

**Alaska Judicial Council  
Application for Judicial Appointment**

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

Date: August 1, 2007

**I. Public Information (Questions 1-24)**

**Personal**

1. (a) State full name\* Paul Raymond Lyle  
Name as it should appear on bar survey: Paul Lyle  
\* Unless otherwise specified, this is how your name will appear on the bar survey.
- (b) Have you ever used or been known by any other name? If so, please identify  
No.

2. How long have you been a resident of the State of Alaska immediately preceding the date of this application? \*\*  
Total 25 years 10 months
3. How long have you been engaged in the active practice of law immediately preceding the date of this application? \*\*  
Total 28 years 3 months

**Nonlegal Education**

4. 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.

Temple University, 1971-1975, B.B.A 1975 (magna cum laude) (President's scholar)

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

## Legal Education

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

Temple University School of Law 1975-1978, J.D. (1978)

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

- (b) Have you taken any CLE (continuing legal education) courses during the past five years?  
 Yes  No

Please describe or list. Please do not attach individual certificates of attendance.

5/2007 Alaska Bar Assoc.-- Federal/State Bench seminar; 3/2007 Indian Law AGO in-house seminar (presenter); 6/2006 Alaska Bar Assoc. Native Law section seminar (presenter); 3/2005 Legal Writing seminar (AGO in-house seminar by Prof. Terrell); 2003 Two Exec. Ethics Act Seminars (presenter); 8/2002 Legal Writing seminar (AGO in-house seminar by Prof. Terrell); 4/2002 Claims Avoidance & Evidence in a Digital World (AGO seminar to DOT staff) (presenter); 1/2002 Native Law section meeting on TERO Enforcement

## Military

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

If so, please provide the following information:

(a) Dates of service: 01/07/1979 to 11/30/1982

(b) Branch of service: Army, Judge Advocate General Corps

(c) Rank at time of discharge: Captain

(d) Type of military discharge: Honorable

(e) Awards or citations:

Army Service Ribbon  
Army Commendation Medal  
Overseas Service Ribbon

- (f) Have you ever been refused admission to or released from any of the armed services for reasons other than honorable discharge?  Yes  No If so, state the details.

## Nonlegal Employment

8. Describe major nonlegal working experience. If you had a business or association that has been discontinued, please note whether there are unpaid debts or claims pending litigation.

Part-time employment while attending high school and college

1. Stein's Florists, Phila Pa.

2. Ballard, Spahr, Andrews and Ingersoll, Phila. Pa. Law firm - (messenger department and law library assistant)

## Legal Experience

9. Describe chronologically your legal employment since admission to law school. **Please provide dates, name of employer, name of supervisor or person who can verify employment, addresses, the reason you left the position, and a brief description of type of practice (i.e., insurance defense, criminal, appellate, general, litigation, etc.) for each position listed below.**

The Council will ask for comments from your current and former employers about your employment and your judicial qualifications. You may choose to list other persons as character and professional references in response to Question 20 of this application.

If the supervisor or contact person asks (in writing) that the letter be shared with the governor, the Council will send designated letters for each nominee. The applicant should not request a copy of the letter from the reference. References or letters not solicited by the Council are considered public (with few exceptions) and will be sent to the governor for all nominees.

**Current Employer:** State of Alaska, Department of Law  
Supervisor or name of contact person who can verify employment: Joanne Grace  
Current address of this person: Office of the Attorney General, 1031 W. 4th Ave., Suite 200  
City Anchorage State AK Zip 99501  
Dates of Employment: From December 1983 To date  
Description: AAG -- 1983-1985 General Civ. (primarily child support, labor wage and hour); 1985-1987 environmental/natural resources; 1986-1987 commercial; 1987-2003 transportation (construction law, right-of-way and eminent domain); 2003 to date State Ethics Atty (2003-2005), Indian law, appeals.

