

October 14, 2005

**Re: Petition to Limit Medical Malpractice Contingency Fees
#SC05-1150**

Dear Justices – Supreme Court of Florida:

Although Amendment 3 has passed, I understand its proponents are still not satisfied and are trying to limit my rights as a citizen even further. Their true intent is to deny ordinary citizens, such as myself, from engaging the services of a lawyer of my choice. They know how expensive litigation is, as well as the fact that I cannot afford to pay legal expenses upfront. The only fair solution for me is to have a contingency arrangement. Interestingly, it should be noted, that the fees of the attorneys representing the doctors and insurance companies are not limited. In fact, I strongly believe that the Petition before the Florida Supreme Court has nothing to do with giving the claimant a larger share of the award or settlement. In stead, I feel it has everything to do with restricting a person's ability to bring a valid claim against wrongdoers. Therefore, I strongly urge that the Petition before the Florida Supreme Court be defeated.

Sincerely,

Rosanna Gavilan-Wilder

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the original, as well as nine copies, were furnished by Federal Express to the Clerk of The Florida Supreme Court, 500 South Duval Street, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-1927 and was electronically filed (e-file@flcourts.org), as well as a copy being sent by Federal Express to the Executive Director/General Counsel of The Florida Bar, John F. HarKness, Jr., 651 E. Jefferson Street, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-2300, and Counsel for Petitioner, Stephen H. Grimes, Holland and Knight, LLP, 315 S. Calhoun Street, Suite 600, Tallahassee, Florida 32301, this 14th day of October, 2005.