STATE OF LOUISIANA COURT OF APPEAL, THIRD CIRCUIT

12-996 consolidated with 12-995

CHARLES TAYLOR, JR., ET UX.

VERSUS

DR. RICHARD CLEMENT, ET AL.

APPEAL FROM THE FOURTEENTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT PARISH OF CALCASIEU, NO. 1999-191 C/W 1997-4329 HONORABLE CLAYTON DAVIS, DISTRICT JUDGE

MARC T. AMY JUDGE

Court composed of Ulysses Gene Thibodeaux, Chief Judge, Jimmie C. Peters, and Marc T. Amy, Judges.

AFFIRMED. MOTION FOR EN BANC HEARING DENIED.

Thibodeaux, Chief Judge, specially concurs.

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For the reasons expressed in the consolidated case of *Susan Arrington v. ER Physician Group*, 12-995 (La.App. 3 Cir. _/_/13), _ So.3d _, the judgment of the trial court, rendered on June 18, 2012 is affirmed. The motion for en banc hearing is denied. All costs of this proceeding are assessed to the plaintiffs-appellants.

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I still maintain my position that the medical malpratice cap is unconstitutional on the bases of equal protection, due process, and separation of powers. However, I must sacrifice my intellectual independence and judicial beliefs to what is the clear pronouncement of the Louisiana Supreme Court in *Oliver v. Magnolia Clinic*, 11-2132 (La. 3/13/12), 85 So.3d 39.