

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF FLORIDA

CASE NO: SC06-159

**IN RE: AMENDMENTS TO THE FLORIDA RULES OF
APPELLATE PROCEDURE (OUT OF CYCLE)**

Come now Alan Abramowitz, Chair, Juvenile Court Rules Committee, and John F. Harkness, Jr., Executive Director, The Florida Bar, and file these comments in the above-referenced case.

The committee reviewed the proposed amendments to *Fla. R. App. P.* 9.130(a)(3)(C)(iii) at its January 19, 2006 meeting and by a vote of 20-0-4 approved the following comment. The comment has been reviewed and approved by the Executive Committee of The Florida Bar Board of Governors on March 15, 2006, by a vote of 9-0.

The committee has strong concerns that the inclusion of juvenile dependency and termination of parental rights orders as nonfinal orders for appellate review would eliminate the ability of parties to seek expedited review by writ and would significantly lengthen trial court proceedings and delay permanency for children.

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