

ANB Names Bell Director of Native Affairs Div.

George E. Bell, an Alaska native from Nome, has been named director of the division of native affairs for the Alaska National Bank.

Bank president Frank H. Murkowski made the announcement recently when he announced the establishment of the new department at the bank.

Bell will serve as the bank's liaison officer to native communities in order to provide native people with counsel and advice and assistance in financial matters, Murkowski said.

Bell was born in Nome. He lived there until his transfer to the Alaska National Bank main office in Fairbanks in 1970.

He is Eskimo and Irish.

A graduate of Nome High School, Bell was valedictorian of his class. He attended the University of Alaska and completed courses from the American Institute of Banking.

He and his wife, Sharon, have two children—Susan, seven, and Bruce, four.

Bell, a treasurer and member of the board of directors of the Alaska Association of Arts in Fairbanks, is now beginning his third term as a member of the vocational education advisory council for the state.

In Nome, he served as personnel officer with the Alaska National Guard for 13 years, with the rank of chief warrant officer.

~~He~~ has served on the board of directors of Northwestern Alaska Chamber of Commerce for

one year, is a past president of the Nome Arts Council, and served on the Nome Port Authority.

For seven years he served with the Nome Volunteer Fire Department as president and assistant chief.

He has been an auditor with the Alaska National Bank since June, 1971, working with all branches of Alaska National Bank and visiting Barrow, Kotzebue, Nome, Delta, Tok, Nenana, Eielson and the four Fairbanks bank offices.