

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF MASSACHUSETTS**

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

This Document Relates To:

MARIA VANESSA BAISDEN

MDL No. 1:22-md-03029-PBS

SHORT FORM COMPLAINT

Plaintiff files this Short Form Complaint pursuant to Case Management Order No. 7 and is to be bound by the rights, protections, and privileges and obligations of that Order. Plaintiff hereby incorporates the Master Complaint in MDL No. 3029 by reference. Plaintiff further shows the Court as follows:

1. The name of Plaintiff/the person implanted with Defendants' Hernia Mesh Device(s):

Maria Vanessa Baisden

2. The name of any Consortium Plaintiff (if applicable):

N/A

3. Other Plaintiff(s) and Capacity (i.e., administrator, executor, guardian, conservator):

N/A

4. Current State of Residence:

Georgia

5. District Court and Division in which action would have been filed absent direct filing:

District of Massachusetts; Eastern Division

6. Defendants (Check Defendants against whom Complaint is made):



A. Covidien LP



B. Sofradim Production SAS

☐ C. Other (please list: _____)

7. Identify which of Defendants' Hernia Mesh Device(s) was/were implanted (Check all device(s) implanted):

- ☐ Dextile Anatomical Mesh
- ☐ Parietene DS Mesh
- ☐ Parietene Polypropylene Mesh
- ☐ Parietene Progrip Mesh
- ☐ Parietex Composite Mesh
- ☐ Parietex Composite Mono PM Mesh
- ☐ Parietex Composite PCO-OS or PCO-OB Mesh
- ☐ Parietex Composite Ventral Patch
- ☐ Parietex Hydrophilic 2D Mesh
- ☐ Parietex Hydrophilic 3D Mesh
- ☐ Parietex Hydrophilic Anatomical Mesh
- ☐ Parietex Monofilament Polyester Mesh
- ☒ Parietex Optimized Composite Mesh
- ☐ Parietex Plug & Patch
- ☐ Parietex ProGrip
- ☐ ProGrip Laparoscopic
- ☐ SurgiPro
- ☐ SurgiPro Plug & Patch
- ☐ Symbotex Composite Mesh
- ☐ Other (please list in space provided below):

8. Defendants' Hernia Mesh Device(s) about which Plaintiff is making a claim (Check all applicable device(s)):

- ☐ Dextile Anatomical Mesh
- ☐ Parietene DS Mesh
- ☐ Parietene Polypropylene Mesh
- ☐ Parietene ProGrip Mesh
- ☐ Parietex Composite Mesh
- ☐ Parietex Composite Mono PM Mesh
- ☐ Parietex Composite PCO-OS or PCO-OB Mesh
- ☐ Parietex Composite Ventral Patch
- ☐ Parietex Hydrophilic 2D Mesh
- ☐ Parietex Hydrophilic 3D Mesh
- ☐ Parietex Hydrophilic Anatomical Mesh
- ☐ Parietex Monofilament Polyester Mesh
- ☒ Parietex Optimized Composite Mesh
- ☐ Parietex Plug & Patch
- ☐ Parietex ProGrip
- ☐ ProGrip Laparoscopic
- ☐ SurgiPro
- ☐ SurgiPro Plug & Patch
- ☐ Symbotex Composite Mesh
- ☐ Other (please list in space provided below):

9. Date of Implantation and State of Implantation (if multiple devices, list date of implantation for each device and list the device implanted on such date):

3/29/2017 (Parietex Optimized Composite Mesh) GA

10. As of the date of filing this Short Form Complaint, has the person implanted with Defendants' Hernia Mesh Device(s) had subsequent surgical intervention due to the Hernia Mesh Device(s)?: Yes X No _____

11. Basis of Jurisdiction:

☒ Diversity of Citizenship

☐ Other: _____

12. Counts in the Master Complaint adopted by Plaintiff(s):

☒ Count I – Strict Product Liability- Defective Design

☒ Count II – Strict Product Liability- Failure to Warn

☒ Count III – Strict Product Liability- Manufacturing Defect

☒ Count IV– Negligence

☒ Count V– Negligence Per Se

☒ Count VI– Gross Negligence

☒ Count VII – State Consumer Protection Laws (Please identify applicable State Consumer Protection law(s)):

