

SUPREME COURT OF FLORIDA

CASE NO. SC05-1150

In Re: Amendment to the Rules Regulating The Florida Bar – Rule 4.15(f)(4)(B) of The Rules of Professional Conduct

**NOTICE OF COMPLIANCE WITH COURT'S
ORDER DATED WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 12, 2005**

Thomas D. Hall, Clerk
Florida Supreme Court
500 South Duval Street
Tallahassee, FL 32399-1927

October 17, 2005

Re: Grimes Petition – SC05-1150

Dear Mr. Hall:

As an American and a citizen of the United States, (a very proud one at that), I have always lived by the rules governing this Nation without any questions. One of the things I am most proud of in being an American and a citizen of the United States is that I can make choices.

Even though we have the right to vote, we aren't always completely informed as to what we are voting for and unfortunately, Amendment 3 is a prime example. I truly believe if the majority of the Floridian population really understood Amendment 3, they would not have voted for it. Victims of medical malpractice are not going to receive more money. This Amendment was placed on the ballot by The Florida Medical Association because doctors want to gain some type of immunity from their negligent actions that have caused injury, death and damage to innocent individuals and families.

As I understand it, the Grimes Petition requests that lawyers are prevented from having their clients waive their rights under Amendment 3. If I were a potential victim of medical malpractice, how could I hire the appropriate lawyer to prosecute my case if I cannot waive my rights under Amendment 3? I want to be able to hire the lawyer of my choosing and it should be my choice as to whether or not I waive my rights under Amendment 3! Medical malpractice cases cost money to prosecute and I want to know that I am getting the best lawyers to help me.

Why is it that a person accused of a crime can waive his or her constitutional right, but I, a victim of medical malpractice, cannot waive my rights under Amendment 3? This does not make any sense to me, especially since I am the victim.

Therefore, the "Grimes Petition" should be denied.
Sincerely,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the foregoing was served by U.S. Mail upon John Harkness, General Counsel, The Florida Bar, 651 East Jefferson Street, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-2300 and Stephen H. Grimes, Counsel for Petitioners, Holland and Knight, LLP, P.O. Box 810, Tallahassee, FL 32302-0810 on this 17th day of October, 2005.

Karen DeSanti