**12.03A ASSAULT OR BATTERY — "TOUCHING" DEFINED**

For purposes of these instructions, a “touching” is contact with any part of the plaintiff's body, contact with anything physically attached to the plaintiff's body, or contact with anything held by the plaintiff. A touching also includes causing an object or substance, such as water, to make contact with the plaintiff’s body.

# **Use Note**

Use as an insertion for either Instruction 12.01 or 12.02.

# **Comment**

There are no Alaska cases which define "touching." This instruction is derived from Dan B. Dobbs et al., *The Law of Torts* § 36 (2d ed. 2011).