

**IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF ALASKA**  
**ORDER NO. 1702**

Amending Criminal Rule 3(a)  
concerning signing of criminal  
complaints.

**IT IS ORDERED:**

Criminal Rule 3(a) is amended to read as follows:

**Rule 3. The Complaint.**

(a) The complaint is a written statement of the essential facts constituting the offense charged. A citation issued for the commission of a misdemeanor or a violation shall have the same force and effect as a complaint and shall be filed as a complaint; provided, that the citation satisfies the requirements of a valid complaint as provided by these rules. A complaint or citation shall be made upon oath or affirmation before any person authorized by law to administer oaths or affirmations, or signed with a certification under penalty of perjury that the complaint or citation is true.

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DATED: May 14, 2009

EFFECTIVE DATE: October 15, 2009

/s/  
Chief Justice Fabe

/s/  
Justice Eastaugh

/s/  
Justice Carpeneti

/s/  
Justice Winfree

/s/  
Justice Christen