

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
DISTRICT OF MINNESOTA**

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In re: GUIDANT CORP. IMPLANTABLE  
DEFIBRILLATORS PRODUCT  
LIABILITY LITIGATION

MDL No. 05-1708 (DWF/AJB)

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This pleading relates to:

Case No. CV-06-05072 (DWF/AJB)

GUSTAVO COVARRUBIAS BARRIGA,

Plaintiff,

vs.

**AFFIDAVIT OF TIMOTHY A. PRATT  
IN SUPPORT OF AMENDED NOTICE  
OF REMOVAL**

GUIDANT CORPORATION; GUIDANT  
SALES CORPORATION; CARDIAC  
PACEMAKERS, INC.; BOSTON  
SCIENTIFIC CORPORATION;  
PROVIDENCE SAINT JOSEPH; and  
DOES 1 through 100, inclusive,

Defendants.

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STATE OF MISSOURI    )  
                                  ) ss  
COUNTY OF JACKSON )

I, Timothy A. Pratt, being duly sworn under oath hereby state:

1. I make this affidavit upon my own personal knowledge.
2. The Exhibits attached hereto and offered in support of Defendants' Amended

Notice of Removal are true and correct copies of the following:

- Exhibit A – Notice of Removal;
- Exhibit B – Complaint for Damages;
- Exhibit C – Notice of Voluntary Dismissal;
- Exhibit D – Order for Voluntary Dismissal.

This concludes my affidavit.

Date: March 6, 2007

/s/ Timothy A. Pratt  
Timothy A. Pratt