

UNITED STATES JUDICIAL PANEL ON MULTIDISTRICT LITIGATION

In re: Blue Cross Blue Shield Antitrust Litigation

MDL No. 2406, Conditional Transfer Order (CTO-49) · No. MDL No. 2406; CTO-49 · Decided March 30, 2026

SUMMARY

This Conditional Transfer Order (CTO-49) of the United States Judicial Panel on Multidistrict Litigation transfers a tag-along action to the Northern District of Alabama for coordinated or consolidated pretrial proceedings in MDL No. 2406. The action is assigned, with the court’s consent, to Judge Anna M. Manasco, subject to the order’s seven-day opposition and filing conditions.

CASE DETAILS

COURT	United States Judicial Panel on Multidistrict Litigation
JURISDICTION	United States Judicial Panel on Multidistrict Litigation
DECIDED	March 30, 2026
DOCKET	MDL No. 2406; CTO-49
DISPOSITION	other
PROCEDURAL POSTURE	The Judicial Panel on Multidistrict Litigation issued a conditional transfer order transferring a tag-along action to the United States District Court for the Northern District of Alabama for coordinated or consolidated pretrial proceedings in MDL No. 2406.
PRECEDENTIAL VALUE	procedural order
PARTIES	Healthcare Justice Coalition, LLC et al. v. Blue Cross Blue Shield Association et al.

TOPICS

- civil procedure
- commercial litigation
- insurance

PRACTICE AREAS

- multidistrict litigation
- antitrust
- insurance
- civil procedure

QUESTIONS PRESENTED

1. Whether the scheduled tag-along action should be transferred to the Northern District of Alabama for coordinated or consolidated pretrial proceedings under 28 U.S.C. § 1407.

2. Whether the conditional transfer should be subject to a seven-day stay during which a party may file a notice of opposition.

HOLDINGS

1. The scheduled action is conditionally transferred to the United States District Court for the Northern District of Alabama for coordinated or consolidated pretrial proceedings because it involves questions of fact common to actions previously transferred to that district.
2. The conditional transfer order does not become effective until filed with the clerk of the Northern District of Alabama, and transmittal is stayed for seven days; a timely notice of opposition continues the stay until further order of the Panel.

FACTUAL BACKGROUND

The action listed on the schedule was identified as involving factual questions common to actions already centralized in the Blue Cross Blue Shield antitrust multidistrict litigation. The Northern District of Alabama consented to the transfer and assignment of the action to Judge Anna M. Manasco.

PROCEDURAL HISTORY

The Panel previously transferred actions to the Northern District of Alabama under 28 U.S.C. § 1407 and reported that additional actions had subsequently been transferred there. The Panel determined that the scheduled action involved questions of fact common to the previously transferred actions and conditionally transferred it to the Northern District of Alabama, with the consent of that court, for assignment to Judge Anna M. Manasco.

DISPOSITION

other

CASES CITED

- 908 F. Supp. 2d 1373 (J.P.M.L. 2012)

OPINION

UNITED STATES JUDICIAL PANEL on MULTIDISTRICT LITIGATION IN RE: BLUE CROSS BLUE SHIELD ANTITRUST LITIGATION MDL No. 2406 (SEE ATTACHED SCHEDULE) CONDITIONAL TRANSFER ORDER (CTO —49) On December 12, 2012, the Panel transferred 2 civil action(s) to the United States District Court for the Northern District of Alabama for coordinated or consolidated pretrial proceedings pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1407.

See 908 F.Supp.2d 1373 (J.P.M.L. 2012). Since that time, 88 additional action(s) have been transferred to the Northern District of Alabama. With the consent of that court, all such actions have been assigned to the Honorable Anna M. Manasco. It appears that the action(s) on this

conditional transfer order involve questions of fact that are common to the actions previously transferred to the Northern District of Alabama and assigned to Judge Manasco.

Pursuant to Rule 7.1 of the Rules of Procedure of the United States Judicial Panel on Multidistrict Litigation, the action(s) on the attached schedule are transferred under 28 U.S.C. § 1407 to the Northern District of Alabama for the reasons stated in the order of December 12, 2012, and, with the consent of that court, assigned to the Honorable Anna M. Manasco.

This order does not become effective until it is filed in the Office of the Clerk of the United States District Court for the Northern District of Alabama. The transmittal of this order to said Clerk shall be stayed 7 days from the entry thereof. If any party files a notice of opposition with the Clerk of the Panel within this 7-day period, the stay will be continued until further order of the Panel.

FOR THE PANEL: pending atts imate ——. stay is lifted. ab, oll. q. hochent Mar 16, 2026
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