

ALASKA JUDICIAL COUNCIL
APPLICATION FOR JUDICIAL APPOINTMENT

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Court of Appeals Court(s) Date: June 25, 1990

for which you wish
to be considered

I. PUBLIC INFORMATION (Os. 1-21)

PERSONAL

1. (a) State full name David Mannheimer

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(b) Have you ever used or been known by any other name? If so, please
identify _____

* Unless otherwise specified, this is how your name will appear on the bar
survey.

6. How long have you been a resident of the State of Alaska immediately preceding the date of this application? ** 15 years 9 months
7. How long have you been engaged in the active practice of law immediately preceding the date of this application? **
15 years 9 months

** See AS 22.10.090; see also 1984 Inf. Op. Atty. Gen. (July 19; 366- 624-84).

NONLEGAL EDUCATION

8. State names and dates of attendance of all colleges and professional schools (other than law schools) ever attended and degrees and dates conferred. List any honors.

Stanford University (Stanford, CA), 1966-1970; B.A. in philosophy awarded in
June, 1970; graduated with distinction and with departmental honors; also
phi beta kappa

LEGAL EDUCATION

9. List all law schools, dates attended and degrees conferred. If you did not receive a degree from any law school, please indicate.

University of California at Berkeley (Boalt Hall), 1971-1974; J.D. awarded
in June, 1974

10. (a) Did you receive any honors in law school or belong to any honorary societies or groups? No If so, please give details.

(b) Have you taken any CLE (continuing legal education) courses for which you have received credit during the past five years.

Yes X No Please describe: A Lawyer's Guide to Writing (7.2);
1990 Northern Justice Conference (12)

MILITARY

11. Have you served in the armed forces (reserves or otherwise)? No

If so, please provide the following information:

- (a) Dates of service. _____
- (b) Branch of service. _____
- (c) Rank at time of discharge. _____
- (d) Awards or citations. _____

NONLEGAL EMPLOYMENT

12. Describe major nonlegal working experience, if any.

Fiddler in two bluegrass bands, one in Fairbanks (1976-1978) and one in
Anchorage (1979-1985)

13. Describe major nonlegal business or professional experience, if any. If your association has been discontinued, please note whether there are unpaid debts or claims pending litigation.

None

LEGAL EXPERIENCE

14. Describe chronologically your legal employment since admission to law school. Please provide dates, name of employer, name of supervisor, addresses, and brief description of type of practice (i.e., insurance defense, criminal, appellate, general, litigation, etc.).

During law school, I was an unpaid student intern for 3 semesters. In the spring semester of 1973, I worked in the consumer protection branch of the Alameda County (Oakland, CA) District Attorney's Office. I and another law student, posing as a married couple, answered advertisements that offered free gifts, free trips, amazingly low prices, etc.. I can't remember the attorney who was in charge; my immediate supervisor was an investigator named Bernard Hughes. In the fall of 1973 and the spring of 1974, I interned at Solano County Legal Services in Vallejo, CA. My supervisor was Alberto Zavala. I helped people with landlord/tenant problems, consumer complaints, marriage dissolutions, etc..

Aug. 1974 to Nov. 1976 -- Asst. District Attorney in Fairbanks. I did criminal trials and appeals. My supervisors were Catherine Chandler and Harry L. Davis.

Nov. 1976 to Aug. 1978 -- Asst. Attorney General in Fairbanks. I did general civil litigation (child support enforcement, wage claim enforcement, trespass to state lands, etc.) and I also handled juvenile delinquency matters. My supervisors were William Mellow and Douglas Mertz.

Aug. 1978 to Mar. 1985 -- Asst. Attorney General in the Office of Special Prosecutions & Appeals in Anchorage. My work was primarily criminal appellate litigation. I was also co-counsel in an insurance fraud prosecution that ended in an 8-week trial. My supervisor was Peter A. Michalski.

Mar. 1985 to present -- I became the head of the office when Peter Michalski left. I still carry a reduced appellate caseload, but about 50% of my time is spent in administration. My supervisor is Larry R. Weeks in Juneau.

15. For the past five years, please indicate (approximately) the following:

(a) Percent of your practice that was Civil 5% Criminal 95%
Other _____ = 100%

Comment: _____

(b) Percent State 85 Federal 15 Other _____ = 100%

Comment: the federal litigation is habeas corpus petitions filed by
state prisoners

(c) Of practice in state courts, percent: Supreme Court 50
Court of Appeals 40
Superior Court 10
District Court _____
= 100%

Comment: _____

(d) Frequency of appearance in court: Regularly ___;
Occasionally X; Infrequently ___ Not at All ___;

Comment: Almost all my court appearances are oral arguments

(e) Number of cases in trial courts of record you tried to verdict or
judgment (rather than settled) in the past 5 years:

X None ___ 1 to 5 ___ 6 to 15 ___ 16 to 30 ___ 31 or more

Comment: _____

(f) Percent of these trials which were: Jury ___ Non-Jury ___

Comment: _____

(g) Approximate number of appellate matters handled: 225;

Comment: _____

(h) Have you undertaken any pro bono work during this period?

Yes ___ No X

Describe: _____

16. List all the courts and administrative tribunals in the United States or elsewhere to which you are or have been admitted to practice, and the dates of admission.

Alaska Supreme Court (10/24/74); U.S. District Court (Dist. of Alaska) (7/7/75);
U.S. Supreme Court (5/1/78); U.S. Court of Appeals, 9th Circuit (6/2/81)

PUBLIC SERVICE

17. List bar associations, sections and committees of which you are or have been a member or officer. Alaska Bar Association committees: Law Examiners (June 1983 to June 1988); Revision of the Rules of Professional Responsibility (Dec. 1985 to June 1989); Planning Committee for 1990 Northern Justice Conference (Sept. 1989 to June 1990). Supreme Court Criminal Rules Committee (May 1985 to present); special committee on telephonic court proceedings (spring and summer, 1984). American Bar Association, criminal law section (1978 to present).
18. List legal publications, if any (give title, subject and date of publications):

None

19. Have you ever applied for a judgeship? Please list dates and judgeship applied for:

JUDGESHIP

DATE

Superior Court, Anchorage

March, 1989

20. Have you ever held public or political office, elective or appointive? Yes If so, state office, manner selected, and when and where held.

Asst. District Attorney, Fairbanks Aug. 1974 to Nov. 1976

Asst. Attorney General, Fairbanks Nov. 1976 to Aug. 1978

Asst. Attorney General, Anchorage (OSPA) Aug. 1978 to present

(and notary public, April 1979 to present)

21. List all nonlegal organizations and clubs of which you are a member, including civic, charitable, religious, educational, social and fraternal. (Please indicate whether you participate in the organization's activities, or simply hold a membership.)

I contribute money to: Anchorage Museum Assn., Radio station KSKA, Television station KAKM, Alaska Zoo, Anchorage Concert Assn., Alaska Junior Theater, Anchorage Business Park Wetlands Coalition, Mothers Against Drunk Driving, Greenpeace, American Civil Liberties Union, Southern Poverty Law Center, Nature Conservancy, Wilderness Society, Amnesty International, Gray Panthers, National Organization for Women, Planned Parenthood, Handgun Control, Gorilla Foundation, Phi Beta Kappa, Central Organization for Jewish Education, Stanford University, Boalt Hall School of Law, and United Way of Anchorage

I contribute money and actively participate in Congregation Beth Shalom, the Jewish synagogue in Anchorage; I am on the religious education committee.