

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF FLORIDA

CASE NO: SC05-950

**IN RE: AMENDMENTS TO THE FLORIDA RULES OF JUVENILE
PROCEDURE; FORMS FOR USE WITH RULES OF JUVENILE
PROCEDURE; AND THE FLORIDA RULES OF APPELLATE
PROCEDURE — JUDICIAL WAIVER OF PARENTAL NOTICE OF
TERMINATION OF PREGNANCY**

**SUPPLEMENTAL COMMENTS OF THE
JUVENILE COURT RULES COMMITTEE**

Come now Alan Abramowitz, Chair, Juvenile Court Rules Committee, and John F. Harkness, Jr., Executive Director, The Florida Bar, and file these supplemental comments to the comments of the Juvenile Court Rules Committee filed in this case on August 30, 2005.

In their initial comments, the committee expressed concern about the placement of these proceedings in the Florida Rules of Juvenile Procedure. The committee's primary concern was the confidentiality of the young woman seeking the judicial waiver.

Since filing the comments, committee members have spoken with court personnel and attorneys who have had experience with the judicial waiver of parental notification statute. Based on their experiences, the concerns envisioned by placement of the judicial waiver in the Florida Rules of Juvenile Procedure have not materialized. The court personnel and attorneys do not believe it is necessary to move these proceedings out of the

juvenile court. Under these circumstances, the committee wishes to withdraw its comment regarding placement of these proceedings in the Rules of Juvenile Procedure.

This comment was approved in a committee conference call by a vote of 10-0. It was also reviewed and approved by the Board of Governors of the Florida Bar by a vote of 29-0.

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