

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
DISTRICT OF MINNESOTA  
THIRD DIVISION**

**In re: Guidant Corp. Implantable  
Defibrillators Products Liability  
Litigation**

**MDL No. 1708  
(DWF/AJB)**

**This Document Relates to Leopoldo  
Duron, Jr.**

Case No. 06-00025

vs.  
Guidant Corp., et al.

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REGARDING DEFENDANTS'  
MEMORANDUM IN OPPOSITION TO  
PLAINTIFFS' MOTION FOR THE  
APPLICATION OF MINNESOTA LAW  
TO THE CLAIMS OF LEOPOLDO  
DURON, JR.**

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