

**ATTENTION: FISHERMEN WHO HAVE PAID NONRESIDENT
COMMERCIAL FISHING FEES TO THE STATE OF ALASKA**

THE STATE OF ALASKA MAY OWE YOU A REFUND WITH INTEREST IF YOU PAID NONRESIDENT COMMERCIAL FISHING FEES FROM DECEMBER 13, 1984 THROUGH LICENSING YEAR 2004. IT IS IMPORTANT THAT YOU NOTIFY THE STATE IN WRITING OF YOUR CURRENT ADDRESS AND KEEP THE COMMERCIAL FISHERIES ENTRY COMMISSION INFORMED OF ANY ADDRESS CHANGES.

In 1984, nonresident commercial fishermen filed a class action against the State of Alaska challenging the constitutionality of the higher annual fees charged to non-Alaskans for commercial fishing licenses and permits. The lawsuit, *Carlson v. State*, includes as plaintiffs all persons who paid any non-resident commercial fishing license and permit fees to the State of Alaska from December 13, 1984 through licensing year 2004. If you held a nonresident crewmember license or nonresident permit during this time, you may be owed a refund with interest. Please see the commission's web site here for a list of class members and the preliminary calculation of overpayments and underpayments for each individual.

The State of Alaska must be certain it has your current address in order to contact you. To provide the necessary information, please print and complete the form attached to this notice, or write a letter that provides all of the information requested on this form.

PLEASE MAIL YOUR COMPLETED FORM OR LETTER TO: Commercial Fisheries Entry Commission, 8800 Glacier Hwy., #109, P.O. Box 110302, Juneau, AK 99811-0302. If your mailing address changes in the future, you must contact the commission in writing at the address above. When providing your new address, please state that you are a member of the *Carlson* class.

There is no further information the State can provide you at this time. You may direct questions about this lawsuit to the plaintiff's attorney, Loren Domke, 2201 N. Jordan Ave., Juneau, AK 99801; 907- 790-2844, recorded information for *Carlson* class members, 907-790-3442; or email: domkelaw@gci.net.

This notice is issued by –

THE ALASKA COMMERCIAL FISHERIES ENTRY COMMISSION

ATTENTION: MEMBERS OF CARLSON V. STATE CLASS ACTION LAWSUIT

COMPLETE AND RETURN THE FORM BELOW

If you have held a State of Alaska nonresident commercial fishing permit or crewmember license for one or more years since December 13, 1984, you may use the form below to provide the information necessary for the State of Alaska to issue you a check if you are ultimately found to be eligible to receive a refund.

MAIL YOUR COMPLETED FORM TO:

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8800 Glacier Highway, #109
P.O. Box 110302
Juneau, AK 99811-0302*

NOTIFICATION OF CURRENT ADDRESS OF CARLSON v. STATE CLASS MEMBER

Check and complete the appropriate box below:

I am a member of the class of the *Carlson v. State* class action lawsuit because I have held a (check one or both, as applicable):

nonresident commercial fishing permit and/or nonresident crewmember license

for one or more years since December 13, 1984. If you are a member of the class due to having held a crewmember license only, provide the years you held a nonresident crewmember license: _____

OR

I am not a member of the *Carlson* class, but I believe I am entitled to any refund the state may owe to *Carlson* class member _____ who held a (check whichever applies):

nonresident commercial fishing permit and/or nonresident crewmember license

during one or more of the years covered by the *Carlson* lawsuit. I am providing on the back of this form a written explanation of my relationship to the license or permit holder and why I am entitled to receive any refund due that person.

My current mailing address is:

Name - please print clearly _____
Email address

Mailing address (street or P.O. Box) _____
Telephone Number

City *State* *Zip* _____
Social Security Number _____
Birthdate (mm/dd/yyyy)

Required because any refund must be reported to the IRS.

I understand that I am responsible for informing the Commercial Fisheries Entry Commission in writing of any future changes in my mailing address until final resolution of the Carlson case and, when doing that, identifying myself as a Carlson class member and specifying whether I am a class member by virtue of having held a nonresident crewmember license or a nonresident permit.

Signature

Date