

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE Northern District of Illinois – CM/ECF NextGen 1.7.1.1  
Eastern Division**

In RE: Hair Relaxer Marketing, Sales Practices, And  
Products Liability Litigation, et al.

Plaintiff,

v.

Case No.:  
1:23-cv-00818  
Honorable Mary M.  
Rowland

L'Oreal USA, Inc, et al.

Defendant.

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**NOTIFICATION OF DOCKET ENTRY**

This docket entry was made by the Clerk on Tuesday, May 2, 2023:

MINUTE entry before the Honorable Mary M. Rowland: The Court understands there may be some confusion regarding how new cases should be filed in this MDL proceeding. For clarity and for administrative efficiency, the Court clarifies that new cases must be filed separately. Any new complaint must be filed as a new case in the Northern District of Illinois, with a notation on this district's civil cover sheet indicating the relationship of the newly-filed case to this MDL proceeding. The newly-filed case will receive its own docket number (as a new "member case") and the Court's Clerk's Office will directly transfer the case to this MDL. At the bottom of the Civil Cover Sheet under Section IX, the attorney should list Judge Mary Rowland and that the case is related to master docket number 23 CV 0818. In filing a new complaint, plaintiffs should review and comply with the Court's Direct Filing Order, Case Management Order No. 2 (Dkt. 56). The caption formatting and other requirements are set forth in that Direct Filing Order, CMO 2. In addition, as set forth in the Direct Filing Order, all plaintiffs directly filing in the MDL are required to pay the standard New Action Filing Fee to initiate the case, but the association of local counsel for purposes of filing and or litigation, including direct filing, is not required. The Court appreciates Plaintiffs' Liaison Counsel raising this as well via email to the Court's chambers. Plaintiffs'; liaison counsel should send a note to all filing firms to inform them of this order. Finally, if Plaintiffs' liaison counsel believes amendment to CMO 2 would be beneficial in light of this clarification, parties should confer and submit to the Court's proposed order box a proposed revised CMO 2. Mailed notice. (dm, )

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