

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT FOR THE STATE OF ALASKA
AT _____

In the Matter of the Necessity)
for the Hospitalization of:)
)
_____,)
Respondent.)
_____)

Case No. _____

**NOTICE OF 90-DAY
COMMITMENT HEARING**

TO: Respondent
Respondent's Attorney: _____
State's Attorney: _____
Petitioner/Facility: _____

After respondent was committed for up to 30 days treatment for mental illness, the court received the attached petition requesting that respondent's commitment be extended for up to 90 days.

A hearing to decide whether respondent's commitment should be extended as requested will take place in the Superior Court at _____, Alaska, in the Hearing Room at _____, on _____, 20____, at _____ .m. before the Honorable _____.

The court has appointed _____ as counsel for the respondent in this matter.

Respondent's Rights

The respondent is entitled to a hearing or trial. The respondent has the right to a jury trial if respondent requests one at least two judicial days before the hearing. The hearing or trial will determine whether there is cause to continue the respondent's treatment after the 30-day commitment has expired for an additional 90 days.

At the hearing (or trial), the respondent has the right:

1. to have the hearing open or closed to the public as the respondent elects,
2. to be present at the hearing,
3. to remain silent at the hearing,
4. to be represented by an attorney, to present evidence and to cross-examine witnesses who testify against him/her at the hearing,
5. to call experts and other witnesses to testify on the respondent's behalf,
6. to have the rules of evidence and civil procedure applied so as to provide for the informal but efficient presentation of evidence,
7. to view and copy all petitions and reports in the court file on respondent's case, and
8. to have an interpreter if the respondent does not understand English.

The respondent also has the following rights:

1. To be free of the effects of medication and other forms of treatment to the maximum extent possible before the hearing.
2. To communicate immediately with his/her guardian, if any, or an adult designated by the respondent. Respondent may also communicate with the attorney designated by the court or an attorney of the respondent's choice.
3. To request an examination by an independent physician or other mental health professional and to have the physician or other professional be a witness for the respondent at the hearing. If the respondent is indigent, an independent physician or mental health professional shall be appointed by the court at respondent's request.
4. To appeal any involuntary commitment order.
5. To have a decision by the court within 20 days after the petition was filed.

Before the court can order the respondent committed, the court must find by clear and convincing evidence that respondent is mentally ill and as a result of that condition is gravely disabled or presents a likelihood that he/she will cause harm to himself/herself or others.

Date

Judge/Clerk

I certify that on _____
a copy of this notice and the Petition
for 90-Day Commitment were sent to the
persons listed on page one.

Clerk: _____

I certify that on _____, 20____, at _____ .m., I verbally advised the
respondent of his/her rights under AS 47.30.735 and .745 and delivered a copy of this notice to
the respondent.

Date

Signature

Print Name and Title