

Biographical Statement

Name R Poke Haffner

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

Superior Court Bethel

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I arrived in Fairbanks in fall 1980 to work for Justice Jay Rabinowitz. Next, I worked in Anchorage in a private firm for a year and then at Alaska Legal Services in Anchorage until 1986 and in Fairbanks 1986-88. I joined the Attorney General's Office in Fairbanks in 1989, initially representing CSED (CSSD) and adding CINA and delinquency cases on the North Slope in mid-1983.

Between 1996 and 2000 I lived overseas, primarily in Germany and Portugal.

I returned to the Attorney General's Office in 2001, first in Bethel for 8 months and then in Fairbanks. I represented DJJ in delinquency cases until the DAO took over that work; I represented OCS (DFYS) through fall 2010. I was responsible for mental commitment cases during that time. Since then I have represented DOTPF. In that position I am involved in condemnation cases, commercial-vehicle enforcement, contract and procurement, and other civil matters.