MASS. GEN. LAWS ANN. CH. 93A, *et seq.*; O.C.G.A. §§ 10-1-372, *et seq.*

☒ Count VIII – Breach of Implied Warranty

☒ Count IX – Breach of Express Warranty

☒ Count X – Negligent Infliction of Emotional Distress

☒ Count XI – Intentional Infliction of Emotional Distress

☒ Count XII – Negligent Misrepresentation

☒ Count XIII – Fraud and Fraudulent Misrepresentation

☒ Count XIV – Fraudulent Concealment

- ☐ Count XV – Wrongful Death
- ☐ Count XVI – Loss of Consortium
- ☒ Count XVII – Punitive Damages
- ☐ Other Count(s) (please identify and state factual and legal bases for other claims not included in the Master Complaint below):
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- ☒ Jury Trial is Demanded as to All Counts
- ☐ Jury Trial is NOT Demanded as to All Counts; if Jury Trial is Demanded as to Any Count(s), identify which ones (list below):
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Respectfully submitted,

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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
DISTRICT OF MASSACHUSETTS

1. Title of case (name of first party on each side only) MARIA VANESSA BAISDEN v. Covidien LP
2. Category in which the case belongs based upon the numbered nature of suit code listed on the civil cover sheet. (See local rule 40.1(a)(1)).
- ☐ I. 160, 400, 410, 441, 535, 830*, 835*, 850, 880, 891, 893, R.23, REGARDLESS OF NATURE OF SUIT.
- ☐ II. 110, 130, 190, 196, 370, 375, 376, 440, 442, 443, 445, 446, 448, 470, 751, 820*, 840*, 895, 896, 899.
- ☒ III. 120, 140, 150, 151, 152, 153, 195, 210, 220, 230, 240, 245, 290, 310, 315, 320, 330, 340, 345, 350, 355, 360, 362, 365, 367, 368, 371, 380, 385, 422, 423, 430, 450, 460, 462, 463, 465, 480, 485, 490, 510, 530, 540, 550, 555, 560, 625, 690, 710, 720, 740, 790, 791, 861-865, 870, 871, 890, 950.
- *Also complete AO 120 or AO 121. for patent, trademark or copyright cases.
3. Title and number, if any, of related cases. (See local rule 40.1(g)). If more than one prior related case has been filed in this district please indicate the title and number of the first filed case in this court.
- IN RE: Covidien Hernia Mesh Products Liability Litigation No. II, 1:22-md-03029-PBS
4. Has a prior action between the same parties and based on the same claim ever been filed in this court?
- YES ☐ NO ☒
5. Does the complaint in this case question the constitutionality of an act of congress affecting the public interest? (See 28 USC §2403)
- YES ☐ NO ☒
- If so, is the U.S.A. or an officer, agent or employee of the U.S. a party?
- YES ☐ NO ☒
6. Is this case required to be heard and determined by a district court of three judges pursuant to title 28 USC §2284?
- YES ☐ NO ☒
7. Do all of the parties in this action, excluding governmental agencies of the United States and the Commonwealth of Massachusetts ("governmental agencies"), residing in Massachusetts reside in the same division? - (See Local Rule 40.1(d)).
- YES ☒ NO ☐
- A. If yes, in which division do all of the non-governmental parties reside?
- Eastern Division ☒ Central Division ☐ Western Division ☐
- B. If no, in which division do the majority of the plaintiffs or the only parties, excluding governmental agencies, residing in Massachusetts reside?
- Eastern Division ☐ Central Division ☐ Western Division ☐
8. If filing a Notice of Removal - are there any motions pending in the state court requiring the attention of this Court? (If yes, submit a separate sheet identifying the motions)
- YES ☐ NO ☒

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CIVIL COVER SHEET

The JS 44 civil cover sheet and the information contained herein neither replace nor supplement the filing and service of pleadings or other papers as required by law, except as provided by local rules of court. This form, approved by the Judicial Conference of the United States in September 1974, is required for the use of the Clerk of Court for the purpose of initiating the civil docket sheet. (SEE INSTRUCTIONS ON NEXT PAGE OF THIS FORM.)

I. (a) PLAINTIFFS

MARIA VANESSA BAISDEN

(b) County of Residence of First Listed Plaintiff Sumter County, GA
(EXCEPT IN U.S. PLAINTIFF CASES)

(c) Attorneys (Firm Name, Address, and Telephone Number)

Kelsey L. Stokes, 2800 Post Oak Blvd, Suite 6000, Houston, Texas
77056, (713) 621-7944

DEFENDANTS

Covidien, Inc., et al.

