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Accord Healthcare, Inc.

ANN MARIE BIGWOOD and
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Plaintiffs,

vs.

SANOFI U.S. SERVICES INC.,
formerly known as SANOFI-AVENTIS
U.S. INC. et al.,

Defendants.

SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY
LAW DIVISION – MIDDLESEX COUNTY

DOCKET NO. MID-L-7819-18-CM

MASTER DOCKET NO. MID-L-4998-18 CM

CIVIL ACTION
In Re Taxotere Litigation

**ORDER GRANTING THE MOTION FOR
THE PRO HAC VICE ADMISSION OF
BRENDA SWEET, ESQ.**

THE MATTER having come before the Court on the Motion of Defendant Accord Healthcare, Inc. (“Accord”) for an Order admitting attorney Brenda Sweet, Esq., from the Cleveland, Ohio office of Tucker Ellis, LLP, pro hac vice in the above matter; and the Court having read and considered all submissions in connection with the Motion; and the Court having found that Brenda Sweet, Esq. is a member in good standing of the Ohio Bar, and the Court having dismissed with prejudice on January 19, 2021 all claims against Accord in Robin Milow (MID-L-6177-18-CM), the matter in which Ms. Sweet previously was admitted pro hac vice; and for good cause appearing;

IT IS on this 5 day of March, 2021,

ORDERED that Brenda Sweet, Esq. is hereby admitted pro hac vice to represent Accord in this litigation in association with New Jersey counsel, Riker Danzig Scherer Hyland & Perretti, LLP, in the above matter; and

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that:

1. Ms. Sweet may try the action, but shall not be designated trial counsel under Rule 4:25-4. No proceedings shall be adjourned because Ms. Sweet is unavailable;
2. All pleadings, motions, and correspondence to the Court must be submitted by New Jersey counsel, unless the Court specifically waives this provision;
3. Ms. Sweet must be accompanied by a member of the New Jersey Bar at all proceedings;
4. Ms. Sweet shall consent to the appointment of the Clerk of the Supreme Court of New Jersey as an agent upon whom service of process may be made for all actions against her firm that may arise out of their participation in this matter;
5. Ms. Sweet shall be required to make annual payments to the Disciplinary Oversight Committee (Rule 1:20-1(b)), the New Jersey Lawyers' Fund for Client Protection (Rule 1:28-2(a)), and the New Jersey Lawyers Assistance Program (Rule 1:28B-1(e));
6. Ms. Sweet must, within ten (10) days of the entry of the Order for Admission, pay the fees required by Rule 1:20-1(b), Rule 1:28-2, and Rule 1:28B-1(e), and submit an affidavit of compliance within fifteen (15) days thereafter. During the pendency of these matters, Ms. Sweet shall continue to comply with Rule 1:20-1(b), Rule 1:28-2, and Rule 1:28B-1(e) on an annual basis and shall submit an affidavit of compliance within thirty (30) days of such compliance;

7. Admission pro hac vice shall be automatically terminated for failure to make any required annual payment, upon appropriate notification from the Administrative Office of the Courts that the annual payment has not been made. Proof of such payment, after filing proof of the initial payment, shall be made no later than February 1st of each year;

8. Noncompliance with any of the requirements of pro hac vice admission shall constitute grounds for removal.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that service of this Order shall be deemed effectuated upon all parties upon its upload to e-Courts. Pursuant to Rule 1:5-1(a), movant shall serve a copy of this Order on all parties not served electronically within seven (7) days of the date of this Order.

/s/ Bruce J. Kaplan

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(X) Unopposed

Having read and considered the above motion, the Court finds it to be unopposed, meritorious on its face, and in compliance with R. 1:21-2. Pursuant to R. 1:6-2, it therefore will be granted essentially for the reasons set forth in the moving papers.