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v.

Actavis, Inc.; Actavis Pharma, Inc.; and Actavis Laboratories UT, Inc.

MARIAN JONES.

Plaintiff,

MERCK SHARP & DOHME CORP., et al.,

Defendants.

SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY LAW DIVISION: MIDDLESEX COUNTY DOCKET NO. MID-L-000498-16 MCL CASE NO. 282

CIVIL ACTION

ORDER

THIS MATTER, having been brought before the Court upon motion by Blank Rome LLP, attorneys for Defendants, Actavis, Inc.; Actavis Pharma, Inc.; and Actavis Laboratories UT, Inc. ("Actavis"), for an Order to Dismiss the Plaintiff's complaint without prejudice pursuant to <u>R.</u> 4:23-5(a)(1), for failure to effectuate the probate process to appoint a formal estate representative and substitute the estate, and the Court having read and considered the papers submitted in this matter, and for good cause having been shown;

IT IS on this 3rd day of February, 2023;

ORDERED that Actavis' Motion to Dismiss without prejudice **is hereby GRANTED**; and it is further

ORDERED that Plaintiff's, Marian Jones', Complaint is hereby DISMISSED WITHOUT PREJUDICE as to Defendants Actavis, Inc.; Actavis Pharma, Inc.; and Actavis Laboratories UT, Inc.; and it is further

ORDERED that service of this Order shall be deemed effectuated upon all parties upon its upload to eCourts. Pursuant to <u>Rule</u> 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.

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UNOPPOSED

Having reviewed the above motion, the Court finds it to be meritorious on its face and is unopposed. Pursuant to \underline{R} . 1:6-2, it therefore will be granted essentially for the reasons set forth in the moving papers.