

## NOTE FROM THE EDITOR

The staff of the *Alaska Law Review* is pleased to present our June 2004 issue. This issue includes *The Year in Review*, our annual compilation of summaries of state and federal cases dealing with Alaska law. This is the last time *The Year in Review* will appear in the June issue as it is soon moving online. However, it will be available in a separate booklet for those who enjoy reading *The Year in Review* in print.

We are quite pleased with this issue, which contains two Articles, one Comment, and one Note. The Article by Jerry McBeath examines how *Greenpeace v. National Marine Fisheries Services* interpreted the agency regulation of an endangered species, the Steller sea lion. Andrea V. W. Wan's Article analyzes how the Indian Child Welfare Act fulfills its primary goal of returning partial control over child welfare proceedings to Indian and Alaska Native tribes, focusing specifically on the Iñupiat Tribe. The Comment by John J. Tiemessen and Jason A. Weiner discusses the national and Alaskan development of a testimonial privilege for animal adoption agencies and adoptive owners. Finally, Sarah H. Davis' Note contends that the structure of the Alaska economy and the State's dependence on oil revenues creates a wrinkle in the Federal Privileges and Immunities Clause such that the State is allowed to charge non-resident commercial fishermen more than resident commercial fishermen.

I am extremely grateful to have had the opportunity to lead the staff of the *Alaska Law Review* this year. It has been an incomparable experience and I have gained skills that I will utilize throughout my legal career. I am especially grateful to have worked with such talented law students and impressive members of the Alaska legal community. I have learned so much about Alaska and greatly enjoyed my visit there last spring. On behalf of the *Alaska Law Review*, I would like to thank the members of the Alaska bar for their generosity and encouragement during our annual trips to Alaska and throughout the academic year. As the new Editorial Board takes over, we look forward to continuing to work with all of you in the years to come in addressing the needs of the Alaska legal community.

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