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Plaintiffs,

VS.

MERCK SHARP & DOHME, CORP., **SMITHKLINE BEECHAM** CORPORATION d/b/a GLAXOSMITHKLINE, AND ROCHE LABORATORIES, INC.,

Defendants.

JAN YOKOTA and MELVIN H. YOKOTA. SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY LAW DIVISION: MIDDLESEX COUNTY

CIVIL ACTION

FOSAMAX LITIGATION

DOCKET NO.: MID-L-8427-14

ORDER GRANTING PLAINTIFF'S MOTION FOR LEAVE TO FILE AN AMENDED COMPLAINT

THIS MATTER coming on to be heard on the Motion of Plaintiffs for Leave to File an Amended Complaint, and the Court having considered the moving papers and for good cause shown,

IT IS on this 22nd day of January, 2025,

ORDERED that Plaintiffs' Motion for Leave to file an Amended Complaint to substitute Melvin H. Yokota, Personal Representative of the Estate of Jan Yokota, as Plaintiff is hereby **GRANTED**; and it is further

ORDERED that Plaintiffs shall have fourteen (14) days from the date of this Order within which to file and serve the proposed Amended Complaint; and it is further

ORDERED that service of this Order shall be deemed effectuated upon all parties upon its upload to eCourts. Pursuant to Rule 1:5-1(a), movant shall serve a copy of this Order on all parties not served electronically within seven (7) days of the date of this Order.

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UNOPPOSED

Having reviewed the within motion, this Court finds it meritorious on its face and is unopposed. This Court is granting leave to amend the Complaint in accordance with \underline{R} . 4:9-1. Moreover, the Court is granting substitution of Plaintiff as permitted under \underline{R} . 4:34-1. Pursuant to \underline{R} . 1:6-2, this Motion will be granted essentially for the reasons set forth in the moving papers.