

JUDICIAL PANEL ON
MULTIDISTRICT LITIGATION

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BEFORE THE JUDICIAL PANEL ON MULTIDISTRICT LITIGATION

IN RE GUIDANT CORP. IMPLANTABLE DEFIBRILLATORS PRODUCTS LIABILITY LITIGATION

(SEE ATTACHED SCHEDULE)

CONDITIONAL TRANSFER ORDER (CTO-18)

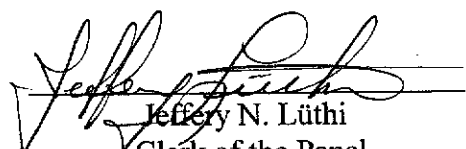
On November 7, 2005, the Panel transferred four civil actions to the United States District Court for the District of Minnesota for coordinated or consolidated pretrial proceedings pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1407. *See* 398 F.Supp.2d 1371 (J.P.M.L. 2005). Since that time, 213 additional actions have been transferred to the District of Minnesota. With the consent of that court, all such actions have been assigned to the Honorable Donovan W. Frank.

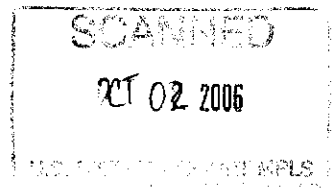
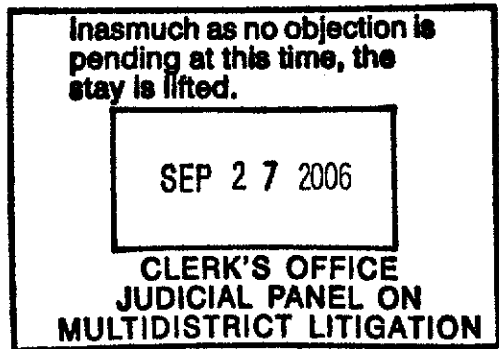
It appears that the actions on this conditional transfer order involve questions of fact that are common to the actions previously transferred to the District of Minnesota and assigned to Judge Frank.

Pursuant to Rule 7.4 of the Rules of Procedure of the Judicial Panel on Multidistrict Litigation, 199 F.R.D. 425, 435-36 (2001), these actions are transferred under 28 U.S.C. § 1407 to the District of Minnesota for the reasons stated in the order of November 7, 2005, and, with the consent of that court, assigned to the Honorable Donovan W. Frank.

This order does not become effective until it is filed in the Office of the Clerk of the United States District Court for the District of Minnesota. The transmittal of this order to said Clerk shall be stayed 15 days from the entry thereof. If any party files a notice of opposition with the Clerk of the Panel within this 15-day period, the stay will be continued until further order of the Panel.

FOR THE PANEL:


 Jeffrey N. Lüthi
 Clerk of the Panel



SCHEDULE CTO-18 - TAG-ALONG ACTIONS
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DIST. DIV. C.A. #

CASE CAPTION

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~~CAC 2 06-5114~~ ~~Angelo Roberts v. Guidant Corp., et al.~~ ~~Opposed 9/20/06~~
~~CAC 2 06-5178~~ ~~William J. Frayer v. Guidant Corp., et al.~~ ~~Opposed 9/20/06~~
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~~CAC 8 06-754~~ ~~Perry Johnson v. Guidant Corp., et al.~~ ~~Opposed 9/20/06~~
~~CAC 8 06-766~~ ~~Pearl M. Russo v. Guidant Corp., et al.~~ ~~Opposed 9/20/06~~
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~~CAN 3 06-5170~~ ~~Einar Nelsen, etc. v. Guidant Corp., et al.~~ ~~Opposed 9/25/06~~
~~CAN 4 06-5151~~ ~~Francis McConville, et al. v. Guidant Corp., et al.~~ ~~Opposed 9/25/06~~

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FLM 8 06-1396 Susan Ketchum, et al. v. Guidant Corp., et al. 06-3939

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~~NM 6 06-734~~ ~~Robin Simpson v. Larry Tibbetts, et al.~~ ~~Opposed 9/25/06~~

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