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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

DISTRICT OF NEVADA

DOROTHY TALLEY VIALPANDO and
GABRIEL VIALPANDO

Plaintiffs,

v.

STRYKER CORPORATION and STRYKER
SALES CORPORATION,

Defendants.

Case No. 2:10-cv-0028-LDG-PAL

STIPULATED PROTECTIVE ORDER

Based on the stipulation appearing below, the Court finds that good cause exists for the entry of this Stipulated Protective Order (“Protective Order”) in that the preparation and trial of

1 this action(s) will require the discovery of documents, testimony, information, or things claimed
2 by one or more of the parties to contain confidential business or commercial information, and the
3 ends of justice will be served by entry of an order setting forth procedures for and rules
4 governing discovery, copying, use and return of documents, deposition transcripts, interrogatory
5 answers and other materials. Accordingly,

6 **IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED:**

7 1. All information which is or has been produced or discovered in the above titled
8 action and designated “**Confidential**” or “**Trade Secret**” shall be used by the receiving party
9 solely for the prosecution or defense of this action, and shall not be used by any such party, their
10 counsel of record or any other person to whom such material is disclosed for any other purpose,
11 unless the information is available to the general public without a breach of the terms of this
12 Protective Order, or is the subject of written agreement between parties counsel regarding its
13 use in relation to litigation.

14 2. As used in this Protective Order, the term “Confidential Discovery Material”
15 means documents and other information provided in the course of discovery of this action that
16 are designated as “**Confidential**” or “**Trade Secret**” pursuant to the terms of this Protective
17 Order, or that have been previously designated as such in other similar cases. The term
18 “documents” as used herein shall be interpreted broadly to encompass hard-copy and imaged
19 documents as well as electronically stored information (“ESI”) of any type. This Protective
20 Order is applicable to all forms of discovery, including but not limited to deposition testimony,
21 answers to interrogatories, documents produced in response to requests for production,
22 responses to request for disclosure, responses to requests for admission, medical records, and
23 any documents recorded on computer disks. As used herein, a “party” or the “parties” means a
24 person/entity or persons/entities subject to this Protective Order.

25 3. Any party who receives any Confidential Discovery Material in the course of
27 discovery in this action shall not disclose such Confidential Discovery Material to anyone else
28 except as expressly permitted by this Protective Order.

1 4. Documents or other discovery material may be designated as “**Confidential**” or
2 “**Trade Secret**” only to the extent that it consists of or includes trade secret or confidential
3 research, development, competitive, proprietary or commercial information, including, but not
4 limited to, financial information, information relating to ownership or control of any non-public
5 company, and any information protected from disclosure by any privacy or other law or
6 governmental regulation, as well as any other type of information given confidential status by
7 the Court. Any failure to designate a document “**Trade Secret**” shall not waive trade secret for
8 any document otherwise designated as “**Confidential**” pursuant to this Protective Order, and
9 shall not waive or preclude any future “**Trade Secret**” designation.

10 5. Confidential information includes information that would identify patients and
11 persons (excluding Plaintiff(s)) associated with adverse events involving human drugs, medical
12 devices, and research subjects. *See* 21 C.F.R. § 314.430 and 21 C.F.R. § 20.63. Defendants
13 shall not be compelled to disclose this identifying information and may redact this identifying
14 information from discovery material before production, provided, however, that such defendant
15 shall maintain an un-redacted copy of such discovery material for any further review by the
16 Court.

17 6. The Producing Party may designate the document as Confidential Discovery
18 Material by stamping or otherwise clearly marking the document as “**Confidential**” or “**Trade**
19 **Secret**” in such a manner that will not interfere with legibility or audibility.

