



# alaska judicial council

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Re: Three vacancies on the Anchorage Superior Court

Dear Member of the Alaska Bar Association:

The Alaska Judicial Council is seeking applicants for three vacancies on the **Anchorage Superior Court** due to the impending retirements of Judge Mark Rindner, Judge Frank A. Pfiffner, and Judge John Suddock. The Council previously solicited applications for two positions but has decided to add the third, and extended the deadline for the Anchorage positions, due to the timing of the vacancies. This letter provides essential information about the positions and the application deadline. A position description is attached. For more information, please contact the Judicial Council at 279-2526, or by e-mail at [sdipietro@ajc.state.ak.us](mailto:sdipietro@ajc.state.ak.us).

Alaska judges must conform their conduct to the Alaska Code of Judicial Conduct and the laws of Alaska and the United States. They must be familiar with Alaska law, procedure, and trial practice. A **superior court judge** must meet the qualifications set out at AS 22.10.090. He or she must: be a citizen of the United States and of the State of Alaska; be a resident of Alaska for five years immediately preceding appointment; have engaged in the active practice of law, as defined in AS 22.05.070, for not less than five years immediately preceding appointment; and must be licensed to practice law in Alaska at the time of appointment.

The annual salary of a judge on the Anchorage Superior Court is \$189,720. Judges also receive personal leave as established by the Administrative Rules of Court, state-paid health and dental benefits, and judicial retirement system benefits.

An application form for these positions may be obtained by writing or calling the Alaska Judicial Council. Application forms may also be obtained on-line by visiting the Council's Internet site: [www.ajc.state.ak.us](http://www.ajc.state.ak.us). Applicants will be considered for all three positions. **Completed applications for these positions must be received by the Alaska Judicial Council no later than 3:00 p.m. on February 9, 2018.**

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Susanne DiPietro".

Susanne DiPietro  
Executive Director