UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF WEST VIRGINIA AT CHARLESTON

IN RE: C.R. BARD, INC., PELVIC REPAIR SYSTEM PRODUCTS LIABILITY LITIGATION

MDL No. 2187

THIS DOCUMENT RELATES TO CIVIL ACTION NO.:

McClesky, et al. v. C. R. Bard, Inc. 2:13-cv-33758

PRETRIAL ORDER # 137 (Initial Order Regarding Severance of Actions)

The complaint filed in the above-referenced action joined multiple plaintiffs whose only apparent connection with one another is that they allege they were injured by a C. R. Bard, Inc. pelvic mesh product. I **FIND** that multiple plaintiff complaints, except those complaints in which only one individual alleges using a C. R. Bard, Inc. product but another derivative plaintiff is named as well (e.g. cases in which a spouse is asserting only a loss of consortium claim), should be severed. Accordingly, to resolve any misjoinder concerns and to facilitate the efficient administration of these actions, it is **ORDERED** as follows:

- 1. Except for the first named plaintiff (and derivative plaintiff(s) claiming under her, if any) listed in Exhibit A, attached hereto, **and** any plaintiff(s) who objects to severance (see paragraph 7), the remaining plaintiffs in the aforementioned case shall be dismissed without prejudice on or around **September 3, 2014**.
- 2. Within thirty (30) days after the entry of this Pretrial Order ("PTO"), each individual plaintiff dismissed pursuant to paragraph 1 of this PTO who did not object to severance and any

derivative plaintiff claiming under her, may file an individual severed complaint to continue the prosecution of the claims they alleged in the dismissed civil action. Each such plaintiff may choose to file in this court, a Short Form Complaint in the form available on the court's website. Each plaintiff is reminded of her obligation to comply with Rule 4 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure.

- 3. Any Short Form Complaint filed by a severed plaintiff must be accompanied by the appropriate filing fee, and assigned a separate civil action number determined by the Clerk.
- 4. Any severed plaintiff who wishes to name as defendants parties who are not listed in the current Master Long Form Complaint as defendants must file an individual complaint in the District Court where such action properly can be filed and await transfer by the Judicial Panel on Multidistrict Litigation (the "Panel").
- 5. Any re-filed action (whether filed in another district or in the Southern District of West Virginia) shall refer to the dismissed civil action number. This information must be added to the Short Form Complaint immediately under the Civil Action Number or to the style of the long form complaint immediately under the Civil Action Number assigned by the Clerk in the district where the action is filed. (*See* Exhibit B, attached hereto.)
- 6. Any individual Complaint filed within the time provided by this PTO will be deemed to have been filed on and relate back to the original filing date of the applicable multi-plaintiff civil action. Any statute of limitations defense that existed as of the filing dates of the original multi-plaintiff complaints shall be preserved.
- 7. Any plaintiff(s) who objects to this PTO must do so within ten (10) days of entry of this PTO or by **August 29, 2014**. Such plaintiff should file her objections in the Southern District of West Virginia in the original multi-plaintiff case, with any objection not to exceed

two (2) pages. Any plaintiff(s) who objects shall not be severed until such objection is resolved

by the court.

8. The court **DIRECTS** the Clerk to place a copy of this PTO in each re-filed action

filed pursuant to this PTO that is directly filed in the Southern District and in each re-filed

action filed pursuant to this PTO that is transferred by the Panel on the date the case is opened

in the Southern District.

The court **DIRECTS** the Clerk to file a copy of this order in 2:10-md-02187 and in

member case 2:13-cv-33758 and it shall apply to each member related case previously

transferred to, removed to, or filed in this district, which includes counsel in all member cases

up to and including civil action number 2:14-cv-24842. In cases subsequently filed in this

district, a copy of the most recent pretrial order will be provided by the Clerk to counsel

appearing in each new action at the time of filing of the complaint. In cases subsequently

removed or transferred to this court, a copy of the most recent pretrial order will be provided by

the clerk to counsel appearing in each new action upon removal or transfer. It shall be the

responsibility of the parties to review and abide by all pretrial orders previously entered by the

court. The orders may be accessed through the CM/ECF system or the court's website at

www.wvsd.uscourts.gov.

ENTER: August 19, 2014

JOSEPH R. GOODWIN

UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

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Exhibit "B"

I. For Directly Filed Cases:

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

Civil Action No	
(Severed from Civil Action No)	

SHORT FORM COMPLAINT

II. For All Other Cases:

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF WISCONSIN

PATRICIA BERGGREN,	
Plaintiff,	
v.	Civil Action No (Severed from SDWV Civil Action No)
C. R. BARD, INC., ET AL.,	
Defendants.	

COMPLAINT AND JURY DEMAND

MDL 2187 - EXHIBIT A

Plaintiffs	Originating District	Originating Case No.	SDWV – MDL Member Case No.
Tamuns	District	Case 110.	Wichiber Case 110.
	Oklahoma Western	5:13-cv-00849	2:13-cv-33758
Hayley McClesky			
Nereida Cintron			
Pamela Adams			
Patricia Bennett			
Cornelia Harvey			
Jeneva Jones			
Willie Mathews Frances Medina			
Jennifer Alger			
Sharon Ambrose			
Maggie Anderson			
Dorothy F. Arnold			
Rebecca Baladez			
Alberta Barney			
Sandra Bellmire			
Sharon Bench			
Gwen Berrier			
Peggy Boss			
Cornelia Brantley			
Amy Bray			
Cheryl Bryant Lena Bushong			
Corita Caldwell			
Francine Calvary			
Lillie Clay			
Mary Ann Cleary			
Sandra Clemons			
Ola Coffman			
Lela Contreras			
Judy Cox			
Ruth Cupp Christine Dalton			
Alberta Darcy Murray			
Betty Degramo			
Ouida Di Petrillo			
Susan Dombrowski			
Beverly Donohoo			
Maveline Eaves			
Sandra Ebert			
Vivian Eccles			
Barbara Emmert			
Angela Epley			
Glaciela Faulkner			

Plaintiffs	Originating District	Originating Case No.	SDWV – MDL Member Case No.
	Oklahoma Western	5:13-cv-00849	2:13-cv-33758
Eilene Fincher			
Loretta Fraijo			
Criselda Garza			
Patricia Gesford			
Maria Gomez			
Mary Gonzales			
Joanne Gray			
Judy Hallman			
Barbara Hamm			
Sharon Hampton			
Ruby Harris			
Helen Harris			
Debbie Heath			
Carla Hennies			
Doris Hensinger			
Shirley Herring			
Jeannette Holley			
Marlena Horne			
Debra Hughes			
Nina Humphries			
Mary Ingram			
Janie H Iven			
Joan Jensen			
Shelley Johnson			
Patricia Keating			
Debra Kelly			
Kimberly Renea Knight			
Laurie Kreeger			
Rebecca Lane			
Diane Lentz			
Freda Lewis			
Marinell Lightfoot			
Caroline Long			
Sherry Long			
Nancy Lopez			
Ruth Mares			
Sylvia McClellan			
Victoria McConville			
Maria Mendoza			
O'Shera Middleton			
Sandra Millegan			
Billie Moss-McElroy			
Karen Moulton			
Swadesh Mullick			
Lisa Nau			

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Plaintiffs	District	Case No.	Member Case No.
	Oklahoma Western	5:13-cv-00849	2:13-cv-33758
Leone Nelson			
Brenda Opperman			
Kimberly Phillips			
Dianne Pitt			
Janine Porter			
Connie Quiroga			
Sophie Rafidi			
Deborah Rawdon-Davies			
Linda Rieth			
Brenda Rose			