

**IN THE SUPREME COURT OF FLORIDA**

**IN RE: AMENDMENTS TO THE  
FLORIDA RULES OF JUDICIAL  
ADMINISTRATION—PARENTAL  
LEAVE**

**CASE NO.: 18-1554**

**MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME TO RESPOND**

Eduardo I. Sanchez, Chair of the Rules of Judicial Administration Committee (“Committee”), and Joshua Doyle, Executive Director of The Florida Bar, request an extension of time to respond to the comments filed in this case. The Committee’s response is presently due to be filed on December 6, 2018.

Many comments were received for the Committee’s consideration. Although many of the comments that were received raise issues that have already been addressed in the majority and minority reports that accompanied the Committee’s initial submission, some of the comments that were received have prompted the Committee to consider amendments to the proposed rule to remedy some significant issues that have been identified. The Committee has been coordinating with those commenters and with both the Juvenile Court Rules Committee and the Criminal Procedure Rules Committee to finalize an amendment that appropriately addresses the concerns that were raised. Although the Committee has *not* reconsidered or changed its opposition to the adoption of the parental-leave continuance rule, the Committee has nonetheless approved amendments to the version of rule 2.570 that is under consideration in this case, concluding that, *if a parental-leave continuance rule should be adopted*, the rule should contain the newly-approved amendments to address the concerns raised by commenters. In compliance with Florida Rule of Judicial Administration 2.140, these additional amendments must still be voted on by the Board of Governors. The Board has a full member meeting scheduled on December 14. Given that the Board is a commenter and has been active in this matter, and given that this Court has specifically invited the Board to comment on the rule, it seems most prudent to

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have a full Board vote on the Committee's proposed amendments to the proposed rule rather than an executive committee vote.

At this time, to allow the Committee and Board to properly address these newly-proposed amendments and to give the Committee the ability to report the positions of the pertinent commenters, the Juvenile Court Rules Committee, and the Criminal Procedure Rules Committee concerning the amendments, the Committee requests an extension of time until December 21, 2018, to file its response.

The commenters do not object to this extension.

Respectfully submitted on December 6, 2018.

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I certify that this motion was prepared in compliance with the font requirements of Florida Rules of Judicial Administration 9.210(a)(2).

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