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IN RE: PELVIC MESH/GYNECARE  
LITIGATION

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GREGG A. MOODY, JR., J.S.C.

SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY

LAW DIVISION: BERGEN COUNTY

CASE NO. 291

MASTER DOCKET NO.: BER-L-11575-14

CIVIL ACTION

CASE

MANAGEMENT ORDER #120

All prior orders remain in full force and  
effect except as modified by this Order.

THIS MATTER having been reassigned to the Bergen County Vicinage, from Atlantic County, pursuant to the Supreme Court's Order of October 31, 2014; the Court having conducted a Case Management Conference on April 23, 2025; counsel appearing; for good cause shown and for the reasons set forth on the record;

IT IS on this 29<sup>th</sup> day of April 2025, **ORDERED** as follows:

**I. CASE MANAGEMENT**

**II. TRIAL SETTING.**

**A. Trial Settings.**

- a. The parties will report to the Court at the next CMC about the status of CMO 105 and other activated cases from which a next trial setting might be set.

**III. CASE MANAGEMENT DEADLINES.**

- A. CMO 119 was entered on April 22, 2025, identifying 33 of the CMO 105-activated cases now subject to additional discovery deadlines set forth therein.
- B. CMO 105 entered on December 1, 2023, continues to govern case work up deadlines for CMO 105-activated cases not listed on CMO 119, unless otherwise ordered by the Court. **There are 85 cases on CMO 105**

(including the 33 identified in CMO 119) and later CMOs that should be proceeding with active records collection and preparing to schedule depositions when sufficient records are collected. A list of the 85 cases is attached hereto as Exhibit A, with the cases subject to CMO 119 highlighted in green.

1. PARTIES SHALL NOTE THAT COMPLIANCE WITH PFS-RELATED DEADLINES UNDER CMO 105, and for all other active cases, REQUIRES THE PROVISION, *INTER ALIA*, OF THE MOST CURRENT UPDATED RECORDS RELEASE AUTHORIZATIONS, which were appended to the "Updated and Amended Notice and Order Regarding Service of Plaintiff's Fact Sheets, Required Records Authorizations and Applications for Extensions of Service Dates, entered on March 17, 2025. This Order can be located on the MCL website at:

<https://www.njcourts.gov/sites/default/files/mcl/orders-decisions/pelvic-mesh-gynecare/general/factsheet.pdf?cb=0de14254>

and the current PFS with the current records release authorizations can be located at:

<https://www.njcourts.gov/sites/default/files/mcl/pelvic-mesh---gynecare/factsheetauthorizations.pdf>

2. Any Plaintiff with a compliant CMO 105 case not listed on CMO 119 shall evaluate records collection status and meet and confer with Defense Counsel to assess whether sufficient medical records have been collected to begin scheduling plaintiffs' depositions. Cases activated after CMO 105 shall continue with records collections. As those cases progress, Plaintiff and Defense Counsel shall likewise meet and confer as to scheduling plaintiffs' depositions.

#### IV. ADDITIONAL CASES TO BE ACTIVATED

- A. **Newly Filed Cases.** All cases filed since the entry of CMO 105 are considered activated. Such cases are not to await any specific activation order. The below newly filed cases have specifically been identified since the last case management conference and are listed below by way of example. Records collection shall proceed immediately upon timely service, as required by the current protocols, of fully-compliant plaintiffs' fact sheets and all required current authorizations. Plaintiffs' depositions shall be scheduled as soon as practicable upon collection of the requisite records. The following are identified among those in this category.

1. Hall, Ashley v. Ethicon, Inc., et al., BER-L-1788-25
2. Freiss, Deborah v. Ethicon, Inc., et al., BER-L-1951-25

3. Sowka, Shauna v. Ethicon, Inc., et al., BER-L-2445-25

All newly filed cases are considered active and must comply with the MCL protocols regarding service of PFS. The proper authorization forms currently can be found appended to the Updated PFS protocol entered by the Court on March 17, 2025.

