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## ***IN RE: Actos (Pioglitazone) Products Liability Litigation***

### **United States District Court for the Western District of Louisiana**

#### **The Honorable Rebecca F. Doherty, Presiding.**

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On December 29, 2011, the United States Judicial Panel on Multidistrict Litigation transferred 11 civil action(s) to the United States District Court for the Western District of Louisiana for coordinated or consolidated pretrial proceedings pursuant to 28 U.S.C. 1407, assigned to the Honorable Rebecca F. Doherty.

Each of these actions alleges claims arising from the use of Actos, a prescription medication approved for use in the treatment of type 2 diabetes. Plaintiffs allege that individuals who use Actos face an increased risk of developing bladder cancer. Plaintiffs further allege that the defendants concealed their knowledge of this risk and failed to provide adequate warnings to consumers and the health care community. Defendants deny all allegations of fault.

[LETTER TO COUNSEL - from the HONORABLE REBECCA F. DOHERTY, U. S. DISTRICT JUDGE.](#) [2]

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