

PRESS RELEASE

November 29, 2012

ALASKA COURT SYSTEM
Office of the Administrative Director
303 K Street
Anchorage, Alaska 99501

Contact: Christine E. Johnson
Administrative Director
264-0547

CHIEF JUSTICE FABE APPOINTS JUDGE DAVID MANNHEIMER AS CHIEF
JUDGE OF THE COURT OF APPEALS

Chief Justice Dana Fabe has announced the appointment of Judge David Mannheimer as Chief Judge of the Alaska Court of Appeals for 2013 and 2014.

Judge Mannheimer has served on the Court of Appeals since November 1990. He is replacing Chief Judge Robert G. Coats, who is retiring at the end of December.

Prior to his appointment to the Court of Appeals, Judge Mannheimer served as an assistant district attorney in Fairbanks from 1974-1976, as an assistant attorney general in Fairbanks from 1976-1978, and as an appellate attorney in the Office of Special Prosecutions and Appeals (in Anchorage) from 1978-1990. He was the chief of that office from 1985 until his appointment to the bench.

The Alaska Court of Appeals is our state's intermediate appellate court, with the authority to hear appeals in criminal cases, juvenile delinquency cases, cases involving probation and parole decisions, and cases in which prisoners are challenging the legality of their confinement (post-conviction relief and habeas corpus petitions).

The Court of Appeals is headquartered in Anchorage. The Chief Judge serves a two-year term.