

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
EASTERN DISTRICT OF ARKANSAS
CENTRAL DIVISION

IN RE: PROFEMUR HIP IMPLANT) MDL No. 2949
PRODUCTS LIABILITY LITIGATION) ALL CASES

ORDER

The Judicial Panel on Multidistrict Litigation has transferred to this Court for centralized pretrial proceedings actions that concern alleged defects in the Wright Medical and Microport Profemur line of modular hip implants, which were offered in titanium and cobalt chromium alloys (the “MDL”). Prior to the transfer, Wright Medical Technology, Inc., Wright Medical Group, Inc., and Wright Medical Group, N.V. (the “Wright Medical Defendants”) retained both national counsel and local counsel in the jurisdiction of the individual matter (“Local Counsel”) for representation. Wright Medical Technology, Inc. states that considering the consolidation of cases into the MDL, it is unnecessary for them to maintain Local Counsel in each of the individual cases (*See* Dkt. Nos. listed in Appendix A). Wright Medical Technology, Inc. moves to withdraw the appearances of Local Counsel in the matters identified in the chart attached hereto as Appendix A (Dkt. No. 88). Wright Medical Technology, Inc. states that it will continue to be represented in each case and in the MDL generally by Duane Morris LLP (*Id.*, ¶ 5). For good cause shown, the motion is granted (*Id.*). The Clerk is instructed to withdraw Local Counsel from each MDL case identified in Appendix A.

So ordered this 22nd day of August, 2022.



Kristine G. Baker
United States District Court Judge

APPENDIX A

No.	Case Name	USDC E.D. AR No	Local Counsel to Withdraw
1	Plaintiffs: Pamela Hudson and Dane Hudson Defendants: Wright Medical Technology, Inc.	4:20-cv-01276-KGB	Michael Norris Shannon and Robert Ryan Younger
2	Plaintiffs: Jodilynn Giamella and John Giamella Defendant: Wright Medical Technology, Inc.	4:21-cv-00084-KGB	Danielle N. Bagwell and Ralph Jeffrey Carter
3	Plaintiff: Harry Artoglou Defendants: Wright Medical Technology, Inc. and Microport Orthopedics, Inc.	4:21-cv-00197-KGB	Ralph Jeffrey Carter
4	Plaintiffs: Jeffrey Matthews and Jacquelyn L. Matthews Defendant: Wright Medical Technology, Inc.	4:21-cv-00390-KGB	Thomas E. Lydon