

In the Indiana Supreme Court

In the Matter of the Civil Commitment of:

J.F.,

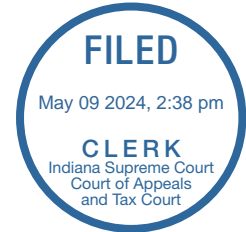
Appellant–Respondent,

v.

St. Vincent Hosp. and Health Care Ctr.,
Inc., d/b/a St. Vincent Stress Center,
Appellee–Petitioner.

Court of Appeals Case No.
23A-MH-752

Trial Court Case No.
49D08-2303-MH-9936



Published Order Inviting Amicus Curiae Briefing

The Court of Appeals issued an opinion holding that J.F.’s appeal of her temporary involuntary commitment is moot and does not fall under an exception to the mootness doctrine. *J.F. v. St. Vincent Hosp. and Health Care Ctr.*, 222 N.E.3d 1020 (Ind. Ct. App. 2023), *trans. pending*. The appellant has filed a transfer petition, and the appellee has opposed transfer. We now invite amicus curiae briefing on the issue presented on transfer: **Whether this Court should reconsider or clarify our opinion in *E.F. v. St. Vincent Hosp. and Health Care Ctr., Inc.*, 188 N.E.3d 464 (Ind. 2022), to provide further guidance in applying the public-interest exception to mootness.**

Pursuant to Appellate Rule 41, any entity wishing to prepare and file a brief as amicus curiae must file a motion for leave to appear as amicus and tender its proposed brief on or before **July 10, 2024**. The Court encourages the submission of joint briefs if similarly aligned entities seek to appear as amici. Any amicus brief must not exceed 4,200 words, exclusive of the items listed in Appellate Rule 44(C), and must be accompanied by the verified statement of word count. *See* App. R. 44(F). Each party may file a single response brief, not exceeding 4,200 words, addressing any and all amicus brief(s) whose arguments they oppose; any such response briefs must be filed on or before **July 30, 2024**, and must comply with Appellate Rule 44(C) and (F).

After submission of all briefs, the Court will issue an order scheduling oral argument, and we welcome amicus participation in this argument.

Done at Indianapolis, Indiana, on 5/9/2024.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Loretta H. Rush".

Loretta H. Rush
Chief Justice of Indiana

All Justices concur.