

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
DISTRICT OF MASSACHUSETTS**

IN RE: COVIDIEN HERNIA MESH)	
PRODUCTS LIABILITY LITIGATION NO. II,)	
)	MDL No. 1:22-md-03029-PBS
This Document Relates To:)	
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All Cases)	
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MDL Order No. 1
(General Provisions)
June 27, 2022

SARIS, J.

1. This Order shall govern the practice and procedure in those actions transferred to this Court by the Judicial Panel on Multidistrict Litigation pursuant to its order of June 6, 2022, entitled In re: Covidien Hernia Mesh Products Liability Litigation (No. II), MDL No. 3029, and any tag-along actions transferred by the Panel after that date, and any related actions previously assigned to this Court. This Order is also applicable to any case filed in the District of Massachusetts as a related case unless otherwise ordered by the Court.

2. The actions subject to this Order are coordinated for pretrial purposes. All pleadings and other papers in each of the coordinated actions shall be filed in the District of Massachusetts as detailed below.

3. An MDL master file and docket has been established under Docket No. 1:22-md-03029-PBS. Each action transferred to this Court will also be assigned a new District of Massachusetts civil action number.

4. All pleadings and other papers shall be filed electronically in each civil action to which the pleadings or papers relate and in the master MDL file.

5. The caption of all filed pleadings and other papers shall include the MDL docket number and the heading:

**IN RE: COVIDIEN HERNIA MESH PRODUCTS LIABILITY
LITIGATION NO. II**

The caption shall also state:

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when the pleading or other paper relates to all consolidated actions, or:

This Document Relates To:

**[the separate caption and the civil action number assigned by the Clerk of
this Court for each individual action to which the pleading relates]**

when the pleading or other paper relates to fewer than all actions.

6. Counsel shall provide paper courtesy copies to the District Court Clerk's Office for documents, including all exhibits, relating to a dispositive motion, opposition, reply, or sur-reply, as stated in this Court's Standing Order re: Electronic Filing in Cases Filed Before Saris, J.

7. This Order shall be filed and docketed on the Master Docket and the docket of each of the individual cases consolidated under the Master Docket Number. In addition, it shall be posted on the MDL website for the District Court of Massachusetts.

So Ordered.

/s/ Patti B. Saris
Hon. Patti B. Saris
United States District Judge