THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT NORTHERN DISTRICT OF GEORGIA ATLANTA DIVISION

| IN RE: ETHICON PHYSIOMESH FLEXIBLE COMPOSITE HERNIA MESH PRODUCTS LIABILITY LITIGATION | MDL DOCKET NO. 2782 CIVIL ACTION NO. 1:17-md-02782-RWS | |
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PRACTICE AND PROCEDURE ORDER NO. 32

(Order Re: Mandatory Settlement Conference for Certain Unresolved Cases November 8, 2023)

Plaintiffs' Leadership reached an agreement to resolve certain pending actions in this MDL 2872 effective May 17, 2023. Since that time the Court has continued to monitor the progress of the resolution of cases including requesting and receiving information from MDL leadership regarding the settlement. The Court is aware that all cases identified on Exhibit A, attached hereto, received an offer to resolve their case on May 17, 2023. At the request of the Court, Plaintiffs' Leadership has informed the Court that based on Leadership's communications with counsel for

those cases listed on Exhibit A, that each case identified on Exhibit A remains unresolved despite efforts by Plaintiffs' Leadership, and plaintiff's counsel.

Based on the foregoing and in an effort to manage this docket, for any case on Exhibit A that has not delivered a completed release using the Archer release database established by Plaintiffs' Leadership, it is HEREBY ORDERED that the Court will conduct a mandatory settlement conference including plaintiff's counsel, the Special Master, a representative of Plaintiffs' Co-Lead Counsel, and a representative of Defendant's Lead Counsel on Wednesday, November 8, 2023, at 10:00 a.m. in the United States District Courthouse located at 121 Spring Street SE, Gainesville, Georgia 30501 and continuing from day to day thereafter.

It is further ORDERED that (1) individual plaintiffs whose cases are scheduled for a settlement conference shall appear in person for the settlement conference with counsel of record as reflected on the docket sheet for that plaintiff's case; and (2) any plaintiff who fails to comply with this Practice and Procedure Order may be subject to sanctions, including potential dismissal with prejudice.

The Court DIRECTS the Clerk to file a copy of this order in 1:17-md-02782 and in the cases identified on Exhibit A. It shall be the responsibility of the parties to review and abide by all pretrial orders previously entered by the Court. The orders may be accessed through the CM/ECF system or the court's website.

SO ORDERED, this _____ 8th__ day of _______, 2023

RICHARD W. STORY

United States District Judge

Exhibit A

| Civil Action Number | Plaintiff First Name | Plaintiff Last Name | Plaintiff Law Firm |
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| 1:22-cv-00744-RWS | Terry and the Estate of Ronnie | Gill | Provost Umphrey Law Firm, LLP |
| 1:21-cv-02885-RWS | Desiree | Costanza | Reich & Binstock, LLP |