## <u>Drug Injury Watch: NuvaRing: Merck Updates On The Number Of</u> <u>Cases Filed Against Drug Company As Of June 30, 2013</u>

## Federal Court NuvaRing MDL Developments: Judge Moves First Bellwether Trial Date To January 2014 With Mediator Involvement Mentioned

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**SUMMARY**: From Merck's Quarterly Report for the period ended June 30, 2013, at page 19, we get this NuvaRing lawsuits update:

As of June 30, 2013, there were approximately 1,500 NuvaRing cases. Of these cases, approximately 1,285 are or will be pending in the NuvaRing MDL in the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Missouri before [NuvaRing MDL] Judge Rodney Sippel, and approximately 200 are pending in coordinated proceedings in the Bergen County Superior Court of New Jersey before Judge Brian R. Martinotti....

According to the Merck 2012 Annual Report / Form 10-K (PDF), at page 110, there were approximately 1,315 NuvaRing cases filed against Merck at the start of January 2013, with about 1,105 of those NuvaRing lawsuits being part of the federal court NuvaRing MDL.

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