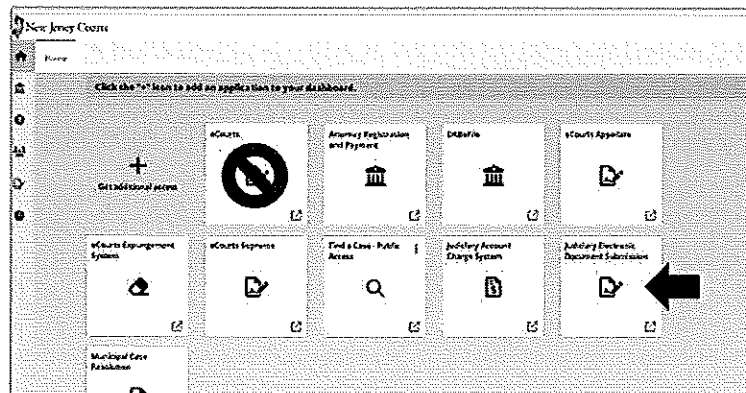
- A. **Activation of MSA Exhibit B Cases.** There remain active on the docket over 1000 cases involving plaintiffs who allege they have a currently marketed Ethicon SUI product implanted, but have not had a revision surgery, which cases are identified on Exhibits B to their plaintiffs' firms' Master Settlement Agreements ("MSA"). **The cases on the CMO 116 Exhibit B in this category were activated as of the date of entry of CMO 116 on March 13, 2025. Case management Order 117 entered on April 1, 2025, contains the milestone deadlines for, among other things, update of PFS and updated authorizations.**

V. **MOTIONS.**

Regarding the two pending motions in Kandace Stotts v. Ethicon, Inc., et als., BER-L-7218-18 (the remaining active but not compliant CMO 84 Exh. Y case), before the Court is a proposed Order that would resolve both motions. A summary status email was submitted to the Court on January 23, 2025.

VI. **FILINGS ON ECOURTS**

All Counsel and parties to this MCL are reminded that this is a JEDS (Judiciary Electronic Document Submission) system litigation. Counsel are **not** to use eCourts to file pleadings and other documents. This MCL requires paper filing or filing through the JEDS submission system.



Any fees charged through an improper submission on eCourts will not be refunded. Please see CMO 96 regarding service and filing notifications. **Also, JEDS submission does not equate with service. Anything submitted via JEDS (or in paper format) must be served on all counsel of record separately in accordance with the Rules of**

**Court and/or protocols in this MCL (unless counsel have consented to receive service via email only).**

**VII. MISCELLANEOUS**

The next case management conference will be held on Wednesday, **June 18, 2025** at 10:30 a.m. for liaison counsel only (via Telephone or Zoom) and at 11:00 a.m. for all counsel via telephone on the record; The Conference will be virtual or telephonic unless otherwise directed by Judge Padovano.



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GREGG A. PADOVANO, J.S.C.

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**EXHIBIT A**

**In re Pelvic Mesh/ Gynecare MCL**

**(Current active CMO 105 cases that should be in active records collection and beginning to schedule depositions)<sup>1</sup>**

