

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE DISTRICT OF ALASKA

*In the matter of*

ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATION  
DEVICES IN THE COURTROOM

MISCELLANEOUS  
GENERAL ORDER  
NO. 12-01

UNLESS OTHERWISE ORDERED BY THE COURT:

Cellular telephones are permitted in federal courthouses in the District of Alaska; however, they must be turned off prior to entering a courtroom. Members of the bar, law enforcement officers, United States Probations Officers and Court and Clerk's office personnel attending hearings on official business must set their phones to silent/vibrate before entering a courtroom.

Laptop computers and tablets are also permitted in federal courthouses in the District of Alaska. However, under no circumstances may cellular telephones, laptop computers, tablets or any other electronic device be used to take photographs, videos or in any way record court proceedings.

Notwithstanding the preceding, jurors and grand jurors may not have cellular phones, laptop computers or tablets in court or jury deliberation rooms.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED THAT MGO 10-10 is hereby superceded.

DATED at Anchorage, Alaska this 12th day of March, 2012.

s/ Ralph R. Beistline  
RALPH R. BEISTLINE, Chief Judge  
United States District Court

s/ Timothy M. Burgess  
TIMOTHY M. BURGESS, Judge  
United States District Court

s/ Sharon L. Gleason  
SHARON L. GLEASON  
United States District Judge

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