

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEVADA

HALLE JACKSON, A MINOR, BY AND
THROUGH HER PARENT AND NEXT
FRIEND MICHELLE TORREZ,

Appellant,

vs.

JOHNSON & JOHNSON, INC.; AND
JANSSEN PHARMACEUTICA, INC.,

Respondents.

No. 44820

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CLERK OF SUPREME COURT
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ORDER OF AFFIRMANCE


This is an appeal in a products liability case wherein the district court granted summary judgment in favor of Johnson & Johnson, Inc. and Janssen Pharmaceutica, Inc. Eighth Judicial District Court, Clark County; Jackie Glass, Judge.


Appellant Halle Jackson, a minor through her parent and next friend, Michelle Torres, contends that the district court erred in disqualifying her expert witness, Dr. Irwin Weinreb, and granting summary judgment in favor of Johnson & Johnson. We disagree. After carefully reviewing the record and briefs on appeal, we conclude that the district court did not err in disqualifying Dr. Weinreb because he sought to opine on matters outside of his field of expertise.¹ Further, Jackson failed

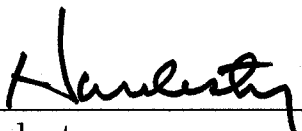
¹See Griffin v. Rockwell International, Inc., 96 Nev. 910, 910, 620 P.2d 862, 863 (1980).

to set forth specific facts demonstrating a genuine issue as to whether Propulsid caused her health problems.² Accordingly, we

ORDER the judgment of the district court AFFIRMED.³


_____, J.
Maupin


_____, J.
Gibbons


_____, J.
Hardesty

cc: Honorable Jackie Glass, District Judge
Susan Holland Johnson, Settlement Judge
Alan S. Levin
Morris Pickering & Peterson/Las Vegas
Clark County Clerk

²Id. at 911, 620 P.2d at 863; Wood v. Safeway, Inc., 121 Nev. ___, ___, 121 P.3d 1026, 1031 (2005).

³While we encourage district court judges to participate in settlement conferences, we caution the judges against engaging in private settlement caucuses with the parties in matters over which they are assigned to preside. In this, we note that any error in this regard is harmless.