



September 29, 2005

Clerk of Court
Florida Supreme Court
500 Duval St.
Tallahassee, FL 32399-1927

Re: Comments in Opposition to Grimes Petition to amend Rule 4-1.5(f)(4)(B)

May it please the Court:

This is to voice my strong opposition to the "Grimes Petition" which seeks to amend Rule 4-1.5(f)(4)(B) of the Rules Regulating the Florida Bar.

At this point, I echo the previously filed comments. The most harmful aspect of the petition is its obvious objective to disallow Floridians the ability to hire a lawyer of their own choosing and to obtain quality representation. Like Amendment 3, the petition especially harms Floridians that otherwise could not afford to hire a lawyer.

It is also my understanding that Mr. Grimes has conflict of interest, given his representation of the Florida Medical Association – the sponsor of Amendment 3. It appears that Mr. Grimes' petition constitutes inappropriate lobbying upon the Florida Supreme Court and, as such, the choice to refrain from changing a rule that should remain unaltered.

Respectfully Submitted,

Arthur B. Cavataro

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I hereby certify that a copy of the forgoing was served via U.S. Mail upon John Harkness, General Counsel, The Florida Bar, 651 E. Jefferson Street, Tallahassee, FL 3299-2300 and Stephen H. Grimes, Counsel for Petitioners, Holland + Knight, LLP, P.O. Box 810, Tallahassee, FL 32302-0810 on this the 29th day of September, 2005.