20 7. To the extent that Confidential Discovery Material stored or recorded in the form
21 of electronic or magnetic media (including information, files, databases or programs stored on
22 any digital or analog machine-readable device, computers, Internet sites, discs, networks, or
23 tapes (“Electronic Discovery Material”) is produced in such form, the party producing such
24 Electronic Discovery Material may designate it as confidential by cover letter referring
25 generally to the Electronic Discovery Material, and/or by designation in the accompanying load
26 file. Whenever a party to whom confidential Electronic Discovery Material is produced reduces
27 the confidential Electronic Discovery Material to hardcopy or image form, that party shall mark
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1 each page of the hardcopy or image form with the “**Confidential**” and/or “**Trade Secret**”
2 designation.

3 8. With respect to deposition transcripts and exhibits, a party may indicate on the
4 record that a question calls for Confidential Discovery Material, in which case the transcript of
5 the question and answer shall be bound in a separate volume and marked “**Confidential**” and/or
6 “**Trade Secret**” by the court reporter. Alternatively, the party may designate information
7 disclosed at the deposition as confidential by notifying the other party(ies) in writing within
8 thirty (30) days of receipt of the transcript of the specific pages and lines which are to be
9 designated confidential. During such thirty (30) day period, the entire transcript shall be treated
10 as Confidential Discovery Material. For convenience, the parties may agree that entire
11 deposition transcripts shall be treated as Confidential Discovery Material.

12 9. Third parties to this action may elect to avail themselves of, and agree to be
13 bound by, the terms and conditions of this Protective Order as if they had stipulated to it at the
14 time of entry. Such third parties must state their agreement to be bound by this Protective Order
15 in writing.

16 10. Documents and information produced by a third party shall be treated as
17 Confidential Discovery Material for thirty (30) calendar days after production, in order to allow
18 the parties to review and assess the documents and information for confidentiality and
19 designation.

20 11. If at any time prior to the trial of this action a party realizes that previously
21 undesignated documents or other material should be designated as Confidential Discovery
22 Material, the party may so designate by advising all other parties in writing. The designated
23 documents or material will thereafter be treated as Confidential Discovery Material pursuant to
24 this Protective Order. Upon receipt of such designation in writing, each party shall take
25 reasonable and appropriate action to notify any and all recipients of such Confidential
27 Discovery Material about the protected status of that Material and shall retrieve the newly

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1 designated Confidential Discovery Material from any person who is not permitted by this
2 Protective Order to have such material.

3 12. Inadvertent production or other disclosure of documents subject to work-product
4 immunity, the attorney-client privilege, or other legal privilege that protects information from
5 discovery shall not constitute a waiver of the immunity, privilege, or other protection, provided
6 that the Producing Party notifies the Receiving Party in writing when it becomes aware of such
7 inadvertent production. Upon notification, the receiving party shall immediately, at the
8 producing parties option, return or destroy the inadvertently-produced materials and all copies,
9 and shall delete the material and all copies from any litigation-support or other database. The
10 recipient shall destroy notes and work product reflecting the contents of such materials. No
11 further use or disclosure shall be made of the inadvertently-produced materials, and the
12 recipient shall take all reasonable and appropriate steps to retrieve the materials, and all copies,
13 from any person to whom the recipient has provided them.

14 13. Any party or individual having inadvertently received privileged or protected
15 information need not wait for notice from the Producing Party before complying with the above
16 and is expected to comply with the requirements of this paragraph as soon as it is known or
17 should be known that the document and information contained therein is privileged and/or
18 protected. If the party returning such material does not agree with the privilege designation, the
19 party returning such material must write a letter to the Producing Party, setting forth the reason
20 for believing that the material in question is not privileged. If the issue cannot be resolved
21 between the parties, the Producing Party shall move the Court, within ten (10) days of the
22 completion of such meet-and-confer efforts, to rule on the material's status and shall produce a
23 copy of the document to the Court for in camera inspection. Any inadvertent disclosure of
24 privileged information shall not operate as a waiver in any other federal or state proceeding, and
25 the parties' agreement regarding the effect of inadvertent disclosure of privileged information
26 shall be binding on non-parties.

