Statement on Moline Complaint

May 31, 2023 – Statement from Erik Haas, Worldwide Vice President of Litigation, Johnson & Johnson:

We filed the new action to address the grave harm inflected by the disparaging publications of Dr. Jacqueline Moline, and to shine a light on and put an end to the cycle of widespread deception she engendered. The thousands of talc claims asserted against our Company are premised on "junk science" fabricated by so-called "experts" who contrive baseless opinions that plaintiff lawyers use to confuse juries and secure extreme verdicts, which in turn, funds the expert's compensation. Dr. Moline is one such expert, whose willful disparagement of talc products in the guise of an "expert" publication recently was revealed by a U.S. federal court, to allow other parties to seek recourse. We do so now, as Dr. Moline's narrative is false, and the safety of our cosmetic talc products is supported by decades of evidence by independent experts, governments and regulatory bodies.