

IN THE TRIAL COURTS FOR THE STATE OF ALASKA  
SECOND JUDICIAL DISTRICT

In Re: )  
)  
**Remote and In-Person** )  
**Criminal Hearings** )  
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**Presiding Judge**  
**Administrative Order No. 24-01**

This order governs remote and in-person participation in certain criminal hearings in the Second Judicial District. Pursuant to Supreme Court Order 2012, unless otherwise specified by the hearing judge, the hearing format is as follows:<sup>1</sup>

**All uncontested pre-trial hearings will be held remotely:** pre-trial conferences, pre-indictment hearings, preliminary hearings, discovery and omnibus hearings.

**All contested hearings will be held in-person:** evidentiary hearings, contested felony sentencings<sup>2</sup>, sentencings for A and Unclassified felonies, and sentencings for any degree of sexual assault or sexual abuse of a minor.

Attorneys must request permission at least three days in advance from the assigned judge to participate in any contested hearing by telephone or video conference.

**IT IS SO ORDERED.**

Dated this 23<sup>rd</sup> Day of January, 2024 at Kotzebue, Alaska.



PAUL A. ROETMAN  
Presiding Judge  
Second Judicial District

<sup>1</sup> Supreme Court Order 2012, issued August 15, 2023, effective November 13, 2023, requires the “presumptive format” to be set by the presiding judge for certain criminal hearings.

<sup>2</sup> For purposes of this order, “contested felony sentencings” are cases where jail and/or probations conditions are open to the Court.

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