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HOPE PAGANO and STEVEN PAGANO

Plaintiffs,

vs.

ETHICON, INC., et al.,

Defendants.

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SEGG A. PADOVANO, J.S.C.

SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY  
LAW DIVISION - BERGEN COUNTY

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CIVIL ACTION

In re Pelvic Mesh/Gynecare  
Litigation  
Case No. 291

**ORDER REGARDING COMPLETION OF  
PLAINTIFFS' DEPOSITIONS**

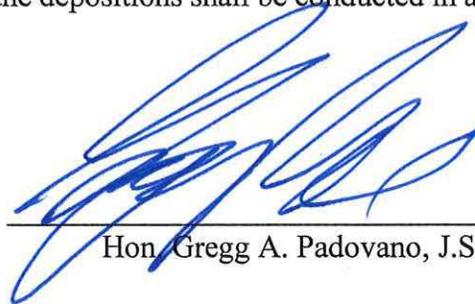
**THIS MATTER HAVING** been brought before the court by Defendants Ethicon, Inc. and Johnson & Johnson (“Defendants”), via their Counsel, Riker Danzig LLP, seeking an order regarding the completion of Plaintiffs’ depositions in light of the Order granting Plaintiffs’ motion for an extension of the close of discovery entered on April 26, 2024, for the limited purpose of deposing specifically identified fact witness treating physicians, and in light of the telephonic conference with the Court and Counsel held on April 26, 2024, regarding the issue of live attendance at mediation on May 3, 2024 and the need for the completion of the Plaintiffs’ depositions, and

WHEREAS Defendants issued a Notice for the Continuation of Plaintiff Hope Pagano's deposition to resume at 9:00 a.m. on May 6, 2024, at the Offices of Riker Danzig LLP in Morristown, New Jersey, and

WHEREAS Plaintiff Hope Pagano is physically present in New Jersey on this date for the mediation, and the Court having considered the matter, and for good cause shown;

IT IS on this 3rd, day of MAY, 2024, **HEREBY ORDERED** that, Plaintiff Hope Pagano's deposition shall resume at 9:00 a.m. on May 6, 2024, at in the fourth floor conference room of Judge Padovano's Courtroom 359, at the Courthouse (Rotunda Building) at 10 Main Street, Hackensack, New Jersey 07601, to be immediately followed by the deposition of Plaintiff Steven Pagano via video conference, such that both Plaintiffs' depositions will be completed on Monday May 6, 2024.

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that the depositions shall be conducted in accordance with the protocols and procedures of this MCL.



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

**THE UNDERSIGNED CONSENT TO THE FORM AND ENTRY OF THIS ORDER:**

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Dated: May 3, 2024

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<sup>1</sup> 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...”