

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF FLORIDA

**IN RE: AMENDMENTS TO THE
FLORIDA RULES OF JUVENILE
PROCEDURE**

CASE No.: SC13-1354

COMMITTEE'S RESPONSE TO COMMENT

On October 3, 2013, this Court issued an opinion approving “fast-track” out-of-cycle amendments to the Rules of Juvenile Procedure to implement 2014 legislative changes. Because the amendments had not been published for comment before filing, the Court ordered that they be published in the November 1, 2013, *Florida Bar News*, with a comment deadline of December 2, 2013. One comment was received (*see* Appendix A). The Committee approved this response to comments by a vote of 13-0-1.

The Committee believes that the commenter, Carolyn Wilson Scott, a nonlawyer, misunderstands Fla. R. Juv. P. 8.135 and the amendment made to it. The change to the rule was the result of a renumbering of Fla. R. App. P. 9.020(h) to 9.020(i) in the e-filing decision (Case No.: SC13-399).

As to the purpose of Rule 8.135, this rule mirrors Fla. R. Crim. P. 3.800(b)(1) in that it allows the court to correct an illegal disposition or an error in the commitment order before the time that a notice of appeal must be filed. The comments that were made are not germane to the amendment. However, if the commenter wishes to propose changes to Rule 8.135, or any other rule, the Committee would consider them. The proposals must be in the proper format and must clearly state any reasons for the changes being proposed.

The Committee requests that no further changes be made to Rule 8.135.

Respectfully submitted December 20, 2013.

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