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GREGG A. PADOVANO, J.S.C.

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JANET SMITH,

Plaintiff,

vs.

ETHICON, INC., ETHICON WOMEN'S
HEALTH AND UROLOGY, a Division
of Ethicon, Inc., GYNECARE,
JOHNSON & JOHNSON, AND JOHN
DOES 1-20,

Defendants.

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: SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY
: LAW DIVISION – BERGEN COUNTY
: DOCKET NO. BER-L-14124-14

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: Civil Acton
: Gynecare Litigation, Case No. 291

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: **ORDER AUTHORIZING FLEMING,**
: **NOLEN & JEZ, LLP AND THE**
: **D'ONOFRIO FIRM LLC TO BE**
: **RELIEVED AS COUNSEL**

THIS MATTER being opened to the Court on February 12, 2024, by Fleming,
Nolen & Jez, LLP and The D'Onofrio Firm, LLC, attorneys for Plaintiff, to be relieved as
counsel, and the court having considered the matter and for good cause shown,

IT IS on this 15th day of March, 2024,

1. Fleming, Nolen & Jez, LLP and The D'Onofrio Firm, LLC are hereby relieved as counsel
for Plaintiffs subject to the additional provisions of this Order.

2. Counsel for Plaintiff shall serve a copy of this Order on Plaintiff at the last known address and upon counsel for Defendants, and shall submit via JEDS a Certification of such service within 10 days of the date of this Order. Plaintiff's last known address is:

Janet Smith
4000 George Buchanan Drive
La Vergne, TN 37086

3. Plaintiff shall have 40 days from the date of this Order to notify the Court in writing that she either has new counsel or intends to prosecute the case *pro se* (without an attorney).

The writing shall be addressed to:

The Honorable Gregg A. Padovano, J.S.C.
Superior Court of New Jersey
Bergen County Courthouse – 3rd Floor Rotunda
10 Main Street
Hackensack, NJ 07601

And the written notice must be received by the Court within the 40-day window period.

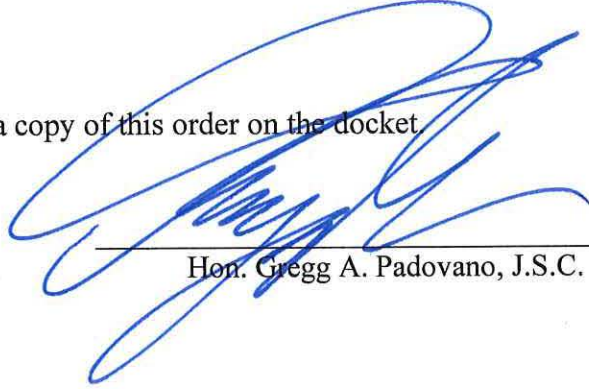
4. A copy of the notice shall also be sent to counsel for the Defendants at:

Kelly Crawford, Esq.
Riker Danzig, LLP
Headquarters Plaza
One Speedwell Avenue
Morristown, NJ 07960

5. If the Court does not receive the notice within the 40-day period the Complaint will be deemed dismissed without prejudice as to all defendants. Counsel for the Defendants may submit a proposed Order to that effect without further notice to the Plaintiff.

6. If Plaintiff's Complaint is dismissed without prejudice under the terms of this order, plaintiff may move to reinstate the complaint within 60 days from the date of the order dismissing without prejudice. If no motion to reinstate is filed by that date, then counsel for Defendant may submit an Order to convert the dismissal to a dismissal with prejudice, without further notice to the plaintiff.

The Court **DIRECTS** the Clerk to file a copy of this order on the docket.



Hon. Gregg A. Padovano, J.S.C.

CONSENTED TO AS TO FORM AND ENTRY:

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Dated: March 1, 2024