Supreme Court of Florida

No. SC96852

JOY FRIEDRICH,

Petitioner,

VS.

STATE OF FLORIDA,

Respondent.

[September 7, 2000]

PER CURIAM.

We have for review a decision on the following question certified to be of great public importance:

DOES LOVE V. GARCIA, 634 So.2d 158 (Fla.1994), APPLY IN CRIMINAL PROSECUTIONS WHERE BLOOD ALCOHOL TEST RESULTS ARE OFFERED AS PROOF TO ESTABLISH AN ELEMENT OF THE OFFENSE, IF THE BLOOD ALCOHOL TESTS WERE ADMINISTERED BY HOSPITAL PERSONNEL FOR MEDICAL TREATMENT PURPOSES?

Friedrich v. State, 743 So. 2d 1125, 1126 (Fla. 4th DCA 1999). We have jurisdiction.

<u>See</u> art. V, § 3(b)(4), Fla. Const.

We answered an identical certified question affirmatively in <u>Baber v. State</u>, No. SC96010 (Fla. Aug. 31, 2000). Because the district court's decision is consistent with our decision in <u>Baber</u>, we approve the decision below.¹

It is so ordered.

WELLS, C.J., and SHAW, HARDING, ANSTEAD, PARIENTE, LEWIS and QUINCE, JJ., concur.

NOT FINAL UNTIL TIME EXPIRES TO FILE REHEARING MOTION, AND IF FILED, DETERMINED.

Application for Review of the Decision of the District Court of Appeal - Certified Great Public Importance

Fourth District - Case No. 4D98-0891

(Palm Beach County)

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¹ We decline to address additional issues raised by petitioner as being outside the scope of the certified question and decision below.