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

Re: Grimes Amendment

To Whom it May Concern:

If I knew that by voting for Amendment 3 meant that it prevented me from getting the lawyer of my choice, I would never have voted for that amendment.

As a citizen I have the right to contract an attorney of my choice and pay the fee in a manner of my choice with the attorney I retain.

If I were a potential victim of medical malpractice, and wanted to hire a lawyer and the way to do that would be to waive any rights that I might have under Amendment 3, I believe I should have the right to do so. After all, I can waive my constitutional right if I am accused of a crime.

Sincerely,

Suzanne Izzo Ventresca

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Certificate of Service: I hereby certify that on October 17, 2005, the foregoing has been furnished by U.S. Mail to: Executive Director of the Florida Bar, John F. Harknes, Jr., 651 E. Jefferson Street, Tallahassee, FL 32399-2300 and Stephen H. Grimes, PO Drawer 810, Tallahassee, FL 32302 and filed electronically to the Court.