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1 14. Any party producing documents in this action must simultaneously produce a
2 privilege log, if any document has been withheld from production based on the assertion of
3 privilege. The privilege log will identify every document withheld on the basis of privilege by:
4 (1) author; (2) date; (3) recipient(s); (4) type of document; and (5) privilege asserted. If only a
5 portion of the document is privileged, the Producing Party will only withhold that portion which
6 is privileged, by redaction if possible. A log must be produced with each production and each
7 Producing Party must produce an updated privilege log within a reasonable time of the
8 determination that additional documents need to be added.

9 15. No party other than the party designating material as Confidential Discovery
10 Material shall disclose such material to any other person, except as follows:

- 11 (a) Counsel for the parties in the specific action in which the documents are to be
12 produced, including any paralegal, clerical, and other staff employed by counsel
13 for work on this action;
- 14 (b) With respect to a specific document, the document's author, addressees, and any
15 other person shown on the face of the document as having received a copy;
- 16 (c) Any witness who counsel for a party in good faith believes may be called to
17 testify at trial or deposition in this action, provided such person has first executed
18 a non-disclosure agreement in the form attached to this Protective Order as
19 **Exhibit A**. However, if the witness is currently an employee, officer, director,
20 contractor, subcontractor or consultant of an entity that is presently engaged in
21 the research, development, manufacture, or sale of any product that competes
22 with, or is similar to, any product(s) addressed in documents produced as
23 Confidential Discovery Material, the party seeking the testimony must also first
24 receive written consent of counsel for the party disclosing the Confidential
25 Discovery Material, or obtain an order from the Court permitting the disclosure
26 to said witness;

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- 1 (d) Any person retained by a party to serve as an expert consultant or witness or
2 otherwise provide specialized advice to counsel in connection with this action,
3 provided such person has first executed a non-disclosure agreement in the form
4 attached;
- 5 (e) Insurers and indemnitors to the extent reasonably necessary to defend and
6 evaluate the claims;
- 7 (f) Official court reporters; and
- 8 (g) The court, mediators, and support personnel.

9 16. Prior to any disclosure of Confidential Discovery Material to any person referred
10 to in subparagraphs (c) or (d) of paragraph 14 above, the person shall be provided by counsel
11 with a copy of this Protective Order and shall sign a non-disclosure agreement in the form
12 attached as **Exhibit A** hereto. The non-disclosure agreement will state that the person has read
13 this Protective Order and agrees to be bound by its terms. All non-disclosure agreements will
14 be maintained throughout this action by the attorneys obtaining them. At the conclusion of this
15 action, upon a showing of good cause and necessity, any party may seek an order requiring
16 production of non-disclosure agreements, but nothing in this Order is intended to modify or
17 shift any burden of proof or privilege relating to the motion or authorize discovery of experts or
18 their identities.

19 17. Any party wishing to file any, shall file a motion to have the Confidential
20 Discovery Material filed under seal and shall otherwise comply with applicable Federal Rules
21 of Civil Procedure, the Local Rules, and any other rules, procedures, or Orders of this Court.
22 When filing the motion, the filing party will cite to the Court the grounds for filing the
23 Confidential Discovery Material under seal. The parties agree that any motion will be narrow in
24 scope to ensure that the only information withheld from public inspection is information
25 expressly authorized by law. Whenever possible, disputes regarding confidentiality
26 designations should be resolved before Confidential Discovery Material or any document
27 containing or referencing it is filed with the Court. For any item of Confidential Discovery
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1 Material for which a designation dispute has not been resolved, that item and any document
2 containing or referencing it will be filed under seal (at least provisionally).

3 18. Any attorney wishing to file or submit to the Court any Confidential Discovery
4 Material, or any affidavits, memoranda, exhibits or other papers containing or making reference
5 to Confidential Discovery Material, then such attorney shall first consider whether redacting
6 portions of such materials that contain or refer to confidential information is practical and will
7 protect the Confidential Discovery Material while leaving other non-confidential information
8 meaningful, as required by *Foltz v. State Farm Mut. Auto. Ins. Co.*, 331 F.3d 1122 (9th Cir.
9 2003). If so, redacted versions of such material shall be filed with the court according to the
10 standard filing procedures.