County of Residence of First Listed Defendant Middlesex Co
(IN U.S. PLAINTIFF CASES ONLY)

NOTE: IN LAND CONDEMNATION CASES, USE THE LOCATION OF
THE TRACT OF LAND INVOLVED.

Attorneys (If Known)

II. BASIS OF JURISDICTION (Place an "X" in One Box Only)

- ☐ 1 U.S. Government Plaintiff ☐ 3 Federal Question (U.S. Government Not a Party)
- ☐ 2 U.S. Government Defendant ☒ 4 Diversity (Indicate Citizenship of Parties in Item III)

III. CITIZENSHIP OF PRINCIPAL PARTIES (Place an "X" in One Box for Plaintiff and One Box for Defendant)

- | | PTF | DEF | | PTF | DEF |
|---|---------------------------------------|----------------------------|---|----------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| Citizen of This State | <input type="checkbox"/> 1 | <input type="checkbox"/> 1 | Incorporated or Principal Place of Business In This State | <input type="checkbox"/> 4 | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 4 |
| Citizen of Another State | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 2 | <input type="checkbox"/> 2 | Incorporated and Principal Place of Business In Another State | <input type="checkbox"/> 5 | <input type="checkbox"/> 5 |
| Citizen or Subject of a Foreign Country | <input type="checkbox"/> 3 | <input type="checkbox"/> 3 | Foreign Nation | <input type="checkbox"/> 6 | <input type="checkbox"/> 6 |

