

**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

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

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

October 17, 2005

Re: Grimes Petition - SCO5-1150

Dear Mr. Hall:

It has come to my attention that there is a Petition before the Supreme Court that attempts to limit attorney's fees in conjunction with Amendment 3. Having read all of the comments of various people as well as the Amendment itself, I believe the Amendment was designed inappropriately to limit attorney's fees and prevent the average citizen from getting the lawyer of their choice. It is obvious that no lawyer would be able to handle a medical malpractice case for a 10% attorney's fee. The Amendment seems to be designed by the insurance companies and Florida doctors to prevent any kind of legitimate malpractice case from going forward. I strongly believe that if the citizens of the State of Florida had known the real design of Amendment 3, they would have never voted for it.

It is my belief as an American citizen and a resident of the State of Florida, that I as an individual have the right to have the best lawyer possible for my case and the decision on what fee I pay should be between me and my lawyer. The government should not be able to state what I should pay for a car repair, for a cup of coffee, or for my attorney. I should be able to hire any lawyer I choose and negotiate any fee with them that I choose, and not be limited by the government or a special interest group.

In addition, if I choose to waive my rights under Amendment 3, I should have that right as well. I can waive my right to a jury trial, I can waive my right to counsel in a criminal case when my life might be on the line, so I should also have the right to waive any restriction on an attorney's fee that I choose to negotiate.

It is my belief that the choosing of a lawyer and the negotiation of the fee should be up to me and the lawyer that may represent me in a malpractice case. That right will be lost if the so called "Grimes Petition" is granted by the Court.

As a resident of the State of Florida and a believer in equal access to the Courts and my right to hire the best lawyer possible, I would respectfully ask that this Court strike down the Grimes Petition, as well as Amendment 3.

Thank you very much for taking the time to read this letter.

Very truly yours,

Deanna M. Kimbrough  
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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 FL 32399-2300 and Stephen H. Grimes, Counsel for Petitioners, Holland and Knight, LLP, P.O. Box 810, Tallahassee, FL 32302-0810 on this the 17th day of October, 2005.

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Deanna M. Kimbrough