

LAWS OF ALASKA 2004

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AN ACT

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BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:

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- * **Section 1.** AS 34.35.430(b) is repealed and reenacted to read:
 - (b) The lien described in (a) of this section is superior to all subsequent liens except tax liens. The lien is a charge on the action, and the parties to the action may not extinguish or affect the attorney's lien by any means, including settlement, other than by satisfying the underlying claim of the attorney for the fees and costs incurred in connection with the action. Nothing in this subsection precludes a party from contesting an attorney's lien under applicable law.
- * Sec. 2. The uncodified law of the State of Alaska is amended by adding a new section to read:
- APPLICATION. AS 34.35.430(b), as repealed and reenacted by sec. 1 of this Act, applies to an attorney's lien served and filed in a court action or other proceeding on or after

- 1 the effective date of this Act.
- 2 * Sec. 3. This Act takes effect immediately under AS 01.10.070(c).