

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF APPEAL OF THE STATE OF FLORIDA
FIFTH DISTRICT

JANUARY TERM 2009

A.G., MOTHER OF J.A.M.,
A CHILD,

Appellant,

v.

Case No. 5D08-2944

DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN
AND FAMILIES, ET AL.,

Appellee.

Opinion filed January 27, 2009

Appeal from the Circuit Court
for Orange County,
Gail Adams, Judge.

Susan L. Ray, Orlando, for Appellant.

Jeffrey Dana Gillen, West Palm Beach,
for Appellee.

PER CURIAM.

We affirm based on the reasoning of the Fourth District in *E.T. v. State, Department of Children & Families*, 930 So. 2d 721 (Fla. 4th DCA 2006). We certify the following question to the supreme court as a question of great public importance.

MAY A PARENT WHOSE PARENTAL RIGHTS HAVE BEEN
TERMINATED CHALLENGE THE JUDGMENT OF TERMINATION BY
PETITION FOR HABEAS CORPUS ON THE BASIS THAT THE PARENT
WAS DENIED EFFECTIVE ASSISTANCE OF COUNSEL?

AFFIRMED; QUESTION CERTIFIED.

PALMER, C.J., ORFINGER and TORPY, JJ., concur.