

**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:

Joseph Boudreaux,

Plaintiff,

v. Civil No. 06-4635 (DWF/AJB)

Boston Scientific Corporation, Guidant Sales
Corporation, and Guidant Puerto Rico Sales,

Defendants.

ORDER

On June 19, 2008, Plaintiff's counsel, Clay Dugas & Associates, filed a motion to withdraw as counsel stating that there had been a breakdown of the attorney-client relationship, the details of which could not be disclosed because of attorney-client privilege. On June 23, 2008, the Court's staff contacted Plaintiff's counsel and instructed them that their motion was insufficient and needed to be refiled. The Court also contacted Plaintiff's counsel by e-mail on July 1, 2007 and August 20, 2007. To date, the Court has received no response from Plaintiff's counsel.

Motions for Withdrawal of Counsel Without Substitution "may be granted only by a motion made before the Court, for *good cause shown*." D. Minn. L.R. 83.7(c)

(emphasis added). The Court has reviewed Plaintiff's counsel's motion and concluded that it does not establish good cause as required by Local Rule 83.7(c).

Accordingly, **IT IS HEREBY ORDERED** that:

1. The Application to Withdraw as Counsel of Record (Civ. No. 06-4635 (DWF/AJB), Doc. No. 3) is **DENIED WITHOUT PREJUDICE**.

Dated: September 8, 2008

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