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STATE OF ALASKA
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR
JUNEAU

February 6, 1984

The Honorable Jalmar Kerttula
Alaska State Senate
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Juneau, AK 99811

Dear Senator Kerttula:

Under the authority of art. III, sec. 18, of the Alaska Constitution, I am transmitting a bill appropriating a total of \$314,205 to the Alaska Court System.

The first section of the bill appropriates \$285,000 from the general fund to offset the deficit created by underfunding the FY 83⁸⁴ cost-of-living pay increase. When funds were appropriated for that increase, the level of funding was set at approximately 75 percent of the estimated cost of the increase for existing employees. In addition, pay increase funds were not provided for the eight new positions received by the trial courts in FY 84. The court system has attempted to reduce the deficit by extending vacancies, eliminating overlaps, and reducing overtime to the extent possible. Through these efforts, the trial courts will have realized a savings of \$400,000 by the end of this fiscal year.

The second section of the bill appropriates \$29,205 from the general fund to pay FY 83 outstanding obligations for library materials. Inadvertently, invoices were not processed in a timely manner, and the court system has actually lapsed sufficient funds to cover these claims.

Additional backup material will be furnished to the finance committee.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Bill Sheffield".

Bill Sheffield
Governor



Alaska Court System
State of Alaska

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ROBERT G. FISHER
Manager of Fiscal Operations

January 23, 1984

Carolyn Martin
Senior Budget Analyst
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Dear Carolyn:

Accompanying this letter is the Court System's request for a supplemental appropriation in the amount of \$285,000 for the trial court budget request unit for fiscal year 1984. The additional funds are requested to offset the deficit in the current year budget, which was created by the underfunding of the FY 8384 general cost-of-living pay increase.

When funds were appropriated for the pay increase, the level of funding was set at approximately 80% of the estimate cost of the increase for existing employees. Additionally, pay increase funds were not provided for the new positions received by the trial courts in FY 84. The requested funds will cover the projected underfunding deficit in the current year. The Court System has requested funds in the FY 85 operating budget to cover the on-going cost of the pay increase in the next fiscal year.

The Court System has made every effort to reduce the deficit through other means. However, no other funds are available and full staffing is needed in the trial courts to keep pace with the high rate of growth in caseload.

Sincerely,

Robert G. Fisher
Fiscal Officer

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FY 84 SUPPLEMENTAL REQUEST ANALYSIS

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	FY 82 ACTUAL	FY 83 FINAL AUTH	FY 83 ACTUAL	FY 84 GOV. AMEND. BUDGET	FY 84 INITIAL AUTH.	FY 84 CURRENT AUTH.	FY 84 EXPENDITURES + ENCUMBRANCES 7/1 to	FY 84 OTHER OBLIGATIONS 7/1/ to 12/31	FY 84 PROJECTED EXPENDI- TURES + 1/1 to 6/30	FY 84 (DEFICIT) OR EXCESS
PERSONAL SERVICES	17,213.7	19,941.3	19,940.3	20,271.3	21,635.2	21,635.2	9,633.8	128.4	12,158.0	285.0
TRAVEL										
CONTRACTUAL SERVICES										
COMMODITIES										
EQUIPMENT										
LANDS, BLDG.										
GRANTS, CLAIMS										
MISCELLANEOUS										
TOTAL										
FEDERAL RECEIPTS										
REQUIRED GF MATCHING										
OTHER GENERAL FUND										
INTER-AGENCY RECEIPTS										

AGENCY: Alaska Court System

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COMPONENT: Trial Courts

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Dear Carolyn:

The Court System is requesting a supplemental appropriation for \$30,000 for several unpaid prior year bills for library materials from Commerce Clearing House. The bills originated in fiscal years 1982 and 1983. The unpaid amounts are \$803.85 and \$29,205.00, respectively. The Court System lapsed sufficient funds in each fiscal year to cover the unpaid claims.

Due to changes in personnel, I have not been able to ascertain the reason the bills were not paid in a timely manner. Nevertheless, the charges are valid and must be paid. A statement is enclosed, which provides information on the unpaid bills. The statement has been amended to reflect the correct amount due.

It is requested that these obligations be included in the FY 84 Miscellaneous Claims Supplemental Appropriation.

Sincerely,

Robert G. Fisher
Fiscal Officer

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