

AFN Recommends Lawyer Madsen- Part Native Recommended for State Supreme Court

A part native attorney from Kodiak has been nominated by the Alaskan Federation of Natives for the Alaska Supreme

Court seat vacated this month by the resignation of Associate Justice John M. Dimond.

Roy Madsen, Kodiak attorney and past vice president of the Kodiak Area Native Association was first nominated for the seat by the Kodiak Area Native Association.

According to the AFN resolution recommending Madsen "the State Supreme Court as now constituted, is comprised of two members from Anchorage, one from Fairbanks and one from Juneau, and there are no members from the less densely populated areas of the State which comprise the better portion of the State."

Roy Madsen has practiced law in Alaska since 1962 and before that served as district attorney in Clackamas County Oregon, and in private practice in Oregon City, Oregon. Born in Kanatak in 1923, he is the son of Charles Madsen and Alexandra Chernof Madsen. He attended Northwestern College of Law in Portland, Oregon, gra-

duating in 1953.

The present Alaska Supreme Court includes only one Associate Justice, Judge Rabinowitz, who had experience on the bench before being appointed to the Supreme Court. In 1970, Madsen was considered for a Superior Court judgeship.