

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
DISTRICT OF MINNESOTA**

In re: CHANGE HEALTHCARE, INC.
CUSTOMER DATA SECURITY
BREACH LITIGATION

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MDL No. 24-3108 (DWF/DJF)

PRETRIAL ORDER NO. 35
(RE: Attorney Appearances)

The Court has received numerous filings noticing appearances of attorneys. As discussed at the status conference held March 24, 2026, the Court seeks to clarify the process and avoid further confusion. (*See* Doc. No. 540.)

Per Pretrial Order No. 1, noticing attorney appearances on the MDL docket for underlying cases is proper. (Doc. No. 54 ¶ 9.) Any such notice should include the District of Minnesota case number in the heading in addition to the MDL case number. (*See id.* ¶ 6.)

A notice of appearance is not the proper vehicle for lead counsel appointments. Per Pretrial Order No. 3, each lead counsel appointment is personal. (Doc. No. 83 ¶ 10.) An attorney seeking to join, leave, or otherwise amend a lead counsel position must seek approval of the Court by filing a motion. (*See id.*) Moving forward, the Court will strike any filing that does not comply with these instructions. However, in the interests of efficiency, the Court will accept all filings up to this point and will issue an amended Pretrial Order No. 3, (*see* Doc. Nos. 83, 477), reflecting the attorneys who filed a notice of appearance regarding a lead counsel position.

Based on the foregoing and the record in this case, **IT IS HEREBY ORDERED** that:

1. Attorneys Joseph J. Cavanaugh (Doc. No. [181]), Peter H. Walsh (Doc. No. [182]), Consuela M. Abotsi-Kowu (Doc. No. [270]), Ariana B. Kiener (Doc. No. [304]), Michael M. Maddigan (Doc. No. [376]), Stefon J. David (Doc. No. [393]), Marika K. O'Connor Grant (Doc. No. [431]), Ethan M. Lange (Doc. No. [535]), and Joseph C. Hashmall (Doc. No. [636]) will be added to the leadership structure.¹
2. An amended Pretrial Order No. 3 reflecting those changes is forthcoming.
3. The Clerk of Court is directed to update the leadership on the MDL docket accordingly.

Dated: July 7, 2026

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

¹ Katherine Rath's will not be added because her notice of appearance (Doc. No. 305) was withdrawn (Doc. No. 637).