

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
DISTRICT OF MINNESOTA**

In re: GUIDANT CORP. IMPLANTABLE  
DEFIBRILLATORS PRODUCTS  
LIABILITY LITIGATION

MDL No. 05-1708 (DWF/AJB)

This Document Relates to:

James W. Bell; Pat A. Bell; Herschel Bissent;  
Louvenia A. Bissent; Clarence D. Bray;  
Kathryn C. Bray; Kathleen M. Butts; David  
Butts; James E. Chapman; Ina J. Chapman;  
Lonnie A. Dasher; Shirley Dasher; Walter H.  
Farwell; Jackson L. Harnage; Carl R.  
Johnson; Alice C. Johnson; Terry J. Johnson;  
Michela Johnson; Janet Meier; Edward O.  
Messel; Lavina Messel; Michael D. Morrill;  
Annette G. Puller; Vernon E. Puller, Jr.;  
Miles S. Schlapik; Jucelia Schlapik; Alan D.  
Schwartz; Janice E. Schwartz; Dennis J.  
Tonetti; Howard Van Siclén; and Elizabeth  
Van Siclén,

Plaintiffs,

v. Civil No. 07-3237 (DWF/AJB)

Guidant Corporation, Guidant Sales  
Corporation, Cardiac Pacemakers Inc., and  
Boston Scientific Corporation,

Defendants.

(as to Plaintiff James E. Chapman only)

**ORDER**

Plaintiff James E. Chapman filed his Complaint on May 24, 2007, in United States District Court, Middle District of Florida. His case was thereafter transferred to this Court from the Judicial Panel on Multidistrict Litigation. Plaintiff James E. Chapman passed away on July 20, 2007. Pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 25, Ina J. Chapman now seeks an order from this Court substituting herself, in her capacity as Personal Representative of the Estate of James Edward Chapman, as the Plaintiff in this action acting on behalf of the Estate of James Edward Chapman and all of its survivors. Having considered the submissions and reviewed the procedural history of the file, **IT IS HEREBY ORDERED:**

1. Ina J. Chapman's Motion for Substitution of Parties (MDL No. 05-1708 (DWF/AJB), Doc. No. 2641)<sup>1</sup> is **GRANTED**.

2. Ina J. Chapman, in her capacity as Personal Representative of the Estate of James Edward Chapman, shall be substituted for James E. Chapman.

Dated: March 14, 2008

s/Donovan W. Frank  
DONOVAN W. FRANK  
Judge of United States District Court

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<sup>1</sup> Counsel for Plaintiff filed the Motion for Substitution of Parties only in the master case. They should have filed the motion in both the original case Civil No. 07-3237 (DWF/AJB) and in the master case MDL No. 05-1708 (DWF/AJB).