

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

Chambers of
DONOVAN W. FRANK
DISTRICT JUDGE

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January 18, 2008

BY U.S. MAIL & ECF

Mr. Don Keesler
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**Re: *Brenda Sue Abernathy, et al. v. Guidant Corporation, Guidant Sales Corporation,
Boston Scientific Corporation, and Cardiac Pacemakers, Inc.***
Civil No. 07-4048 (DWF/AJB)
Motion to Withdraw as Counsel

Dear Mr. Keesler:

On January 16, 2007, the attorneys that originally filed your case with this Court filed a motion to withdraw as your counsel in the above-entitled matter. Before I rule on that motion, I am giving you the chance to respond in writing to let me know if you oppose or support the motion. If you wish to respond, please do so within one week of receipt of this letter. You may send your response to me in writing (316 North Robert Street, St. Paul, Minnesota 55101); by fax (651-848-1292); or by email (frank_chambers@mnd.uscourts.gov). For your convenience, I am including a copy of the motion for your review. (The Court notes that the statement made in the motion to withdraw at numbered paragraph four is not correct. The Court has not asked the Mulligan Law Firm to dismiss with prejudice; if anything, the Court has inquired as to whether the Mulligan Law Firm intended to withdraw with prejudice or without prejudice.)

I am electronically filing a copy of this letter so that the Mulligan Law Firm, Plaintiffs' Lead Counsel, and Guidant's attorneys will receive a copy of this letter. By this letter, I am also giving those attorneys one week to support or oppose the motion by electronically filing their statement and mailing a copy of their statement to you. By this letter, I am also requesting that the Mulligan Law Firm verify that you have received a copy of this letter.

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After I receive the responses to the motion, if any, I will either rule on the motion based on the papers submitted or schedule a telephone conference to discuss the motion.

Very truly yours,

s/Donovan W. Frank

DONOVAN W. FRANK
Judge of United States District Court

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