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The Honorable M. Hope Blackley  
Clerk of Court, Spartanburg County  
180 Magnolia Street  
Spartanburg, South Carolina 29302

RE: State of South Carolina ex rel. Alan Wilson, in his capacity as Attorney General of the State of South Carolina v. Ortho-McNeil-Janssen Pharmaceuticals, Inc. f/k/a Janssen Pharmaceutica, Inc., and/or Janssen, L.P. and Johnson & Johnson, Inc.

Dear Ms. Blackley:

This is to advise that the above-referenced matter has been fully resolved and that the Judgment in this matter, including all fees, costs, and interest, has been satisfied.

Specifically, the State has received \$124,324,700.00 in complete satisfaction of the Judgment. This is the amount that the South Carolina Supreme Court, in its decision of July 8, 2015, awarded the State. With respect to the interest and costs, we have resolved this issue without a protracted court proceeding, expected to last as long as two years. Such litigation would, of course, further drive up attorneys fees.

Janssen pointed to due process claims and other arguments with respect to the accumulated interest, which, had it become litigation, could have dragged on through trial level and appellate level proceedings. The result is that the State receives its money now, as opposed to years from now. Also important is that the resolved interest on the Judgment will be used to pay the State's private counsels' attorney fees and costs for their hard work for the last nine years so that all of the Judgment principal will be sent to the State's General Fund.

We believe this final resolution is an excellent one for the State in that it puts this long and difficult litigation, lasting more than nine years, to rest. Moreover, the resolution avoids further protracted litigation.

Sincerely,

Alan Wilson  
Attorney General