

## **HEALTH INSURANCE PROPOSAL BY STEVE ARNOLD, ESQ.**

The following is a proposed amendment of Rule 32(B)(7), Alabama Rules of Judicial Administration (ARJA), entitled, "Health Insurance Premiums," part of the Child Support Guidelines rule:

- (a) The definition of health insurance cost shall be the greater of the following:
  - i) The actual premium specifically charged for dependant coverage related to and for the minor child(ren) if ascertainable.  
  
OR if i) hereinabove is not ascertainable
  - ii) The proportionate share of the total health insurance premiums costs the number of children bear to the total.
  
- (b) The amount to be added to the "basic child support obligation" for computation of the total support obligation for health insurance costs shall be the equivalent of the greater of the following:
  - i) The actual premium specifically charged for dependant coverage related to and for the minor child(ren) ascertainable.  
  
OR if i) hereinabove is not ascertainable
  - ii) The proportionate share of the total health insurance premiums cost the number of children covered bear to the total.