

# Alaska Judicial Council

## Judicial Applicant Biographical Statement

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**Name:** Matthew Stinson

**Position(s):** Anchorage District Court

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I was born in Minnesota, but my parents moved back to Alaska when I was two. I spent my early childhood in Fairbanks, but have lived in Anchorage since 2000, aside from time away for graduate studies.

I grew up fishing, hiking, and spending time outdoors, and have a strong connection to the state and its communities. I earned my undergraduate degree in history, with a minor in philosophy, from the University of Alaska Anchorage. I completed a dual J.D./M.Div. program at Pepperdine University, graduating in 2020.

After law school, I clerked for Judge Kevin Saxby in Anchorage, and then served as a prosecutor in the Anchorage District Attorney's Office. I currently work as the ethics attorney for the Department of Law, advising public officers on the Executive Branch Ethics Act, Department attorneys on the Rules of Professional Conduct, and reviewing ethics complaints involving state officers.