IV. NATURE OF SUIT (Place an "X" in One Box Only)[Click here for: Nature of Suit Code Descriptions.](#)

CONTRACT	TORTS	FORFEITURE/PENALTY	BANKRUPTCY	OTHER STATUTES
<input type="checkbox"/> 110 Insurance <input type="checkbox"/> 120 Marine <input type="checkbox"/> 130 Miller Act <input type="checkbox"/> 140 Negotiable Instrument <input type="checkbox"/> 150 Recovery of Overpayment & Enforcement of Judgment <input type="checkbox"/> 151 Medicare Act <input type="checkbox"/> 152 Recovery of Defaulted Student Loans (Excludes Veterans) <input type="checkbox"/> 153 Recovery of Overpayment of Veteran's Benefits <input type="checkbox"/> 160 Stockholders' Suits <input type="checkbox"/> 190 Other Contract <input type="checkbox"/> 195 Contract Product Liability <input type="checkbox"/> 196 Franchise	PERSONAL INJURY <input type="checkbox"/> 310 Airplane <input type="checkbox"/> 315 Airplane Product Liability <input type="checkbox"/> 320 Assault, Libel & Slander <input type="checkbox"/> 330 Federal Employers' Liability <input type="checkbox"/> 340 Marine <input type="checkbox"/> 345 Marine Product Liability <input type="checkbox"/> 350 Motor Vehicle <input type="checkbox"/> 355 Motor Vehicle Product Liability <input type="checkbox"/> 360 Other Personal Injury <input type="checkbox"/> 362 Personal Injury - Medical Malpractice PERSONAL INJURY <input type="checkbox"/> 365 Personal Injury - Product Liability <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 367 Health Care/ Pharmaceutical Personal Injury Product Liability <input type="checkbox"/> 368 Asbestos Personal Injury Product Liability PERSONAL PROPERTY <input type="checkbox"/> 370 Other Fraud <input type="checkbox"/> 371 Truth in Lending <input type="checkbox"/> 380 Other Personal Property Damage <input type="checkbox"/> 385 Property Damage Product Liability	<input type="checkbox"/> 625 Drug Related Seizure of Property 21 USC 881 <input type="checkbox"/> 690 Other LABOR <input type="checkbox"/> 710 Fair Labor Standards Act <input type="checkbox"/> 720 Labor/Management Relations <input type="checkbox"/> 740 Railway Labor Act <input type="checkbox"/> 751 Family and Medical Leave Act <input type="checkbox"/> 790 Other Labor Litigation <input type="checkbox"/> 791 Employee Retirement Income Security Act IMMIGRATION <input type="checkbox"/> 462 Naturalization Application <input type="checkbox"/> 465 Other Immigration Actions	<input type="checkbox"/> 422 Appeal 28 USC 158 <input type="checkbox"/> 423 Withdrawal 28 USC 157 PROPERTY RIGHTS <input type="checkbox"/> 820 Copyrights <input type="checkbox"/> 830 Patent <input type="checkbox"/> 835 Patent - Abbreviated New Drug Application <input type="checkbox"/> 840 Trademark <input type="checkbox"/> 880 Defend Trade Secrets Act of 2016 SOCIAL SECURITY <input type="checkbox"/> 861 HIA (1395ff) <input type="checkbox"/> 862 Black Lung (923) <input type="checkbox"/> 863 DIWC/DIWW (405(g)) <input type="checkbox"/> 864 SSID Title XVI <input type="checkbox"/> 865 RSI (405(g)) FEDERAL TAX SUITS <input type="checkbox"/> 870 Taxes (U.S. Plaintiff or Defendant) <input type="checkbox"/> 871 IRS—Third Party 26 USC 7609	<input type="checkbox"/> 375 False Claims Act <input type="checkbox"/> 376 Qui Tam (31 USC 3729(a)) <input type="checkbox"/> 400 State Reapportionment <input type="checkbox"/> 410 Antitrust <input type="checkbox"/> 430 Banks and Banking <input type="checkbox"/> 450 Commerce <input type="checkbox"/> 460 Deportation <input type="checkbox"/> 470 Racketeer Influenced and Corrupt Organizations <input type="checkbox"/> 480 Consumer Credit (15 USC 1681 or 1692) <input type="checkbox"/> 485 Telephone Consumer Protection Act <input type="checkbox"/> 490 Cable/Sat TV <input type="checkbox"/> 850 Securities/Commodities/Exchange <input type="checkbox"/> 890 Other Statutory Actions <input type="checkbox"/> 891 Agricultural Acts <input type="checkbox"/> 893 Environmental Matters <input type="checkbox"/> 895 Freedom of Information Act <input type="checkbox"/> 896 Arbitration <input type="checkbox"/> 899 Administrative Procedure Act/Review or Appeal of Agency Decision <input type="checkbox"/> 950 Constitutionality of State Statutes
REAL PROPERTY <input type="checkbox"/> 210 Land Condemnation <input type="checkbox"/> 220 Foreclosure <input type="checkbox"/> 230 Rent Lease & Ejectment <input type="checkbox"/> 240 Torts to Land <input type="checkbox"/> 245 Tort Product Liability <input type="checkbox"/> 290 All Other Real Property	CIVIL RIGHTS <input type="checkbox"/> 440 Other Civil Rights <input type="checkbox"/> 441 Voting <input type="checkbox"/> 442 Employment <input type="checkbox"/> 443 Housing/Accommodations <input type="checkbox"/> 445 Amer. w/Disabilities - Employment <input type="checkbox"/> 446 Amer. w/Disabilities - Other <input type="checkbox"/> 448 Education PRISONER PETITIONS Habeas Corpus: <input type="checkbox"/> 463 Alien Detainee <input type="checkbox"/> 510 Motions to Vacate Sentence <input type="checkbox"/> 530 General <input type="checkbox"/> 535 Death Penalty Other: <input type="checkbox"/> 540 Mandamus & Other <input type="checkbox"/> 550 Civil Rights <input type="checkbox"/> 555 Prison Condition <input type="checkbox"/> 560 Civil Detainee - Conditions of Confinement			

V. ORIGIN (Place an "X" in One Box Only)

- ☐ 1 Original Proceeding ☐ 2 Removed from State Court ☐ 3 Remanded from Appellate Court ☐ 4 Reinstated or Reopened ☐ 5 Transferred from Another District (specify) ☐ 6 Multidistrict Litigation - Transfer ☒ 8 Multidistrict Litigation - Direct File

VI. CAUSE OF ACTION

Cite the U.S. Civil Statute under which you are filing (Do not cite jurisdictional statutes unless diversity):
28 U.S.C. § 1332

Brief description of cause:
Product Liability/Personal Injury involving a defective medical device

VII. REQUESTED IN COMPLAINT:

☐ CHECK IF THIS IS A CLASS ACTION UNDER RULE 23, F.R.Cv.P. **DEMAND \$** 100,000,000.00 **CHECK YES only if demanded in complaint:**
JURY DEMAND: ☒ Yes ☐ No

VIII. RELATED CASE(S) IF ANY

(See instructions):

JUDGE District Judge Patti B. SarisDOCKET NUMBER 1:22-md-03029-PBS

DATE

7/5/2024

SIGNATURE OF ATTORNEY OF RECORD

/s/ Kelsey L. Stokes

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RECEIPT # _____ AMOUNT _____ APPLYING IFP _____ JUDGE _____ MAG. JUDGE _____