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MCL CASE NO. 630
MASTER DOCKET NO: ATL-L-794-19

SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY
LAW DIVISION: ATLANTIC COUNTY

DOCKET NO. ATL-L-1296-19 MCL

IN RE PROCEED MESH LITIGATION :
(Proceed® Surgical Mesh and Proceed® Ventral :
Patch Hernia Mesh) :
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LLOYD FRANCIS, :
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Plaintiff, :
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v. :
 :
JOHNSON & JOHNSON and ETHICON, INC., :
 :
Defendants. :

Civil Action

**ORDER GRANTING
MICHAEL B. HEWES, ESQ.,
ADMISSION PRO HAC VICE**

THIS MATTER having been brought before the Court by McCarter & English, LLP, attorneys for Defendants Johnson & Johnson and Ethicon, Inc. in the above captioned litigation, to permit Michael B. Hewes, Esquire, an attorney admitted to the practice of law in the State Court of Mississippi, The United States District Courts for the Northern and Southern Districts of Mississippi, and the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit; to participate *pro hac vice* with other Counsel for Defendants in all phases

of the case and trial, and it appearing that Michael B. Hewes, Esquire is a licensed attorney in good standing in the State of Mississippi, and it further appearing that Defendants have requested Michael B. Hewes, Esquire to represent them in this matter, and the within Order having been submitted under the 5-Day Rule, and the Court having received no objections to the within Order and with good cause having been shown:

IT IS on this 22nd day of December, 2021;

ORDERED that Michael B. Hewes, Esq., a member in good standing of the bar of the Supreme Court of the State of Mississippi, The United States District Courts for the Northern and Southern Districts of Mississippi, and the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit, be permitted to appear *pro hac vice* in the above-captioned matter and in the matters listed on the attached Schedule A pursuant to R. 1:21-2;

FURTHER ORDERED that Michael B. Hewes, Esquire shall abide by the New Jersey Laws of Civil Procedure, including all disciplinary rules issued by the Supreme Court of New Jersey and it is

FURTHER ORDERED that by reason of his admission, Michael B. Hewes, Esquire consents to the appointment of the Clerk of the Supreme Court of New Jersey as his agent upon whom service of process may be made by all actions which may hereinafter be brought against him or his firm arising from their participation in this matter, and it is

FURTHER ORDERED that Michael B. Hewes, Esquire shall notify this Court immediately if any matter arises which affects his standing before the Bar of the State of Mississippi, or any other jurisdiction and it is

FURTHER ORDERED that all pleadings, briefs and other papers filed on behalf of Defendants Johnson & Johnson and Ethicon, Inc. shall also be signed by a member of the firm of McCarter & English, LLP and that firm shall be responsible for such papers and the conduct of this case and the attorney admitted herein; and it is

FURTHER ORDERED that Michael B. Hewes, Esquire pay the required annual fees to the New Jersey Lawyers' Fund for Client Protection in accordance with New Jersey Rule 1:28-2, the Oversight

Committee in accordance with Rule 1:20-1 (b), and the Lawyers' Assistance Program in accordance with Rule 1:28B-1 (e) within ten 10 days of this Order and shall submit an affidavit of compliance; and it is

FURTHER ORDERED that no delay or adjournment in discovery, motions, trial or any other proceeding shall be requested by reason of Michael B. Hewes, Esquire's inability to appear; and it is

FURTHER ORDERED that automatic termination of *pro hac vice* admission shall occur for failure to make the required annual payment of the Annual Fee and the annual payment to the Lawyers' Assistance Fund and the New Jersey Lawyers' Fund for Client Protection. Proof of such payment, after filing proof of the initial payment, shall be made no later than February 1st of each year; and it is

FURTHER ORDERED that non-compliance with any of these requirements shall constitute ground for removal; and it is

FURTHER ORDERED that a signed copy of this Order be served upon all counsel within seven (7) days of the date hereof.



HON. JOHN C. PORTO, J.S.C.

Opposed

Unopposed