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should be granted if the procedure is necessary to further an important public interest.

The Appellate Court was clear in stating all courts in Florida possess the inherent power to do all things that are reasonable and necessary for the administration of justice, subject to existing statutes and our Constitution. Our courts' inherent powers include the ability to protect witnesses. The Appellate Court concluded the Trial Judge could have relied on the inherent power of the court to grant the motion.

The court declared the State has an interest in protecting child victims of sexual or other abuse from the additional trauma of testifying in open court, in the presence of the defendant.

The court concluded the child was undeniably impaired both cognitively and emotionally and it was undisputed that testifying in person before her mother would cause her substantial harm. Because the child was under 18, the court concluded the Trial Judge had the discretion to grant the motion. The Trial Judge's decision was reversed and the case was sent back to the Trial Court with instructions that the child should be allowed to testify by closed circuit television.

This case is an excellent example affirming the court's inherent power to administer justice in a fair and reasonable manner. The court's decision was rendered October 31, 2001, and can be found in the books at 26 Florida Law Weekly, D2609.

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Tina Marie McQuaig

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