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ANNE CHALELA,

Plaintiff,

v.

MERCK & CO., INC., MERCK SHARP & DOHME CORP., "JOHN DOE," "JANE DOE," AND "XYZ CORP" (FICTITIOUS NAMES),

Defendants.

SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY LAW DIVISION: MIDDLESEX COUNTY

DOCKET NO.: MID-L-002426-23

DEFENDANTS' MOTION TO DISMISS THE CLAIMS OF PLAINTIFFS WITHOUT PREJUDICE

ORDER

THIS MATTER having been brought before the Court upon motion by Fox Rothschild LLP, attorney for Defendants, Merck & Co., Inc. and Merck Sharp & Dohme Corp. ("Merck"), for an Order to Dismiss the Plaintiffs' complaint without prejudice pursuant to <u>R.</u> 4:23-5(a)(2), for failure to provide a materially complete and certified Plaintiff Fact Sheet ("PFS"), and the Court having read and considered the papers submitted in this matter, and for the reasons set forth in the attached Statement of Reasons, and for good cause having been shown;

IT IS on this 6th day of October, 2023;

ORDERED that Defendants' Motion to Dismiss without prejudice **is hereby GRANTED**; and it is further

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UNOPPOSED

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