coroner's duties~~ make
emergency appointments of temporary property
custodians under AS 22.15.110(a)(3).

~~However, w~~Weekend and holiday duty must
be equitably shared between magistrates and
other judges except at court locations at
which committing magistrates have been hired
to perform weekend and holiday duty.

~~During such times as a district or
superior court judge may be holding court in
the same community, the magistrate may be
required to act as clerk of the district
court.~~

(c) Courts Open During Noon Hour. All
courts with more than two employees will be
open for business during the noon hour (12:00
noon to 1:00 p.m.).

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/s/
Chief Justice Matthews

/s/
Justice Compton

/s/
Justice Eastaugh

/s/
Justice Fabe

/s/
Justice Bryner