

Syllabus

SULLIVAN *v.* FLORIDACERTIORARI TO THE DISTRICT COURT OF APPEAL OF FLORIDA,
FIRST DISTRICT

No. 08–7621. Argued November 9, 2009—Decided May 17, 2010

Certiorari dismissed. Reported below: 987 So. 2d 83.

Bryan A. Stevenson argued the cause for petitioner. With him on the briefs were *Aaryn M. Urell* and *Alicia A. D’Addario*.

Scott D. Makar, Solicitor General of Florida, argued the cause for respondent. With him on the brief were *Bill McCollum*, Attorney General, *Louis F. Hubener*, Chief Deputy Solicitor General, and *Timothy D. Osterhaus*, *Craig D. Feiser*, *Courtney Brewer*, and *Ronald A. Lathan*, Deputy Solicitors General.*

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Briefs of *amici curiae* urging affirmance were filed for the State of Louisiana et al. by *James D. “Buddy” Caldwell*, Attorney General of Louisiana, and *Kyle Duncan*, Appellate Chief, by *Richard S. Gebelein*, Chief Deputy Attorney General of Delaware, and by the Attorneys General for their respective States as follows: *Troy King* of Alabama, *Gregory F. Zoeller* of Indiana, *Jack Conway* of Kentucky, *Michael A. Cox* of Michigan, *Jim Hood* of Mississippi, *Roy Cooper* of North Carolina, *Wayne Stenehjem* of North Dakota, *W. A. Drew Edmondson* of Oklahoma, *Thomas W. Cor-*

Per Curiam

PER CURIAM.

The writ of certiorari is dismissed as improvidently granted.

It is so ordered.

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Briefs of *amici curiae* were filed for the American Association of Jewish Lawyers and Jurists et al. by *Michael B. de Leeuw*; for the American Medical Association et al. by *E. Joshua Rosenkranz*; for the Center on the Administration of Criminal Law by *Richard K. Willard* and *Anthony S. Barkow*; for the Center for Constitutional Jurisprudence by *Anthony T. Caso*, *Edwin Meese III*, and *John C. Eastman*; for the Council of Juvenile Correctional Administrators et al. by *Corrine A. Irish*; for the Criminal Justice Legal Foundation by *Kent S. Scheidegger*; for the NAACP Legal Defense & Educational Fund, Inc., et al. by *John A. Payton*, *Debo P. Adegbile*, *Christina Swarns*, *Jin Hee Lee*, *Vincent M. Southerland*, *Charles J. Ogletree, Jr.*, *Robert J. Smith*, and *Jeffrey L. Fisher*; and for the National Organization of Victims of Juvenile Lifers et al. by *Shannon Lee Goessling*.