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In re VIOXX® LITIGATION

SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY
LAW DIVISION: ATLANTIC COUNTY
DOCKET NO. 619

Civil Action

**ORDER ADMITTING ALLISON
SGROI, ESQ., PRO HAC VICE**

WHEREAS, defendant Merck & Co., Inc. by and through its attorneys Dechert LLP, upon notice to all interested parties, have moved before this Court for admission pro hac vice of Allison Sgroi, Esq., the Court having considered the papers submitted in support thereof; and the Court having found that Allison Sgroi, Esq. is a member in good standing before the bar of the highest court of the state where he is domiciled and principally practices law; and for other good cause shown.

IT IS on this 2nd day of Aug 2005, hereby

ORDERED that the motion is granted, and Allison Sgroi, Esq. is admitted to practice pro hac vice before this Court, pursuant to R. 1:21-2, for all purposes and in all proceedings connected with all cases subject to the Supreme Court's May 20, 2003 Order in the same manner

as an attorney who is admitted to practice in this State and is domiciled and maintains an office for the practice of law in the State of New Jersey, provided that each shall:

1. abide by the Rules of the Court for the State of New Jersey, including all disciplinary rules;
2. consent to the appointment of the Clerk of the Supreme Court as an agent upon whom service of process may be made for all actions against him or his firm that may arise out of his participation in this matter;
3. notify the Court immediately of any matter affecting his standing at the bar of any Court; and
4. have all pleadings, briefs and other papers filed in this Court signed by an attorney-at-law of this Court employed by the law firm of Dechert LLP, who shall be responsible for them, for the conduct of the cause and of Allison Sgroi, Esq., it is further

ORDERED that Allison Sgroi, Esq. shall make payment of fees as provided in the New Jersey Rules of Court, R. 1:20-1(b), 1:28-2 and 1:28B-1(e) and it is further

ORDERED that the Clerk of this Court shall forward a copy of this Order to the Treasurer of the New Jersey Fund for Client Protection, and it is further

ORDERED that a copy of this Order shall be served by attorneys for defendants upon plaintiff within seven (7) days of their receipt thereof.

_____ opposed

_____ unopposed



CAROL E. HIGBEE, J.S.C. , J.S.C.