11 19. Any party objecting to the designation of any material as Confidential Discovery
12 Material, or requesting further limits on disclosure (such as “attorney eyes only”), may at any
13 time prior to the trial of this action serve upon counsel for interested parties a written notice
14 stating with particularity the reasons for the objection. If agreement cannot promptly be reached,
15 the dispute will be submitted to the Court pursuant to the Court’s ordinary procedures for
16 handling discovery disputes. Until a dispute is resolved, the material designated as
17 “Confidential” or “Trade Secret” shall remain and be treated as Confidential Discovery Material
18 pursuant to this Protective Order.

19 20. Each person who has access to Confidential Discovery Material shall take all
20 necessary precautions to prevent the unauthorized or inadvertent disclosure of such material.

21 21. This Protective Order shall survive the termination of this action. Within 30
22 days of the final disposition of this action, which includes the conclusion of any and all appeals,
23 all Confidential Discovery Material, and all copies (including those in electronic format), shall
24 promptly be returned to the Producing Party or, with the permission of the Producing Party, be
25 destroyed.

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1 22. The Court shall retain jurisdiction over all persons and parties subject to this
2 Protective Order to the extent necessary to modify this Protective Order, enforce its obligations,
3 or to impose sanctions for any violation.

4 23. Nothing in this Protective Order shall prevent any party from seeking further or
5 additional protection, or removing protection, for Confidential Discovery Material.

6 24. Additional parties may be added to this action as allowed under the applicable
7 Rules of Civil Procedure. Before receiving Confidential Discovery Material, a new party must
8 agree to be bound by the terms of this Protective Order as if the party had stipulated to it at the
9 time of entry. No newly added party shall have access to Confidential Discovery Material until
10 the party is subject to the terms of this Protective Order.

11 25. Any discovery material designated as “**Trade Secret**” shall be treated in all
12 respects as Confidential Discovery Material. With respect to the manufacturers and distributors
13 of the pain pumps, the trade secret discovery material shall only be produced to counsel
14 (including in-house counsel), as defined in Paragraph 14(a), and not any other employees of
15 those parties. The purpose of this paragraph is to prevent manufacturers and distributors of pain
16 pumps from having access to the other’s trade secret discovery material, except as needed by
17 counsel defending this action.

18 26. Nothing in this Protective Order shall prevent the Receiving Party from using
19 Confidential Discovery Material in any case in which the Producing Party is a defendant and in
20 which a Protective has been entered, by a Court of competent jurisdiction, and is applicable to
21 said Confidential Discovery Material. Furthermore, the Receiving Party may share, discuss,
22 and exchange such Confidential Discovery Material with counsel involved in active litigation
23 against the Producing Party, as long as a protective order with comparable terms of protection
24 for such Confidential Discovery Material has been entered in that other litigation. However,
25 before the Receiving Party may share, discuss, and exchange such Confidential Discovery
26 Material with such counsel, notice shall be provided to counsel for that Producing Party,
27 identifying the Confidential Discovery Material to be shared or exchanged, the counsel with
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1 whom that exchange is to be made, and the litigation in which that other counsel is involved.
2 The Producing Party shall then be permitted 10 days from the date of that notice to object to
3 said exchange of material or their content. If such objection is timely made, the Receiving Party
4 may not share, discuss, and exchange such Confidential Discovery Material.

5 27. The provisions of this Protective Order shall not affect, nor does this Order limit,
6 the use or admissibility of Confidential Discovery Material (or references to that material) as
7 evidence at trial, or during any arbitration, mediation, hearing, or similar proceeding in this
8 action or as part of the record on appeal, provided that either party may seek an appropriate
9 Order of the Court to protect such Confidential Discovery Material, including provisions for use
10 of such materials under seal. The provisions of this Order shall not prejudice the rights of the
11 parties with respect to the use or protection of Confidential Discovery Material at trial or other
12 such addressed proceedings. Absent court order to the contrary, the use or production of
13 Confidential Discovery Material at trial by any party, under seal or under such other terms as
14 required by the Court to maintain the confidentiality of that material, does not waive the
15 protection of such Confidential Discovery Material required under this Protective Order in
16 subsequent proceedings or in any other case.