	<b>Plaintiff/Case Name</b>	<b>Docket #</b>	<b>PL Firm(s)</b>
1	Anderson, Jacqueline and Michael	BER-L-001904-23	Motley Rice New Jersey, LLC; Wagstaff Law Firm
2	Baisch-Ricker, Kristin	BER-L-000298-24	Schroeder Law Office, PLLC Karen Schroder that this was a Bossier case when served the SFAs
3	Bakaj, Deborah	BER-L-002735-23	Anapol Weiss
4	Bible, Violetta	BER-L-006845-22	Bailey & Glasser, LLP; Cohen Placitella & Roth, PC
5	Biller, Lisa	BER-L-0950-24	Schroeder Law Office, PLLC
6	Boudreaux, Terrie	BER-L-4331-24	Schroeder Law Office, PLLC
7	Britt, Vicki	BER-L-5026-24	Schroeder Law Office, PLLC
8	Bryant, Katharine	BER-L-014435-14	Cohen Placitella; Roth, PC; Taylor Martino, PC
9	Bunn, Jodi	BER-L-1202-24	Anapol Weiss
10	Cardenas, Connie	BER-L-005204-22	Motley Rice New Jersey, LLC; Wagstaff Law Firm
11	Carrillo, Kimberly	BER-L-4197-24	Schroeder Law Office, PLLC
12	Chiofalo, Gail	BER-L-005652-23	Schroeder Law Office, PLLC
13	Colon, Marilyn	BER-L-4308-23	Stark & Stark
14	Conn, Janice	BER-L-1300-24	Cohen Placitella & Roth, PC
15	Cooper, Charlene	BER-L-4466-24	Schroeder Law Office, PLLC
16	Doyle, Dianna	BER-L-005205-22	Motley Rice New Jersey, LLC; Wagstaff Law Firm
17	Duley, Susan	BER-L-157-25	Schroeder Law Office, PLLC
18	Eliot-Johnson, Dawn and Christopher	BER-L-7271-24	Anapol Weiss
19	Franke, Jacalyn	BER-L-7971-19	Schroeder Law Office
20	Garcia, Maria and Angel	BER-L-013433-14	Simonson Hess Leibowitz & Goodman, PC Order relieving Cohen Placitella as Counsel Entered 8/28/13
21	Gibilisco, Deborah and Benedict	BER-L-013132-14	Parker Waichman, LLP
22	Godsey, Vicki Sue	BER-L-004309-23	Bailey & Glasser, LLP; Cohen Placitella & Roth, PC

<sup>1</sup> Cases highlighted in green are subject to the CMO 119 deadlines.

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23	Gore, Marion and Raymond	BER-L-011110-14	Cohen Placitella; Roth, P.C.
24	Harley, Judith	BER-L-25-25	Cohen Placitella & Roth, PC
25	Harrill, Barbara and James	BER-L-006460-23	Anapol Weiss
26	Harrington, Kristin	BER-L-7126-24	Schroeder Law Office, PLLC
27	Haskins, Wendy	BER-L-3173-24	Anapol Weiss
28	Hazelwood, Laura	BER-L-4836-24	Schroeder Law Office, PLLC
29	Hilligoss, Gweneth	BER-L-6893-24	Schroeder Law Office, PLLC
30	Holler, Barbara	BER-L-005539-23	Anapol Weiss
31	Huxtable, Gena and Richard	BER-L-006705-22	Motley Rice New Jersey, LLC
32	Jackson, Linda	BER-L-5872-24	Schroeder Law Office, PLLC
33	Jaramillo, Julia	BER-L-337-25	Schroeder Law Office, PLLC
34	Johnson, Finesha	BER-L-1492-24	Cohen Placitella & Roth, PC
35	Johnson, Tori	BER-L-3236-24	Anapol Weiss
36	Jordan, Carmen	BER-L-5823-24	Schroeder Law Office, PLLC
37	Koberger, Julie	BER-L-5682-24	Schroeder Law Office, PLLC
38	Laneve, Janet	BER-L-003537-23	Schroeder Law Office, PLLC; Bossier
39	Lemoine, Randi	BER-L-1180-24	Schroeder Law Office, PLLC
40	Mason, Kelli	BER-L-4778-24	Cohen Placitella & Roth, PC
41	McCabe, Kathy Lynn and Ronald	BER-L-000080-23	Bailey & Glasser, LLP; Cohen Placitella & Roth, PC
42	McCallum, Angela	BER-L-1194-25	Schroeder Law Office, PLLC
43	McDaniel, Christy	BER-L-005653-23	Javerbaum Wurgalt Hicks Kahn Wikstrom & Sinins, PC Flint Cooper?
44	Mead, Judith	BER-L-3816-24	Cohen Placitella & Roth, PC
45	Mizsak, Deana	BER-L-6044-23	Stark & Stark
46	Mosley, Gwendolyn (KY)	BER-L-000739-23	Schroeder Law Office, PLLC
47	Nash, Angel	BER-L-1491-24	Cohen Placitella & Roth, PC
48	Nicholes, Susan	BER-L-000572-24	Schroeder Law Office, PLLC Karen Schroder that this was a Bossier case when served the SFAs
49	O'Brien, Janet	BER-L-7280-24	Stark & Stark
50	Ohana, Solange	BER-L-006513-22	Motley Rice New Jersey, LLC; Wagstaff Law Firm
51	Ortega-Melendez, Tiffany	BER-L-1275-24	Cohen Placitella & Roth, PC
52	Parker, Davina	BER-L-1719-24	Schroeder Law Office, PLLC
53	Pena, Emilys	BER-L-414-25	Schroeder Law Office, PLLC



