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**BRIAN R. MARTINOTTI
J.S.C.**

**SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY
LAW DIVISION: BERGEN COUNTY**

**IN RE STRYKER REJUVENATE
HIP STEM AND ABG II
MODULAR HIP STEM
LITIGATION**

**CASE NO. 296
MASTER DOCKET NO.:BER-L-936-13**

CIVIL ACTION

**ORDER REGARDING
ALTERNATIVE OPTION FOR
SERVICE OF COMPLAINTS
UNDER CERTAIN SPECIFIC
CIRCUMSTANCES**

This Matter having been assigned to the Honorable Brian R. Martinotti, J.S.C. pursuant to the Supreme Court's Order of January 24, 2013, designating this matter for Multicounty Litigation Status ("MCL") of Stryker Rejuvenate Hip Stem and ABG II Modular Hip Stem Litigation, and the Court having determined, with the consent of counsel, that an alternative, limited means of service of Plaintiffs' Short Form Complaints under certain specific circumstances would promote efficiency in this MCL,

IT IS on this **B** day of August 2013,

ORDERED

1. This Order applies only to the Stryker Rejuvenate Modular Hip Stem and ABG II Modular Hip Stem actions centralized for coordinated management in the Bergen County Vicinage and all those hereinafter filed or transferred to the Bergen County Vicinage pursuant to the Supreme Court Order dated January 24, 2013.

2. In the interests of efficiency and judicial economy, and at the Court's request, Defendant Howmedica Osteonics Corp. ("HOC") has agreed to an alternative

means of service of Plaintiffs' Short Form Complaints **only under certain limited circumstances, as described herein, and only for purposes of this MCL:**

a. For those law firms that have previously filed and properly served on HOC 25 or more cases in this MCL, Short Form Complaints may be served upon Counsel for HOC by the following means:

i. The Short Form Complaint must be served via Federal Express addressed to Kim M. Catullo, Esq., Gibbons P.C., One Gateway Center, Newark, New Jersey 07102-5310; and

ii. The Short Form Complaint must simultaneously be served via e-mail upon the following individuals:

- Kim M. Catullo, Esq. - kcatullo@gibbonslaw.com
- Samantha L. Spicer, Esq. - sspicer@gibbonslaw.com
- Cindy Gugg - cgugg@gibbonslaw.com
- Rosemarie Medina - rmedina2@gibbonslaw.com



Hon. Brian R. Martinotti, J.S.C.