**Previous Employers: (In chronological order, most recent first)**

**Employer:** Birch, Horton, Bitner, Pestinger & Anderson  
Supervisor or name of contact person who can verify employment: Suzanne Cherot, managing partner  
Current address of this person: 1127 W. 7th Ave  
City Anchorage, State AK Zip 99501  
Dates of Employment: From October 1982 To December 1983  
Description: criminal defense; wills

Reason for Leaving: To obtain civil experience

**Employer:** U.S. Army  
Supervisor or name of contact person who can verify employment: na (DD Form 214 attached)  
Current address of this person: Dept. of Army, U.S. Army Personnel Center, 9700 Page Blvd.  
City St. Louis State Missouri Zip 63132-5200  
Dates of Employment: From January 1979 To October 1982  
Description: Captain, Judge Advocate General Corps, Ft. Benning (Legal Assistance and Administrative Law sections); Ft Wainwright (Trial Defense Service - criminal defense)

Reason for Leaving: To obtain experience in private practice

**Previous Employers (continued)**

**Employer:** Obermayer, Rebmann, Maxwell & Hippel (firm disbanded)  
Supervisor or name of contact person who can verify employment: Elinore Kolodner\* 215-563-1730 (w)  
Current address of this person: 7205 Shalkop Street [\*Associate who can verify employment]  
City Phila State Pa Zip 19128  
Dates of Employment: From 1976 To December 1978  
Description: file clerk in litigation section  
law clerk during second and third years of law school  
Reason for Leaving: Entry into U.S. Army

**Employer:**  
Supervisor or name of contact person who can verify employment:  
Current address of this person:  
City State Zip  
Dates of Employment: From To  
Description:  
Reason for Leaving:

**Employer:**  
Supervisor or name of contact person who can verify employment:  
Current address of this person:  
City State Zip  
Dates of Employment: From To  
Description:  
Reason for Leaving:

**Employer:**  
Supervisor or name of contact person who can verify employment:  
Current address of this person:  
City State Zip  
Dates of Employment: From To  
Description:  
Reason for Leaving:

**Employer:**  
Supervisor or name of contact person who can verify employment:  
Current address of this person:  
City State Zip  
Dates of Employment: From To  
Description:  
Reason for Leaving:

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

(a) Percent of your practice that was: Civil 100  
Criminal \_\_\_\_\_  
Other \_\_\_\_\_  
= 100%

Comment: \_\_\_\_\_

(b) Percent: State 95  
Federal 5  
Other \_\_\_\_\_  
= 100%

Comment: \_\_\_\_\_

(c) Of practice in state courts, percent: Supreme Court 40  
Court of Appeals 0  
Superior Court 60  
District Court 0  
= 100%

Comment: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Comment: \_\_\_\_\_

(e) Number of trials (by court or jury) you conducted in the past 5 years:  
 None       1-5       6-15       16-30       31 or more

Comment: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Comment: \_\_\_\_\_

(g) Approximate number of appellate matters handled: 3

Comment: \_\_\_\_\_

(h) Approximate number of arbitrations or administrative hearings:  
 None       1-5       6-15       16-30       31 or more

Briefly describe type of matters heard:

IMO: Randy Ruedrich (Executive Ethics Act Investigation) Case settled before hearing or issuance of accusation.

(i) Have you undertaken any *pro bono* work through a *pro bono* legal service provider (e.g. Alaska Legal Services, Alaska Network on Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault, etc.) during this period?       Yes       No

Describe:

11. 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.

State of Alaska June 1982  
 State of Pennsylvania October 1978  
 Military Courts of U.S. Army 1979  
 U.S. District Court - District of Alaska July 1983  
 Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals June 1985

**Public Service**

12. List bar associations, and sections and committees of which you are or have been a member or officer.

Pennsylvania Bar Association (member)  
 Alaska Bar Association (member)

13. List legal publications, if any (give title, subject and date of publications). Please include publications you have co-authored and the name(s) of the co-author(s).