17 28. This Protective Order is intended to comport with the requirements of the Health
18 Insurance Portability and Accountability Act ("HIPAA"). Any identifiable health information
19 shall be automatically deemed "**Confidential**" and shall be treated as Confidential Discovery
20 Material under the terms of this Order, without being stamped as "**Confidential**" by the
21 producing party. Nothing in this Order shall prevent a party from objecting that documents do
22 not contain individually identifiable health information, or are not otherwise subject to the
23 requirements of HIPAA.

24 29. Nothing in this Protective Order shall preclude a party from using or disclosing
25 its own Confidential Discovery Material in any manner it sees fit, without the prior consent of
26 any other party and without waiving its "**Confidential**" or "**Trade Secret**" status under this
27 Protective Order.
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1 30. Any party served with a subpoena or other notice compelling production of
2 Confidential Discovery Material shall immediately give written notice to counsel for the
3 Producing Party.

4 31. A party who learns of an unauthorized or inadvertent disclosure of Confidential
5 Discovery Material by it or by any person to whom the party has disclosed Confidential
6 Discovery Material pursuant to this Protective Order shall immediately (a) issue written notice
7 of the unauthorized or inadvertent disclosure to the producing party; (b) use best efforts to
8 retrieve all copies of the Confidential Discovery Material subject to unauthorized or inadvertent
9 disclosure; (c) inform all persons to whom unauthorized or inadvertent disclosure was made of
10 the terms of this Protective Order; and (d) use best efforts to secure a non-disclosure agreement
11 in the form attached as **Exhibit A** hereto from all persons to whom the unauthorized disclosure
12 was made.

13 DATED: October 31, 2011 SEDGWICK LLP

14 By: /s/ Wayne A. Wolff
15 Ralph A. Campillo
16 Arameh Zargham
17 Wayne A. Wolff
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20 STRYKER CORPORATION and STRYKER SALES
21 CORPORATION

19 DATED: October 31, 2011 PARSONS BEHLE & LATIMER

20 By: /s/ David R. Hall
21 David R. Hall
22 Attorneys for Plaintiffs
23 DOROTHY TALLEY VIALPANDO

23 **IT IS SO ORDERED.**

24 Dated: November 2, 2011

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26 UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE

1 **EXHIBIT A TO STIPULATED PROTECTIVE ORDER**

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3 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

4 DISTRICT OF NEVADA

5 DOROTHY TALLEY VIALPANDO and
6 GABRIEL VIALPANDO

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9 STRYKER CORPORATION and STRYKER
10 SALES CORPORATION,

11 Defendants.

Case No. 2:10-cv-0028-LDG-PAL

**ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF
STIPULATED PROTECTIVE ORDER
AND NON-DISCLOSURE AGREEMENT**

12 I, _____, acknowledge that I have read and understand
13 the Stipulated Qualified Protective Order (“Protective Order”) in this action governing the non-
14 disclosure of those portions of Confidential Discovery Material that have been designated as
15 Confidential or Trade Secret, or contain individually identifiable health information. I agree
16 that I will not disclose such Confidential Discovery Material to anyone except as expressly
17 permitted by the Protective Order and only for purposes of this action, and that at the conclusion
18 of the action I will return all such Confidential Discovery Material to the party or attorney from
19 whom I received it. By acknowledging these obligations under the Protective Order, I
20 understand that I am submitting myself to the jurisdiction of The United States District Court
21 for the District of Nevada for the purpose of any issue or dispute arising hereunder and that my
22 willful violation of any term of the Protective Order could subject me to punishment for
23 contempt of Court.

24 Dated this _____ day of _____, 2011.

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