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54	Pons, Elizabeth	BER-L-000467-23	Bailey & Glasser, LLP; Cohen Placitella & Roth, PC
55	Prudente, Jennifer and Michael	BER-L-014083-14	Cohen, Placitella & Roth; Motley Rice (Green, Vincent L.) Notice of Appearance (NOA) of Messa, Joseph Jr. Filed 9/26/24; Messa & Associates
56	Quinn, Erin	BER-L-1303-24	Anapol Weiss
57	Rasmussen, Patricia	BER-L-1803-24	Schroeder Law Office, PLLC
58	Rathert, Stephane	BER-L-3276-24	Schroeder Law Office, PLLC
59	Richmond, Summer and Valladares, Melvin	BER-L-3274-24	Anapol Weiss
60	Rideaux, Jacqueline	BER-L-6359-24	Schroeder Law Office, PLLC
61	Rudo, Melissa	BER-L-2475-24	Schroeder Law Office, PLLC
62	Salazar, Sharhonda and Joshua	BER-L-1095-24	Anapol Weiss
63	Sands, Clara	BER-L-1448-24	Anapol Weiss
64	Schultz, Lori	BER-L-004310-23	Bailey & Glasser, LLP; Cohen Placitella & Roth, PC
65	Schwasinger, Jacquelyn	BER-L-4780-24	Cohen Placitella & Roth, PC
66	Segura, Roselyn (aka Garcia, Roselyn)	BER-L-003538-23	Schroeder Law Office, PLLC
67	Shirrel, Cynthia	BER-L-6343-23	Stark & Stark
68	Shoop, Kimberly and Brian	BER-L-3377-24	Anapol Weiss
69	Sierra, Sharlene	BER-L-2960-20	Schroeder Law Office
70	Sotomayor, Mary Ann and Alex	BER-L-005107-23	Motley Rice New Jersey, LLC Wagstaff Law Firm
71	Spliedt, Corinne	BER-L-000741-23	Schroeder Law Office, PLLC
72	Steiner, Katherine	BER-L-5888-23	Stark & Stark
73	Stiers, Ralinda	BER-L-015352-14	Bernstein Liebhard LLP; Law Offices of Jan Meyer & Associates, PC; Herman Gerel, LLP
74	Stoffregen, Vivian	BER-L-6410-23	Stark & Stark
75	Stone, Lisa	BER-L-005764-23	Cohen Placitella & Roth, PC
76	Trahan, Kimberly and Daniel	BER-L-001907-23	Motley Rice New Jersey, LLC; Wagstaff Law Firm
77	Trainer, Linda and Mark	BER-L-014104-14	Cohen Placitella; Roth, PC; Motley Rice, LLC
78	Trice, Tasha	BER-L-6162-23	Stark & Stark

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79	Tucker, Dana	BER-L-728-25	Schroeder Law Office, PLLC
80	Tucker, Evelyn	BER-L-002234-23	Bossier & Associates; Schroeder Law Office, PLLC
81	Twomey, Kimberly	BER-L-006943-23	Schroeder Law Office, PLLC
82	Usitalo, Gretchen	BER-L-005844-23	Schroeder Law Office, PLLC
83	Viramontes, Leonor	BER-L-3460-24	Schroeder Law Office, PLLC
84	Walker, April	BER-L-4835-24	Schroeder Law Office, PLLC
85	Yoder, Tracy and Allan	BER-L-002163-23	Anapol Weiss