Alaska Law Review, Vol XIX, No. II (2002) (Author: E. John Athens, Jr.): "The Ninth Circuit Errs Again: The Quiet Title Act as a Bar to Judicial Review." As indicated in footnote\* of the article, I provided research support and insights for the article. Although I contributed to this article, I did not author or co-author it.

14. Have you ever applied for a judgeship?  Yes  No

Please list dates and judgeships applied for, as well as whether you were nominated by the Judicial Council and appointed.

Judgeship	Date	Nominated By Council (Y/N)	Appointed By Governor (Y/N)
Fairbanks Superior Court	1987	no (withdrew)	no

15. Have you ever held public or political office, elective or appointive?  Yes  No

If so, state office, manner selected, and when and where held.

Appointed Assistant Attorney General December 1983  
Appointed Senior Assistant Attorney General June 2003

16. Please provide the Council with information that you would like the Council to consider about other legal and nonlegal organizations and clubs of which you are a member, including civic, charitable, religious, educational, social and fraternal organizations. Please indicate whether you participate in the organization's activities, or simply hold a membership. Your involvement in the community is one of the criteria the Council uses in its evaluations. The Council does not use affiliation with a particular group as a criterion except to the extent that it might raise questions of conflict of interest or would affect an applicant's ability to impartially apply the law.

Zion Lutheran Church (active member) Currently church organist (weekly participation); past vice-president of congregation; past ministry board member; past study leader. Assisted in drafting congregation's new constitution).

Samaritan Counseling Center - Fairbanks past board member and past vice-president (served seven years). Not currently on the board.

2005 and 2006 Alaska Rural Justice and Law Enforcement Commission -- Jurisdiction Work Group. I was asked to be a member of this work group by successive attorneys general as part of my official duties. However, I represented my own views on policy issues and other work of the commission.

17. Indicate (Yes or No) whether you have ever:

- (a) been arrested, charged with, pled guilty or *nolo contendere* to, or been convicted of the violation of any law or ordinance, or been requested to appear before any prosecuting or investigative agency in connection with any matter in any jurisdiction, including all traffic offenses, unless the fine was less than \$50 and there were no other sanctions?  
 Yes  No
- (b) failed to answer any summons or other legal process served upon you personally at any time?  Yes  No
- (c) as a member of any armed forces, been the subject of any charges which may have resulted in disciplinary action or court martial?  Yes  No



- (d) had any proceedings brought to have you declared a ward of any court or adjudged an incompetent?  Yes  No

If your answer is "yes" to any part of this question, state the facts in detail. Give the name and place of the court or agency, dates of the beginning and end of any action or proceeding, case numbers, and the judgment or other disposition.

18. (a) Has a tax lien or other collection procedure ever been instituted against you by federal, state or local authorities?  Yes  No

In particular, have you been the subject of any proceeding, criminal or civil, initiated against you by the Internal Revenue Service or a State Tax Office?  Yes  No  
If so, give particulars, including case numbers.

- (b) Have you ever been sued by a client?  Yes  No

If so, give particulars, including case numbers.

- (c) Have you ever been a party in any other legal proceeding?  Yes  No

If so, give the particulars. Include all legal proceedings in which you were a party in interest, including petitioner or respondent in dissolution or divorce proceedings; a material witness; a named co-conspirator or correspondent; and subject or witness in any grand jury proceedings. Do not list proceedings in which you were sued only in a representative capacity (e.g. guardian ad litem, or as Commissioner of Natural Resources).

Approximately 1958-1959. Minor-plaintiff in automobile accident. Case settled.

19. State the nature and disposition of any of the following actions which apply to you:

- (a) Are there any unsatisfied judgments against you?  Yes  No  
Have you ever defaulted in the performance of any court-imposed obligation, including payment of alimony or child support or compliance with another court order or decree?

Yes  No

In each case, list the name and address of the creditor, the court which rendered the judgment, the case number, the date, the amount of the judgment, and the circumstances on which such claim was based.

Has property owned by you been either judicially or non-judicially foreclosed?

Yes  No

Please state the circumstances and outcome of any such unsatisfied or default judgment, or of any foreclosure.

