Juneau, Alaska ©



Population Rank: U.S. #1,193

Alaska..... # 2

Proportions: 2:3 (usage)

Adopted: Not known



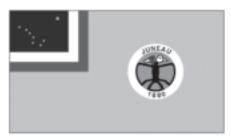
DESIGN: The field of Juneau's flag is light blue. The central figure on the flag is contained in a rectangle with a narrow darker blue outline and rounded corners. On a field of 2 by 3 units, the rectangle is approximately 1.25 units high and 2.5 units wide. Occupying about the first third of the space within the rectangle from the hoist is a green silhouette of perhaps two mountain peaks or pine trees. The figure is almost a pyramid with two points, the one on the hoist side slightly lower than the other, the tip of which extends slightly beyond the top of the rectangle. The top half of the remaining space within the rectangle contains **JUNEAU** in large slender letters of the darker blue. Immediately below this name is a medium-sized five-pointed gold star, out-

lined in the darker blue and positioned directly between the "J" and the "U". To the fly side of the star is **ALASKA'S CAPITAL CITY** in much smaller letters of the same darker blue. Horizontally along the bottom of the space, even with the base of the pine tree pyramid, is a bar with a wavy top, again in the darker blue.

SYMBOLISM: Juneau can be reached only by air or water. The wavy blue bar represents the Pacific Ocean, on which the city is located. The gold star represents Juneau's status as the capital of Alaska. The green figures suggest the city's northerly clime and mountainous setting.

HOW SELECTED: Unknown.

DESIGNER: Unknown.



FORMER FLAG: There appears to have been an earlier flag, about which little is known. The city hall personnel speculate that it may have been the flag of the city before it unified with the surrounding borough (county) on 1 July

1970, when Juneau became known as the City and Borough of Juneau. This flag has proportions of 4:7 and a gold field. In the canton is an Alaska state flag with a white border on its bottom and fly sides. This border is itself edged in red. Centered on the field between the canton and the fly is a circular emblem. Its center is a light blue disk with a black totem-like figure with two bird heads. The head turned toward the hoist is dark and may be an eagle; the head turned toward the fly is a white goose or duck with a yellow bill. Around the disk is a white ring on which JUNEAU appears arched across the top, and 1880, the date of Juneau's first settlement, below.