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IN RE PROLENE HERNIA SYSTEM MESH
LITIGATION

SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY
LAW DIVISION-ATLANTIC COUNTY

Case No. 633
Master Case No. ATL-L-173-20

CHRIS MICHAEL PAPPAS,

Plaintiff,

Docket No.: ATL-L-004003-20

v.

CIVIL ACTION

JOHNSON & JOHNSON and
ETHICON, INC.,

Defendants.

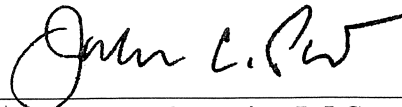
ORDER

THIS MATTER having been opened to the Court upon the motion of Wilentz, Goldman & Spitzer, a Professional Corporation, counsel for Plaintiff, and the Court having considered the moving papers, and for other good and just cause shown;

IT IS on this 4th day of April, 2022 **ORDERED** as follows:

1. Plaintiff's motion is **GRANTED**;
2. Plaintiff is hereby granted leave to file a First Amended Complaint, as set forth in the accompanying Certification, to substitute Christine Pappas Gronell, as Executrix of the Estate of Chris Michael Pappas, for Plaintiff Chris Michael Pappas, deceased;
3. All Defendants who have been served with the motion papers shall be deemed to have been served with the First Amended Complaint; and
4. Defendants' previously filed Answers and Cross-Claims shall be deemed responsive to the amended pleadings.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that service of this Order shall be effectuated upon all parties upon its upload to eCourts and 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.



JOHN C. PORTO, Acting P.J.Cv.

- Opposed
 Unopposed

IN RE PROLENE HERNIA SYSTEM MESH LITIGATION CHRIS MICHAEL PAPPAS, <div style="text-align: right;">Plaintiff,</div> <div style="text-align: center;">v.</div> JOHNSON & JOHNSON and ETHICON, INC., <div style="text-align: right;">Defendants.</div>	: SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY : LAW DIVISION : ATLANTIC COUNTY : : Case No. 633 : Master Case No. ATL-L-173-20 : : Docket No.: ATL-L-004003-20 : : <u>CIVIL ACTION</u> : : MEMORANDUM OF DECISION : :
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On March 15, 2022, Plaintiff, Chris Michael Pappas, filed a Notice of Motion for Leave to File an Amended Complaint to amend the name of the Plaintiff to substitute Christine Pappas Gronell, the executrix for the Estate of Chris Michael Pappas, in place of plaintiff Chris Michael Pappas, who passed away on August 7, 2021. The Motion is unopposed.

Having reviewed the above motion and certification, the Court finds it is meritorious on its face and in compliance with R. 4:9-1. Pursuant to R. 1:6-2(f) the motion is granted essentially for the reasons set forth in the moving papers.

All Defendants who have been served with the motion papers shall be deemed to have been served with the First Amended Complaint. No responsive pleadings by Defendants are required, and Defendants' Answers and cross-claims are deemed responsive to the First Amended Complaint.

An Order commensurate with this Court's decision is entered on eCourts.

Dated: April 4, 2022



 JOHN C. PORTO, Acting P.J.Cv.