- (b) Have you ever made an assignment for the benefit of creditors?  Yes  No

Have you ever filed any petition in bankruptcy?

Yes  No

If so, state the circumstances, case number, and the outcome.

## References and Counsel Questionnaires\*

- \* **Please Note:** Letters of reference from these persons are confidential and will not be given to the applicant. If the reference asks (in writing) that the letter be shared with the governor, the Council will send designated letters and counsel questionnaires for each nominee. The applicant should not request a copy of the letter from the reference. (You **should not** list the Chief Justice of the Alaska Supreme Court.)

References or letters not solicited by the Council are considered public (with few exceptions) and will be sent to the governor for all nominees.

20. (a) List the names, addresses, **including zip codes**, and **phone numbers** of two persons whom the Judicial Council may contact who can discuss your general character and background.

Name: Pamela Hartnell

Address: Office of the Attorney General, 100 Cushman Street, Suite 400

City/State/Zip: Fairbanks, AK 99701 Phone: 451-2811 (w) 451-7081 (h)

Name: Dr. Marv Bergeson

Address: Tanana Valley Clinic, 1001 Noble Street

City/State/Zip: Fairbanks, AK 99701 Phone: 459-3500 (w) 479-5277 (h)

- (b) List the names, addresses, **including zip codes**, and **phone numbers** of three other persons whom the Judicial Council may contact who can discuss your professional competence and qualifications for a judicial position.

Name: Joanne Grace, Sr. Assistant Attorney General

Address: Office of the Attorney General, 1031 W. 4th Ave., Suite 200

City/State/Zip: Anchorage, AK 99501 Phone: 269-5100 (w)

Name: Nancy Gordon, Chief Assistant Attorney General

Address: Office of the Attorney General, 1031 W. 4th Ave., Suite 200

City/State/Zip: Anchorage, AK 99501 Phone: 269-5100 (w)

Name: Barbara J. Ritchie, Assistant City Attorney

Address: City and Borough of Juneau, 155 S. Seward St.

City/State/Zip: Juneau, AK 99801 Phone: 586-0273 (w)

## References and Counsel Questionnaires (continued)

(c) List the names, addresses, **including zip codes, and suite numbers where applicable**, and phone numbers of each attorney involved in your three most recent cases that have gone to trial. Please do not list cases pending in the trial courts. (Applicants who are currently judges should list the three most recent trials they presided over.) List only those cases which have gone to trial within the past three years. Please include the judge's name and case names and numbers. *(Attach additional pages if necessary.)*

### Case Number 1

**Case Name:** None \_\_\_\_\_ **Case Number:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**v.** \_\_\_\_\_ **Judge Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Attorneys Involved:**

Name: _____	Name: _____
Address: _____	Address: _____
City, State, Zip: _____	City, State, Zip: _____
Name: _____	Name: _____
Address: _____	Address: _____
City, State, Zip: _____	City, State, Zip: _____

### Case Number 2

**Case Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Case Number:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**v.** \_\_\_\_\_ **Judge Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Attorneys Involved:**

Name: _____	Name: _____
Address: _____	Address: _____
City, State, Zip: _____	City, State, Zip: _____
Name: _____	Name: _____
Address: _____	Address: _____
City, State, Zip: _____	City, State, Zip: _____

### Case Number 3

**Case Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Case Number:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**v.** \_\_\_\_\_ **Judge Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Attorneys Involved:**

Name: _____	Name: _____
Address: _____	Address: _____
City, State, Zip: _____	City, State, Zip: _____
Name: _____	Name: _____
Address: _____	Address: _____
City, State, Zip: _____	City, State, Zip: _____

## References and Counsel Questionnaires (continued)

(d) List the names, addresses, including zip codes, and suite numbers where applicable, and phone numbers of each attorney involved in your three most recent cases that did not go to trial but in which you did significant work. Please do not list cases pending in the trial courts. (Applicants who are currently judges should list the three most recent cases they presided over that did not go to trial but in which they did significant work.) Please include the judge's name and case names and numbers. (Attach additional pages if necessary.)

