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Alaska Bar Association was extended by HB 88 for 4 years until June 30, 2113 by Alaska Legislature on April 19, 2009 and was signed into law by then Governor Sarah Palin on June 20, 2009 per [site](#). TNO addressed Senate Judiciary Committee on April 19 per [site](#).

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Alaska Legislative Audit #41-20057-08 Alaska Bar Association Sunset June 30, 2009 recommends Alaska Bar Association extension. The Audit is online at <http://www.legaudit.state.ak.us/pages/digests/2008/20057dig.htm>

ALASKA BAR ASSOCIATION SHOULD BE SUNSET JUNE 30, 2009 during Alaska 50th Anniversary of Statehood year for the foreseeable future while Alaska Legislature has time to analyze the two essential functions of admissions and discipline. Alaska has unique circumstances as the only state without a law school or any elected attorney. Legislative Audit #41-20057-08 is a "white wash." Sunset should be reevaluated by 26th Alaska Legislature 2nd Session. Please review the "Summary" of the Audit "four objectives of our report" including the termination date extension of Board of Governors Alaska Bar Association (Board), whether the Board is operating in the public interest, to determine if the Board has exercised appropriate oversight of licensed attorneys, and the provide current status on the recommendations made in the prior report. Board of Governors Alaska Bar Association demonstrate none of these objectives at the present time. Ms. Patricia Davidson, Alaska Legislative Auditor, is unable to write the essence of the lack of accountability of Alaska Bar Association as she is a public employee without legal recourse. Alaska Bar Association Audit is the most important of all the State of Alaska Audits done because if any other Alaska professional has a problem with licensure in his/her profession, the applicant must hire a licensed Alaska attorney in order to appeal. Only Alaska Legislature can create accountability of Alaska Bar Association. Major issues follow:

1. American and Alaskan Jurisprudence

Please specifically review Page 19 of Alaska Bar Association Audit #41-20057-08. Article I Section 3 of the Alaska Bar Association Bylaws sets out the purposes of the Alaska Bar which are:

"1. To cultivate and advance the SCIENCE OF JURISPRUDENCE." (Emphasis added.) "Jurisprudence is the philosophy of the law or science . . . which has for its function to ascertain the principles on which legal rules are based . . . (in order to) produce the greatest advantage to the community" according to Black's Law Dictionary. Please see "In Re Obermeyer II 8/23/00" and In the Matter of the Application of Thomas S. Obermeyer 717 Pacific Reporter 2d 382, 57 American Law Reports 4th 1195 (Alaska 4/18/86), both of which can be found at <http://www.state.ak.us/courts> "Appellate Courts" "Alaska Case Law Precedent since 1960," Thomson-West page, "By Party Name" "Obermeyer." THESE CASES ARE AMERICAN AND ALASKAN JURISPRUDENCE.

2. Alaska Bar Association Admission by Reciprocity Gives More Rights to Out of State Attorneys than Alaska Attorneys