

**UNITED STATES JUDICIAL PANEL
on
MULTIDISTRICT LITIGATION**

**IN RE: GENERAL MOTORS LLC
IGNITION SWITCH LITIGATION**

MDL No. 2543

TRANSFER ORDER

Before the Panel:* Plaintiff in the action listed on Schedule A moves under Panel Rule 7.1 to vacate our order conditionally transferring the action to MDL No. 2543. Defendant General Motors LLC opposes the motion to vacate.

After considering the argument of counsel, we find this action involves common questions of fact with the actions transferred to MDL No. 2543, and that transfer under 28 U.S.C. § 1407 will serve the convenience of the parties and witnesses and promote the just and efficient conduct of the litigation. Plaintiff does not dispute that, like many of the already-centralized actions, this action involves factual questions arising from an alleged defect in certain General Motors vehicles that causes the vehicle's ignition switch to move unintentionally from the "run" position to the "accessory" or "off" position. *See In re: General Motors LLC Ignition Switch Litig.*, 26 F. Supp. 3d 1390, 1391 (J.P.M.L. 2014).

In support of the motion to vacate, plaintiff argues that federal subject matter jurisdiction is lacking, and plaintiff's motion to remand to state court is pending. The Panel has held that jurisdictional issues do not present an impediment to transfer, as plaintiff can present these arguments to the transferee judge.¹ *See, e.g., In re: Prudential Ins. Co. of Am. Sales Practices Litig.*, 170 F. Supp. 2d 1346, 1347-48 (J.P.M.L. 2001).

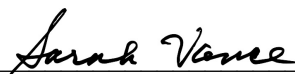
* Judge Lewis A. Kaplan took no part in the decision of this matter. Additionally, certain Panel members who could be members of the putative classes in this docket have renounced their participation in these classes and have participated in the decision.

¹ Moreover, under Panel Rule 2.1(d), the pendency of a conditional transfer order does not limit the pretrial jurisdiction of the court in which the subject action is pending. Between the date a remand motion is filed and the date that transfer of the action to the MDL is finalized, a court generally has adequate time to rule on a remand motion if it chooses to do so.

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IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that the action listed on Schedule A is transferred to the Southern District of New York and, with the consent of that court, assigned to the Honorable Jesse M. Furman for inclusion in the coordinated or consolidated pretrial proceedings.

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Sarah S. Vance
Chair

Marjorie O. Rendell
Ellen Segal Huvelle
Catherine D. Perry

Charles R. Breyer
R. David Proctor

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SCHEDULE A

District of Connecticut

SYNOTT v. GENERAL MOTORS LLC, ET AL., C.A. No. 3:17-00098