## UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF FLORIDA

IN RE: ZANTAC (RANITIDINE)
PRODUCTS LIABILITY
LITIGATION

MDL NO. 2924 20-MD-2924

JUDGE ROBIN L. ROSENBERG MAGISTRATE JUDGE BRUCE E. REINHART

#### THIS DOCUMENT RELATES TO: ALL CASES

### JOINT MOTION TO PERMIT USE OF ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT DURING DAUBERT HEARINGS

MDL Plaintiffs and Brand Defendants request permission to bring portable computers and related electronic equipment into the courthouse for use during the upcoming hearings scheduled for September 21-22, 2022 and September 30, 2022, and in support state:

- 1. Pursuant to Pretrial Order 77 [DE 5579], hearings on *Daubert* motions will be held in open court on September 21-22, 2022, and September 30, 2022.
- 2. MDL Plaintiffs and Brand Defendants both seek to bring portable computers and related electronic equipment into the courthouse for use during the upcoming hearings.
- 3. Southern District of Florida Local Rule 77.1 does not permit the use of electronic equipment in any section of the building where federal judicial proceedings are conducted unless otherwise permitted by the judicial officer before whom the particular case is pending.
- 4. The portable computers and related equipment contemplated to be utilized in the courtroom by the undersigned counsel will not be utilized for any activities prohibited by Local Rule 77.1 (i.e., the taking of photographs, the operation of recording or transmission devices, and the broadcasting or televising of proceedings in courtrooms or chambers, adjacent rooms,

hallways, doorways, stairways, elevators or offices of supporting personnel).

- 5. The Court's Administrative Order 2018-79 regarding Cellular Phone and Electronic Equipment in the Courthouse, provides the Court authority to grant the relief requested in this motion.
- 6. Pursuant to Local Rule 7.1(a)(3), MDL Plaintiffs and Brand Defendants jointly move to allow both sides to bring portable computers and related electronic equipment into the courthouse for use during the upcoming *Daubert* hearings.

WHEREFORE, MDL Plaintiffs and Brand Defendants jointly request that this Court enter an order allowing them to bring portable computers and related electronic equipment into the courthouse for use during the upcoming *Daubert* hearings. DATED: September 12, 2022.

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## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that on September 12, 2022, I electronically filed the foregoing document with the Clerk of the Court using CM/ECF and that the foregoing document is being served on all counsel of record or parties registered to receive CM/ECF Electronic Filings.

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# [PROPOSED] ORDER GRANTING JOINT MOTION TO PERMIT USE OF ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT DURING DAUBERT HEARINGS

**THIS MATTER** came before the Court on the parties' Joint Motion to Permit Use of Electronic Equipment During *Daubert* Hearings ("Motion"). The Court, having reviewed the Motion, **ORDERS and ADJUDGES** that the Motion is **GRANTED**. MDL Plaintiffs and Brand Defendants are allowed to bring portable portable computers and related electronic equipment into the courthouse for use during the *Daubert* hearings set for September 21-22, 2022 and September 30, 2022.

**DONE and ORDERED** in Chambers at West Palm Beach, Florida, this \_\_\_\_ day of September, 2022.

ROBIN L. ROSENBERG UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE