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**GREGG A. PADOVANO, J.S.C.**

BARBARA FLOWERS, Deceased, and  
WILLIAM R. FLOWERS,

Plaintiffs,

vs.

ETHICON, INC., ET AL.,

Defendants.

SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY  
LAW DIVISION – BERGEN COUNTY  
DOCKET NO. BER-L-013659-14 (MCL)

MASTER CASE NO. BER-L-011575-14

CIVIL ACTION

In Re Pelvic Mesh/Gynecare Litigation  
Case No. 291 CT

**ORDER OF DISMISSAL WITH  
PREJUDICE**

THIS MATTER having been brought before the Court by Defendants Ethicon, Inc. and Johnson & Johnson, through its counsel Riker Danzig LLP, seeking an Order pursuant to the Court's Order entered in this matter on July 31, 2024, Granting Defendants' Motion for Court Order Requiring Substitution of Proper Party Under NJ. Rule 4:34-1(b) (hereinafter the "Order to Substitute", attached hereto as Exhibit A) and the Court's subsequent Order Dismissing the matter Without Prejudice on February 19, 2025, (hereinafter the "Order of Dismissal Without Prejudice", attached hereto as Exhibit B); and

WHEREAS it has been well longer than 60 days from the date of the Order of Dismissal Without Prejudice,

IT IS on this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of APRIL, 2025, ORDERED that this  
matter is dismissed with prejudice.



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Hon. Gregg A. Padovano, J.S.C.

# Exhibit A

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**ORDER GRANTING DEFENDANTS'  
MOTION FOR COURT ORDER  
REQUIRING SUBSTITUTION OF  
PROPER PARTY UNDER  
NJ RULE 4:34-1(b)**

THIS MATTER having been brought before the Court by Defendants Ethicon, Inc. and Johnson & Johnson, through its counsel Riker Danzig LLP, seeking an Order Requiring Substitution of Proper Party Under N.J. Rule 4:34-1(b); and the Court having considered the Motion, any opposition filed with respect to the Motion, and any arguments of counsel; and for good cause shown,

IT IS on this 31<sup>st</sup> day of JULY, 2024, ORDERED that  
Defendants' Motion for Court Order Requiring Substitution of Proper Party Under N.J.

Rule 4:34-1(b) is hereby granted and a Motion to Substitute shall be filed within 60 days of the date of this order.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED THAT if no motion to substitute is filed within 60 days, the Court ~~will~~ <sup>may</sup> enter an Order to Dismiss without prejudice under Rule 4:23-5(a)(1), which may be entered upon request of Defendants without further notice or motion practice.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED THAT if the dismissal order is not vacated within 60 days of its entry, the Court ~~will~~ <sup>may</sup> automatically, and without further application by Defendants, convert to a dismissal with prejudice under Rule 4:23-5(a)(2).

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. Gregg A. Padovano, J.S.C.

☐ Opposed

☐ Unopposed

**UNOPPOSED**

The Court's findings of fact and conclusions of law were placed on the record on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of June, 2024 and were:

☐ Written

☐ Oral

# **Exhibit B**

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WHEREAS it has been well longer than 60 days from the date of the Order to Substitute, and

WHEREAS no motion has been filed to substitute a proper party, and for good cause shown,

IT IS on this 1<sup>st</sup> day of FEBRUARY, 2025, ORDERED that this  
matter is dismissed without prejudice.

  
Hon. Gregg A. Padovano, J.S.C.

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