### Case Number 1

**Case Name:** Amer. Dental Assn et. al. **Case Number:** 3AN-06-04797 CI  
**v.** ANTHC, State et. al. **Judge Name:** Rindner

#### Attorneys Involved:

Name: Douglas Serdahely/Matthew Block	Name: Richard Monkman/Myra Munson
Address: 601 W. 5th Ave, Ste 700	Address: 318 4th St.
City, State, Zip: Anc. AK 99501 / P:263-6300	City, State, Zip: Jun. AK 99801 / P:586-5880
Name: Thomas V. Van Flein	Name: Marissa Flannery
Address: 711 H. St., Suite 620	Address: 900 W. 5th Ave., Suite 700
City, State, Zip: Anc. AK 99501 / P:272-9272	City, State, Zip: Anc. AK 99501 / P:258-6377

### Case Number 2

**Case Name:** AKPIRG **Case Number:** 3AN-05-11945 CI  
**v.** State, Murkowski **Judge Name:** Tan

#### Attorneys Involved:

Name: Chancy Croft	Name: Laura Bottger, (my co-counsel)
Address: 238 H. St.	Address: 1031 W. 4th Ave, Suite. 200
City, State, Zip: Anc. AK 99501 / P:272-3508	City, State, Zip: Anc., AK 99501 / P:269-5100
Name: _____	Name: _____
Address: _____	Address: _____
City, State, Zip: _____	City, State, Zip: _____

### Case Number 3

**Case Name:** John **Case Number:** 4FA-95-3103 / S-11176  
**v.** Baker [(III)] **Judge Name:** Wood

#### Attorneys Involved:

Name: Andrew Harrington	Name: Diane Wendlandt my co-counsel
Address: 1648 Cushman St. Suite 300	Address: 310 K. St. Suite 308
City, State, Zip: Fbks. AK 99701 / P:452-5181	City, State, Zip: Anc. AK 99501 / P: 269-6256
Name: Mark Regan	Name: Robert Nauheim (my co-counsel)
Address: P.O. Box 248	Address: Mr. Nauheim is unavailable
City, State, Zip: Bethel AK / P: 543-2237	City, State, Zip: _____

Question 20(d)

**Case Number 1 (continued)**

**Attorneys Involved:**

Michael G. Hotchkin (my co-counsel)  
1031 W. 4<sup>th</sup> Ave., Suite 200  
Anc. AK 99501  
Telephone: 269-5100

**Additional Case**

**Case Name:** Nancy (Weston) Edwards  
v. State, DHSS, NVS

**Case Number:** 4BE-05-47 CI

**Attorney Involved:**

**Judge Name:** Devaney

Mark Regan  
P.O. Box 248  
Bethel, AK  
Telephone: 543-2237

This case is more recent than the superior court action in John v. Baker III. However, the case was straightforward and did not require “significant work” to settle.

## Writing Sample

21. Attach one example of a brief, memorandum of law, or legal opinion or similar example of legal writing (10-20 pages in length; 15-25 pages for appellate positions) prepared solely by you within the last five years. Please choose a sample that reflects your ability to do legal research and analysis. If you do not have a good sample of this length, include an excerpt from a longer writing. Make sure the sample contains sufficient facts to make it understandable. (Some reply briefs may not meet these requirements.)

Please do not submit: (a) coauthored writing samples, (b) samples with confidential information unless redacted to remove such information, (c) longer writing samples.

22. Has any **public** sanction been imposed against you in response to a complaint, charge or grievance brought against you as an attorney or a judge?  Yes  No

Have formal grievance procedures been brought against you?  Yes  No

See Bar Rule 22(b) & (e) concerning public grievance procedures against attorneys, and AS 22.30.011(b) and .060(b)(3) concerning public grievance procedures against judges.

Have you ever been held in contempt of court?  Yes  No

In each case, state in detail the circumstances and the outcome.

