IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF WEST VIRGINIA

CHARLESTON DIVISION

IN RE: C. R. BARD, INC.,

PELVIC REPAIR SYSTEM

PRODUCTS LIABILITY LITIGATION

MDL NO. 2187

THIS DOCUMENT RELATES TO:

LEIGH SPARKS and TERRENCE SPARKS,

Plaintiffs,

v.

Civil Action No. 2:19-cv-00095 Judge Goodwin

C. R. BARD, INC. and SOFRADIM PRODUCTION SAS,

Defendants.

MEMORANDUM OPINION AND ORDER

On June 21, 2018, I entered Pretrial Order ("PTO") # 284 ordering that "plaintiffs may no longer direct file claims against C. R. Bard, Inc., Sofradim Production SAS and/or Tissue Sciences Laboratories in the C. R. Bard MDL (as set forth in PTO # 123) or in any other pelvic mesh MDL assigned to the court[.]" *See In re: C. R. Bard, Inc., Pelvic Repair Sys. Prods. Liab. Litig.*, 2:10-md-2187 ("MDL 2187") [ECF # 6075].

In the past I have allowed certain Complaints filed after PTO # 284 to remain in this court if the defendant had filed an answer pursuant to PTO # 51 and/or the case had a docket control order in place. In this civil action, (1) plaintiffs filed their complaint against C. R. Bard, Inc.

("Bard") on February 6, 2019, and filed an Amended Short Form Complaint on July 29, 2019,

adding Sofradim Production, SAS ("Sofradim") as a defendant, (2) there is no indication that

Sofradim has been served, (3) neither defendant has answered, (4) Bard has filed a Motion to

Dismiss, and (5) although this case is on a docket control order, several deadlines on the docket

control order have passed prior to the service of the complaint upon Bard or service of the amended

complaint, that would necessitate a new docket control order should this case be allowed to proceed

in this court. Thus, this action should be dismissed pursuant to PTO # 284. Because this case will

be dismissed, I decline to rule upon the Bard defendant's Motion to Dismiss [ECF # 6].

Pursuant to PTO # 284 the court ORDERS that this civil action is DISMISSED

WITHOUT PREJUDICE and STRICKEN from the docket and any pending motions are

DENIED as moot. If plaintiffs wish to proceed with their claims, they must file their action in

the appropriate jurisdiction.

The court **DIRECTS** the Clerk to send a copy of this Order to counsel of record and any

unrepresented party.

ENTER: August 12, 2019

JØSEPH R. GOODWIN

UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

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