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**RACHELLE L. HARZ
J.S.C.**

SANDRA CLARK AND LARRY CLARK,

Plaintiffs,

v.

C.R. BARD, et al.,
AND JOHN DOES 1-20,

Defendants.

SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY
LAW DIVISION - BERGEN COUNTY
DOCKET NO. BER-L-2463-17

MASTER CASE NO. BER-L-17717-14

CIVIL ACTION
Bard Litigation, Case No. 292

**CONSENT ORDER EXTENDING TIME FOR
DEFENDANTS TO RESPOND TO
COMPLAINT**

THIS Matter having been brought before the Court by Defendant Ethicon, Inc. ("Defendant"), through its counsel Riker Danzig Scherer Hyland & Perretti, LLP; and

WHEREAS on October 7, 2021, Defendants filed a Motion to Dismiss Plaintiffs Sandra and Larry Clark's Amended Complaint for failure to serve Defendants with process, and Plaintiffs filed opposition on December 6, 2021, Defendants filed a reply on December 13, 2021, and the return date having been set for December 17, 2021; and

WHEREAS on January 5, 2022, Plaintiffs attempted service of process on Defendants; and

WHEREAS oral argument has not yet been scheduled and the Court has not yet ruled on the pending motion; and for good cause shown,

IT IS on this 11th day of January, 2022,

ORDERED that the Defendants' obligation to respond to the Complaint is stayed; and

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that

1. Should the motion to dismiss be granted, Defendants shall have no obligation to respond to the Complaint as the matter will have been dismissed; or
2. Should the motion to dismiss be denied in whole or in part, the time in which Defendants' obligation to answer, move or otherwise respond to the Complaint shall be set at 35 days after the date of entry of an order resolving the motion.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a copy of this Order shall be served on all counsel within seven (7) days of its receipt by counsel.



Hon. Rachelle L. Harz, J.S.C.

CONSENTED TO AS TO FORM AND ENTRY:

Consent Order extending time to respond to Complaint
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¹ Pursuant to the New Jersey Supreme Court Omnibus Order on Covid-19 issues entered on March 27, 2020, " The provisions of Rule 1:32-2A(c) and all other Court Rules requiring original signatures on filings are relaxed and supplemented so as to permit electronic signatures to be used in all filing processes temporarily authorized to be used during the COVID-19 crisis, including, but not limited to emergent applications submitted by email and hardcopy submissions in dockets without an approved electronic filing system.. "