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SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY LAW DIVISION: ATLANTIC COUNTY MASTER DOCKET NO. ATL-L-173-20

MCL CASE NO. 633

Civil Action

IN RE PROLENE HERNIA SYSTEM MESH LITIGATION

ORDER REGARDING PRO HAC VICE ADMISSION AND APPEARANCES

This matter having been opened to the Court by Wilentz, Goldman & Spitzer, P.A., Liaison Counsel for Plaintiffs, and Riker Danzig Scherer Hyland & Perretti, LLP and McCarter & English, LLP, Co-Liaison Counsel for Defendants, formalizing and expounding on the Court's ruling on the record at the February 18, 2021 Case Management Conference regarding acceptable practice and scope of *pro hac vice* admissions, and the Court having considered the Order; and good cause having been shown;

It is on this 31 st day of MArch, 2021,

ORDERED that attorneys not holding a plenary New Jersey license to practice law may, through their New Jersey counsel, seek to be admitted *pro hac vice* under the Master Docket Number for this Multi-County Litigation ("MCL") by submitting an order through New Jersey counsel under the 5 day Rule. An order granting admission under the Master MCL docket number shall constitute permission to make appearances at depositions, court conferences, or other proceedings in any case that is a member of this MCL, without the need for filing a separate motion for *pro hac vice* admission, or the entry of a separate order, in the individual case docket.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that no formal appearances need or should be filed on the electronic docket by counsel admitted pro hac vice in any individual case that is a member of this MDL, or in the master MCL docket. Appearances as required in any individual case may be made on the record at a specific deposition, court conference, hearing or trial, with the consent of counsel of record to that individual case.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the entry of a pro hac vice admission order under the Global MCL docket by any counsel for Plaintiff does not create an attorney-client relationship with any party to any individual case that is a member of this MCL.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that nothing in this order precludes the filing of a motion for pro hac vice admission, or order under the 5-day Rule as contemplated by CMO #4 entered on March 5, 2020, in any individual case that is a member of this MCL.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that nothing in this order alters any prior or protocols orders governing the manner and timing by which the Court will accept and consider pro hac vice applications, including expressly that the Court may consider in lieu of a formal motion an order submitted under the 5-day Rule.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that nothing in this order alters or changes the obligations of pro hac vice counsel to abide by and adhere to the obligations established by N.J. Ct. R. 1:21-2, CMO #4 entered on March 5, 2020.

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

¹ By way of reminder to the parties, counsel admitted pro hac vice may not directly file documents; only New Jersey counsel of record are permitted and able to file documents on the docket.