## Additional Comments (Non-Confidential)

23. Please make any additional comments that you wish to bring to the Council's attention about your experience and suitability for this judgeship.

see attached.

### **23. Additional Comments**

I believe my participation in the Rural Justice Commission Jurisdiction Work Group demonstrates my commitment to enhancing the administration of justice in rural Alaska and to improving access to judicial services for rural residents.

In 2005, I identified the federal and state legal authority for Indian Child Welfare Act jurisdiction-sharing agreements and proposed the development of a model template agreement for Alaska. State-tribal jurisdiction-sharing agreements are not a novel idea. However, as a member of a work group subcommittee, I assisted in identifying twelve issues that would need to be addressed in order to develop a template agreement that would move the state and tribes past the jurisdictional impasse and toward constructive shared administration of ICWA cases in rural areas of the state. The Rural Justice Commission is continuing its work on developing the template agreement.

In 2006, I proposed the establishment of village circuit courts. These courts would try minor alcohol and drug offenses and impose a limited range of sentences. They would be established by the Alaska Legislature within the state court system. Village Circuit Courts would be comprised of three judge panels, a state magistrate (who would be assigned to a group of villages) and two judges from the local village appointed by the village council. Trials would take place in the village where the offense occurred and would be conducted under state and federal constitutional standards. Convictions or acquittals (as well as sentencing) would be determined by a majority vote of the panel. This innovative proposal is designed to bring the state justice system to local villages, providing meaningful local participation in that system while ensuring the constitutional rights of defendants are respected. Although the work group did not have sufficient time to develop a detailed proposal, the concept was presented to the Rural Justice Commission in December 2006. The commission has not yet acted upon the proposal to my knowledge.



AUG 21 2007

ALASKA  
JUDICIAL COUNCIL

**PAUL R. LYLE**  
**665 Aspen Heights Drive**  
**Fairbanks, Alaska 99712**

August 17, 2007

Mr. Larry Cohn  
Executive Director  
Alaska Judicial Council  
1029 West Third Avenue, Suite 201  
Anchorage, Alaska 99501-1969

Re: Application for Judicial Appointment  
Fairbanks Superior Court

Dear Mr. Cohn:

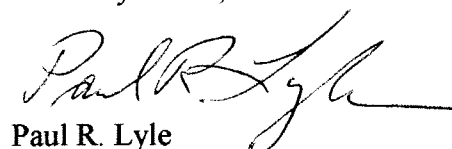
I wish to supplement my response to Question 23 (page 14a) of my application for appointment to the superior court in Fairbanks. Although I have not had jury trials or administrative hearings within the last three years, I am not a stranger to them.

While I was stationed at Fort Wainwright, I defended a client against a charge of capital premeditated murder, resulting in a jury verdict of voluntary manslaughter. I tried at least one additional jury trial as a defense lawyer at Fort Wainwright. That trial involved a charge of theft by a client who confessed to the crime, but resulted in an acquittal based on alibi testimony. In private practice in Fairbanks, I tried an unclassified felony kidnapping case and a reckless driving case, both before juries and both resulting in acquittals.

In addition to the administrative hearing I reported in question 10(h) -- which was settled before an accusation was filed -- I have represented the Alaska Department of Transportation in numerous administrative hearings and hearings before masters in eminent domain cases. Of note in the administrative hearings is a termination for convenience claim tried in 1998 involving complex cost accounting issues and an approximately 18,000 page record. That claim is the subject of *Quality Asphalt Paving Inc., v. State*, 71 P.3d 865 (Alaska 2003). Also of note is a 1990 or 1991 administrative hearing on a contract claim filed by D&B General, Inc. That case involved scientific evidence concerning ice formation and ice road construction methods and was decided in the state's favor. It was not appealed. The masters' hearings were routine matters that settled following issuance of the masters' decisions.

