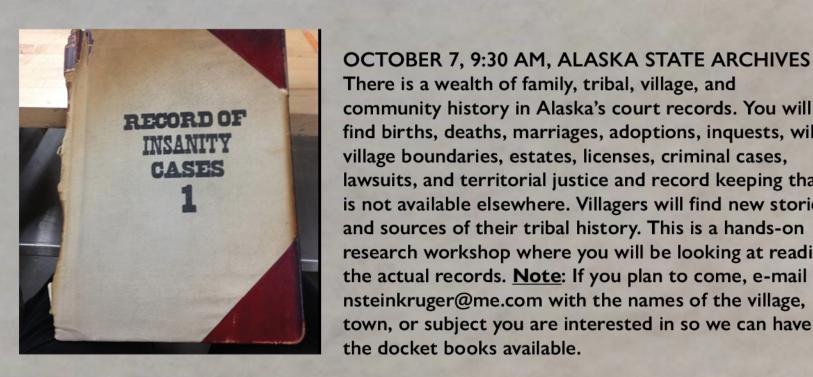
## Workshop Alaska Court Records Research

with Niesje Steinkruger and Karen Gray



There is a wealth of family, tribal, village, and community history in Alaska's court records. You will find births, deaths, marriages, adoptions, inquests, wills, village boundaries, estates, licenses, criminal cases, lawsuits, and territorial justice and record keeping that is not available elsewhere. Villagers will find new stories and sources of their tribal history. This is a hands-on research workshop where you will be looking at reading the actual records. Note: If you plan to come, e-mail nsteinkruger@me.com with the names of the village,

Niesje J. Steinkruger is a retired Superior Court Judge who spent 31 years on the Bench in Alaska. She spent 5 years going through old court records, like the one pictured here, gathering the names of Alaskans sent Outside to Morningside Hospital. She now wants to "pass the torch" to Alaska families to continue to learn about what happened to their family members. Karen Gray is the State Archivist of the Alaska State Archives. She has worked to organize records so that Alaskans can use them. In particular she is designing "Finding Aids" for online users. Funding is not available, but she longs to digitize records so that Alaskans can find their history.