

**IN THE SUPREME COURT OF FLORIDA**

**IN RE: AMENDMENTS TO FLORIDA RULE  
OF JUDICIAL ADMINISTRATION 2.215      CASE NO. SC07-596**

**RESPONSE OF THE FLORIDA RULES OF  
JUDICIAL ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE  
TO COURT'S REQUEST FOR FURTHER COMMENT**

Robert T. Benton, II, Chair, Florida Rules of Judicial Administration Committee, and John F. Harkness, Jr., Executive Director, The Florida Bar, file this response to the Court's request for further comment concerning the proposed amendment to subdivision (b)(10) of *Fla. R. Jud. Admin. 2.215*, which proposal was originally filed with the Court on April 4, 2007. The proposed amendment to the rule was derived from a proposal presented by the Florida Court Education Council (FCEC) and was unanimously approved with only minor stylistic changes by the Rules Committee on June 22, 2006.

The Rules Committee has reviewed the response filed by the FCEC on November 13, 2007. The FCEC's 15-page response was accompanied by 8 exhibits, totaling approximately 50 additional pages of supplemental material, primarily minutes from meetings of the FCEC at which this proposal was discussed. After a review of these materials, the members of the RJA Committee have unanimously concluded that the FCEC's response seems to be complete and to address the Court's concerns. By a vote of 39-0, therefore, the RJA Committee's endorses the FCEC's response and offers no further comment on the proposal.

WHEREFORE, the Rules of Judicial Administration Committee respectfully submits this response to the Court on December 3, 2007.

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## **CERTIFICATE OF COMPLIANCE**

I certify that this Response was prepared in MS Word using 14 point Times New Roman font.

## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I certify that a copy of this Response was served by United States Mail on The Honorable Jennifer Bailey, 175 N.W. 1st Ave., Suite 2128, Miami, FL 33128; The Honorable Kevin Emas, 73 West Flagler St., Suite 1307, Miami, FL 33130; and Martha Martin, Office of State Courts Administrator, 500 S. Duval St., Tallahassee, FL 32399-6556, on December 3, 2007.

/s/J. Craig Shaw

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