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In Re: Fosamax® Litigation

THIS DOCUMENT RELATES TO:
ALL ACTIONS

SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY
LAW DIVISION: MIDDLESEX COUNTY

MCL No. 282

Master Docket No. MID-L-007153-14

**ORDER GRANTING MOTION FOR
ADMISSION OF BENJAMIN TORRES,
ESQ. *PRO HAC VICE***

THIS MATTER having been brought before the Court by the Actonel Defendants, seeking the admission *pro hac vice* of Benjamin Torres, Esquire, an attorney admitted to the practice of law in the State of Georgia, to participate with other counsel for the Actonel Defendants in all phases of this matter, and it appearing that Benjamin Torres, Esquire is in good standing with the Bar of the State of Georgia, and it appearing that King & Spalding LLP has a long-standing attorney-client relationship involving several matters for the Actonel Defendants, and that the Actonel Defendants have requested that Mr. Torres represent them in this matter, and the Court having considered the moving papers, and for good cause having been shown;

IT IS on this 27th day of January, 2026,

ORDERED that Defendants' motion for the *pro hac vice* admission of Benjamin Torres, Esquire, is hereby **GRANTED**; and it is further

ORDERED that Benjamin Torres, Esquire, of the law firm King & Spalding LLP be and hereby is admitted *pro hac vice* to represent the Actonel Defendants, pursuant to R. 1:21-2, and is

authorized to appear and participate with other counsel for the Actonel Defendants in all phases of this matter, subject to the following conditions:

1. Benjamin Torres, Esquire is hereby admitted pro hac vice in this matter to appear as co-counsel on behalf of the Actonel Defendants;

2. Benjamin Torres, Esquire is hereby required to abide by the Rules Governing the Courts of the State of New Jersey, including all disciplinary rules, R. 1:20-1 and R. 1:28-2;

3. Benjamin Torres, Esquire shall, and hereby does, consent to the appointment of the Clerk of the Supreme Court as an agent upon whom service of process may be made for all actions against the Actonel Defendants that may arise out of his participation in this matter;

4. Benjamin Torres, Esquire shall immediately notify the Court of any matter affecting his standing at the Bar of any other jurisdiction;

5. Benjamin Torres, Esquire shall have all pleadings, briefs, and other papers filed in this Court signed by an attorney of record authorized to practice in the State of New Jersey and before this Court, who shall be responsible for said papers, the conduct of the litigation and the attorney admitted herein;

6. Benjamin Torres, Esquire or any other out of state attorney cannot be designated as trial counsel and must be accompanied by a member of the New Jersey Bar for all proceedings, unless specifically waived by the Court;

7. No discovery, motion, trial or any other proceeding delay shall occur or be requested by reason of the inability of Benjamin Torres, Esquire to be in attendance;

8. Benjamin Torres, Esquire must, within (10) days of admission, pay the fees required by R.1:20-1(b) and R. 1:28-2 and submit an affidavit of compliance;

9. Pro hac vice admission will automatically terminate for failure to make the initial and any annual payment required by R. 1:20-1(b) and R. 1:28-2. Permission to speak 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 each year, within thirty (30) days of timely payment of the fees required by R. 1:20-1(b) and R. 1:28-2;

10. Non-compliance with any of the terms of this Order shall constitute grounds for removal;

11. Non-compliance with any rules relating to admission pro hac vice shall be grounds for removal; and it is further

ORDERED that service of this Order shall be deemed effectuated upon all parties upon its upload to eCourts. Pursuant to R. 1:5-1(a), movant shall serve a copy of this Order on all parties not served electronically within seven (7) days of the entry of the Order.

UNOPPOSED

/s/ Bruce J. Kaplan

Honorable Bruce J. Kaplan P.J.Cv.

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