

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

SPECIAL ORDER OF THE CHIEF JUSTICE

ORDER NO. 8184

Regarding Grand Jury and Preliminary Examinations

Some court locations have had great difficulty resuming grand jury proceedings due to the spread of COVID-19, the resulting restrictions on public gatherings and transportation, and the lack of adequate facilities to allow social distancing. Therefore, under the authority of Supreme Court Order No. 1957,

IT IS ORDERED that the time limits for preliminary examination under Alaska Criminal Rule 5(e) are extended beginning March 23 through October 2, 2020 and may be extended thereafter as provided in that rule. The continuation of this extension will be reviewed on or shortly after September 18.

DATED: August 10, 2020



Joel H. Bolger
Chief Justice

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