

**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:

Lawrence Norman,

Plaintiff,

v. Civil No. 06-3592 (DWF/AJB)

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

Defendants.

ORDER

Plaintiff Lawrence Norman, deceased, filed his Complaint on July 14, 2005, in the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Louisiana. His case was thereafter transferred to this Court from the Judicial Panel on Multidistrict Litigation.

Plaintiff Lawrence Norman passed away on March 16, 2008. Pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 25(a)(1), Plaintiff's surviving spouse, Mildred Ailene Norman, by and through counsel, now seeks an order from this Court substituting Mildred Ailene Norman, surviving spouse of Lawrence Norman, as the proper party-Plaintiff in this action. Having considered the submissions and reviewed the procedural history of the file, **IT IS HEREBY ORDERED:**

1. Mildred Ailene Norman's (surviving spouse of Plaintiff Lawrence Norman) Motion for Substitution of Party (MDL No. 05-1708 (DWF/AJB), Doc. No. 2838).¹ is **GRANTED**.

2. Mildred Ailene Norman, surviving spouse of Lawrence Norman, shall be substituted for Plaintiff Lawrence Norman, deceased, in the above-referenced matter.

Dated: August 26, 2008

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

¹ Counsel for Plaintiff filed the Motion for Substitution of Party only in the master case (MDL No. 05-1708 (DWF/AJB)). The motion should also have been filed in the individual case, Civ. No. 06-3592 (DWF/AJB).