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Carol E. Higbee, P.J.Cv.

IN RE: ACCUTANE® LITIGATION

SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY
LAW DIVISION: ATLANTIC COUNTY

CASE NO. 271

CIVIL ACTION
ACCUTANE® LITIGATION

ORDER DENYING MOTION TO RECUSE

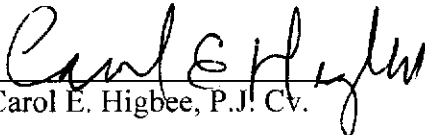
THIS MATTER having been brought before the Court upon the application of Defendants Hoffmann-La Roche Inc. and Roche Laboratories (collectively "Roche" or "Defendants"), by and through their counsel, Gibbons P.C., for the entry of an Order pursuant to R. 1:12-2, recusing the Hon. Carol E. Higbee, P.J.Cv. from presiding over the Accutane Multicounty Litigation, and the Court having indicated on the record on December 6, 2012 that it will refrain from trying any further cases in this MCL proceeding pending appellate review of this Court's decision as set forth herein, and the Court having considered the moving papers and any opposition submitted thereto, and the arguments of counsel, and for good cause having been shown:

IT IS on this 13 day of Feb, 2013,

ORDERED that Defendants' Motion to Recuse Pursuant to R. 1:12-2 is denied as set forth in this Court's written opinion, dated 2-13-13 and it is further

ORDERED that should leave to appeal be sought of the within Order, then and in that event, the Court recommends that if leave is granted that the matter be heard on an expedited basis in the interests of justice and to advance these proceedings; and it is further

ORDERED that a copy of this Order shall be served upon all counsel of record within 2 days of its receipt by counsel for Defendants.



Hon. Carol E. Higbee, P.J. CV.