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DEBORAH A. KAPLAN
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ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER

By authority vested in me as Administrative Judge of the Supreme Court, Civil Branch, New York County and pursuant to the Decision and Order of the New York State Litigation Coordinating Panel in the matter of *Abbott v. Astrazeneca Pharmaceuticals LP*, New York County Index No. 116572/2006, Panel No. 0002/2007, dated September 25, 2008 and Section 202.69 (c)(1) of the Uniform Rules for the Trial Courts, it is hereby

ORDERED, that all cases in which plaintiffs seek damages for personal injury allegedly caused by the ingestion of a product manufactured and distributed by the defendants, namely, the prescription medication Seroquel ®, that are currently pending in the Supreme Court, Civil Branch, New York County or that shall hereafter be commenced in this county, and were previously assigned Honorable Martin Shulman, one of the Justices of the Center for Complex Litigation of the New York County Supreme Court, are now assigned to the Honorable Robert Reed, for the purpose of Coordination as set for the below and for all other purposes, and it is further

ORDERED that Justice Reed is hereby designated the Coordinating Justice for the Coordination directed by the Panel in the aforesaid Decision and Order, and it is further


ORDERED that (i) all pending cases seeking damages for personal injury from the ingestion of the prescription medication Seroquel ® that are listed in the Decision and Order of the Panel and other pending cases of this type that are not so listed but are pending in this county or that, pursuant to the Decision and Order, shall be transferred to this county for inclusion in the Coordination, and (ii) any such cases that shall be commenced hereafter either in this county or in another county and that, pursuant to the Decision and Order, shall be transferred to this county for inclusion in the Coordination shall be assigned to Justice Reed for the purpose of, and shall be included in, the Coordination, and it is further

ORDERED that the attorneys hereafter filing any such matters in this court or effecting transfer of any such matters to this court pursuant to the said Decision and Order shall, as soon as practicable, file a Request for Judicial Intervention (which shall be without fee in any case in which a Request for Judicial Intervention was previously filed in a county other than New York County) and shall attach a copy of this Administrative Order to each such Request and shall designate the case as one related to the *Abbott* matter.

It appears to the undersigned that the Coordination of and proceedings in the aforementioned pending cases and other such cases as may hereafter be filed shall be advanced and rendered more efficient for the parties, counsel, the Coordinating Justice, and the court if the cases are filed and processed in the New York State Courts Electronic Filing System. Counsel are directed to contact the Statewide Coordinator of Electronic Filing, Mr. Jeffrey Carucci, at: jcarucci@nycourts.gov.

Hon. Deborah A. Kaplan
Administrative Judge
Supreme Court, New York County
Civil Branch

Dated: New York, New York
August 18, 2020


Hon. Deborah A. Kaplan
Administrative Judge