

## Biographical Statement

Name Rhonda F. Butterfield

Position(s) for which you wish to be considered:

Anchorage Superior Court

Date: September 13, 2011



Over the course of 35 years as a participant and observer in Alaska's justice system, I have come to believe that the most important aspect of the system is that people want and deserve to be treated fairly, without bias, and to have their facts and opinions heard and fairly considered. Litigants deserve substantive decisions whenever possible, rather than having judges refuse to make decisions or to wait so long that justice delayed truly is justice denied.

As a judge, I would be most conscientious of both actual fairness and the perception of fairness to all parties. I believe in following the rules of procedure and evidence, and treating all persons respectfully. I believe that my extensive civil and criminal experience, both public and private, equips me well to do that.