Although these cases fall well outside of the time frames covered by questions 10 and 20(c), I wanted to inform the council that I have experience in preparing for and presenting complex matters to juries and hearing officers. Please advise me if the council wishes further information on these matters.

Sincerely Yours,



Paul R. Lyle

**Additional Comments (Continued)**

24. Please indicate whether you prefer to be interviewed in public session or in private session. Your choice of a public or private interview has no bearing on the Council's determination of your qualifications or on the questions the Council may ask. You may change your request in writing at any time before the interview starts.

Public Interview

Private Interview

25. Please prepare a brief biographical statement (**limited to 150 words**) about your background, legal education, and legal experience. Please do not list personal information about minor children. Your picture and a copy of this statement will be scanned and posted on the Council's website after the application deadline. In its Bar survey, the Council will invite attorneys to review the information if they wish to become more familiar with your background and experience. Use the form on the following page for your biographical statement. Please leave the box at the top empty. The Council will use this space for your scanned picture. **To be fair to all applicants, the Council will strictly enforce the 150 word limit.**

If you object to the posting of your picture on the Council's website, please indicate your objection below. If you object, we will not post your picture, although you still must submit twelve photographs of yourself with your application.

- If you check this box we will not post your picture on the website.

## Biographical Statement

Name Paul Lyle

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

Fairbanks Superior Court

Date: August 1, 2007

Paul Lyle has lived in Fairbanks for 27 years. He graduated in 1975 from Temple University with a B.B.A. (magna cum laude) and received his J.D. from Temple University School of Law in 1978. He entered the Army Judge Advocate General Corps in 1979 and, in 1980, was assigned to Alaska where he served as a defense counsel at Fort Wainwright and subsequently as the supervising defense attorney for the Army in Alaska. After leaving the Army, he was briefly in private practice with Birch, Horton. In 1983, Paul was appointed as an assistant attorney general in Fairbanks where he has practiced child support, wage and hour, commercial, environmental, natural resource, construction and eminent domain law. He served as the State Ethics Attorney from 2003 to 2005 and currently practices Indian law with a focus on tribal-state jurisdictional matters. Paul has been married for 29 years and has three children.

**Certification and Waiver**

I hereby certify that, to the best of my knowledge, the information provided on this application is true and complete; and that I am a citizen of the United States and of the State, and will be eligible to be licensed to practice law in Alaska at the time of expected appointment (Ak. Const. Art IV; § 4).

I waive any privilege of confidentiality I may have with respect to information concerning my qualifications for judicial office that the Judicial Council may desire to obtain. I specifically authorize the Council to obtain and examine my personnel files from current and past employers, including all files maintained by the Alaska Court System, and to obtain information, any law enforcement agency, any bar association, any occupational licensing board, any educational institution, and any disciplinary body, including specifically the Alaska Bar Association and the Alaska Judicial Conduct Commission. I further authorize these institutions, organizations, and individuals, and any other institutions, organizations and individuals to make available to the Council all confidential and non-confidential documents, records and information concerning me that the Council may request.

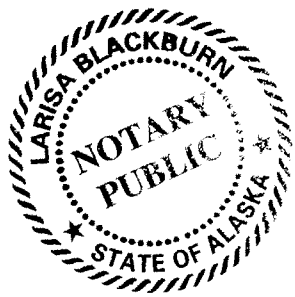
*Paul R. Lyle*  
Signature of Applicant

Paul R. Lyle  
Typed Name

8/3/2007  
Date

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 3rd day of August, 2007.

*Larisa Blackburn*  
Notary Public, State of Alaska  
My Commission expires: 4/20/09



### Release to Obtain Credit History

I specifically authorize the Council to obtain information regarding me from any credit reporting agency. I authorize these agencies to make available to the Council all confidential and non-confidential documents, records, and information concerning me that the Council may request.

Paul R. Lyle

Signature of Applicant

Paul R. Lyle

Typed Name

8/3/2007

Date

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 3rd day of August, 2007.

Larisa Blackburn

Notary Public, State of Alaska

My Commission expires: 4/20/09

