

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF APPEAL
FIRST DISTRICT, STATE OF FLORIDA

G.S. and B.S., maternal
grandparents of I.S. and C.S.,
children,

Appellants/Cross-Appellees,

v.

CASE NO. 1D06-5264

T.B. and E.B., paternal grandparents,

Appellees/Cross-Appellants.

Opinion filed November 20, 2007.

An appeal from the Circuit Court for Duval County.

L. Haldane Taylor, Judge.

Bryan S. Gowdy and John S. Mills of Mills & Creed, P.A., Jacksonville, for
Appellants/Cross-Appellees.

William S. Graessle of William S. Graessle, P.A., Jacksonville, for Appellees/Cross-
Appellants.

OPINION ON APPELLANTS' MOTION TO CERTIFY
QUESTIONS OF GREAT PUBLIC IMPORTANCE,
FOR REHEARING EN BANC, AND FOR REHEARING

PER CURIAM.

This cause is before us on Appellants' Motion to Certify Questions of Great
Public Importance, For Rehearing En Banc, and For Rehearing. We deny the Motion

For Rehearing En Banc and For Rehearing, but grant the Motion to Certify Questions of Great Public Importance. We certify the following question as a matter of great public importance:

DOES A TRIAL COURT ABUSE ITS DISCRETION GRANTED BY CHAPTER 63, FLORIDA STATUTES, WHEN IT DENIES AN ADOPTION PETITION FILED BY THE ORPHANED CHILD'S MATERNAL GRANDPARENTS, WHO ARE DEEMED TO BE FIT PROSPECTIVE PARENTS, BASED ON THE COURT'S DETERMINATION THAT DENYING THE PETITION IS IN THE CHILD'S BEST INTEREST FOR ENSURING THE PATERNAL GRANDPARENTS' INVOLVEMENT IN THE CHILD'S LIFE?

BROWNING, C.J., WOLF and THOMAS, JJ., CONCUR.