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HON. BRUCE J. KAPLAN, J.S.C.

| DENISE SMITH, | : SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY LAW DIVISION - MIDDLESEX COUNTY |
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| Plaintiff, v. | : DOCKET NO. MID-L-004066-18 |
| SANOFI U.S. SERVICES INC., | CASE TYPE: MCL NO. 628 |
| formerly known as SANOFI-AVENTIS U.S. INC.; SANOFI-AVENTIS U.S. LLC, | : MASTER DOCKET NO. : MID-L-4998-18-CM |
| separately and doing business as WINTHROP U.S.; and JOHN DOE DRUG COMPANY | : CIVIL ACTION : IN RE TAXOTERE LITIGATION |
| DEFENDANTS #1-10 , <i>Defendants</i> . | ORDER WITHDRAWING ATTORNEY TAYLOR S. HARDENSTEIN, ESQ. AS COUNSEL |

WHEREAS, Robins Kaplan LLP, counsel for the Plaintiff Denise Smith ("Plaintiff") in

the above-captioned action, upon notice to all interested parties, have moved before this Court for the withdrawal of Taylor S. Hardenstein, Esq.; the Court having read and considered all of the papers and submissions in support thereof; and further good cause shown,

IT IS on this 6th day of March 2024, hereby:

ORDERED that Taylor S. Hardenstein, Esq. is hereby withdrawn as counsel for Plaintiff,

and it is further

ORDERED that the Motion is granted and Taylor S. Hardenstein, Esq., no longer has pro

hac vice status in this matter; and it is further

ORDERED that counsel for Denise Smith, Robins Kaplan, shall forward a copy of this

Order to the Treasurer of the New Jersey Fund for Client Protection; and

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the posting of this Order on eCourts shall constitute service upon all counsel of record. Pursuant to <u>R.</u> 1:5-1(a), the movant shall serve a copy of this Order upon all parties not served electronically within seven (7) days of receipt of this Order.

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Having reviewed the within motion, this Court finds it to be meritorious on its face and is unopposed. Pursuant to <u>R</u>. 1:6-2, it therefore will be granted essentially for the reasons set forth in the moving papers.