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RE: Human Interest Findings Concerning *In re: Zimmer Durom Hip Cup Product Liability Litigation* (MDL 2158)

Memorandum

Below is a synopsis of the relevant news stories and internet hits concerning participants in the *In re: Zimmer Durom Hip Cup Product Liability Litigation* (MDL 2158):

There was very little to find in the way of mainstream media stories about victims or parties to the Zimmer Durom Cup litigation. There are dozens of hits from law firm websites that passingly mention victims but nothing that I thought was even remotely interesting. I have included an example of one of these kinds of law-firm website stories in this memo.

1. A website called injurylawyer-news.com described a victim of the Zimmer hip implant who suffered from the effects of the faulty devices. She ultimately was required to have two revision surgeries and suffers from severe pain and a loss of functionality.
 - a. There are dozens more short blurbs like this on various firm websites (or websites that appear independent but are actually fronts for law firms—like drugwatch.com)
 - b. Source: <http://injurylawyer-news.com/2013/06/new-zimmer-durom-cup-hip-lawsuit-join-federal-mdl>

2. This NY Time article briefly mentions Dr. Lawrence Dorr, a physician who first raised the alarm about the defective hip implant and who actively urged his colleagues to stop using it.

a. <http://www.nytimes.com/2008/07/24/business/24hip.html>

3. This is another NY Times article that mentions Dr. Dorr and his criticism of Zimmer's Durom hip implants. Although the article is mostly about another doctor who criticized Zimmer knee replacements, it drew the connection with Dr. Dorr because both physicians were prior Zimmer consultants who turned on their employer.

a. Source:

http://www.nytimes.com/2010/06/20/business/20knee.html?pagewanted=all&_r=0