

ALS Staff Changes

The Fairbanks office of Alaska Legal Services last week announced extensive recent staff changes.

For the last year and a half David Wolfe has headed the Fairbanks office. Since April 1, Wolfe also has been deputy director for the statewide legal services program. Until September 1 he continued also to serve as supervising attorney in Fairbanks.

On September 1, Dickerson Reagan, formerly director of the Juneau Legal Services office, arrived in Fairbanks to take over the job of supervising attorney here.

Brian Shortell is staff attorney in the Fairbanks office, living and working in Fairbanks and traveling out from Fairbanks to serve persons in northern villages. Shortell is a lawyer admitted to practice in California and recently took the bar exam in Alaska.

The Fairbanks office is gaining and losing a VISTA volunteer lawyer. Rick Rogers, whose wife Stephanie is on the staff of the Fairbanks Native Welcome Center, is leaving for a position with a legal services program in Florida as of October 15.

The new VISTA volunteer lawyer to work out of the Fairbanks office is John Athens, a recent graduate of Notre Dame law school who is admitted to the practice of law in Oklahoma. It is expected that Athens will divide his time between Fairbanks and Fort Yukon.