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BEFORE THE SUPREME COURT OF FLORIDA

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IN RE: THE AMENDMENTS TO THE  
FLORIDA FAMILY LAW RULES OF PROCEDURE

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**Comments of the Florida Coalition Against Domestic Violence  
on Rule 12.610(c)(6)**

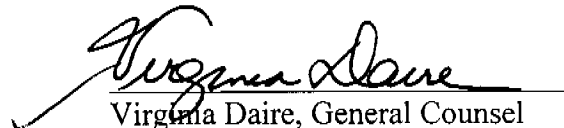
Comes Now, the Florida Coalition Against Domestic Violence (FCADV), through undersigned counsel, and says:

1. The Florida Coalition Against Domestic Violence is a not-for-profit corporation organized pursuant to Section 501(c)(3) of the U.S. Internal Revenue Code to provide support and technical assistance to the thirty-eight (38) domestic violence centers that are certified by the State of Florida. The centers shelter and provide other services to victims of domestic violence and their children throughout the State. As service providers, the centers are actively involved in working with victims of domestic violence who have sought injunctions for protection from Florida's courts.

2. In Amendments to the Florida Family Law Rules of Procedure, 23 Fla. L. Weekly S573, October 19, 1998, the Florida Supreme Court proposed to amend Rule 12.610(c)(6). The effect of the amendment would be to require personal service by law enforcement of all requests to modify or vacate an injunction, and to disallow the current practice of service by mail to the last known address, in accordance with Fla. Fam. L.R.P. 12.080.

3. FCADV joins the Florida Supreme Court's Family Court Steering Committee and the Florida Bar Family Court Rules of Procedure Committee in their expressed objections to and concerns about the amendments proposed in Rule 12.610(c)(6).

Respectfully submitted,

  
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I hereby certify that an original and seven copies of the foregoing document has been filed with the Supreme Court of Florida on this 14th day of December, 1998.

  
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