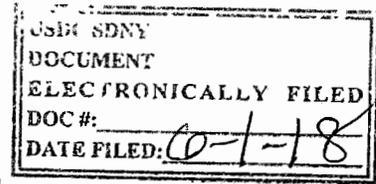


UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

----- X
JUDITH DESMET,

Plaintiff,



-against-

17-cv-7371 (LAK)

INTERCEPT PHARMACEUTICALS GROUP, INC., et al.,

Defendants.
----- X

ORDER

LEWIS A. KAPLAN, *District Judge.*

There have been a number of competing motions for appointment as lead plaintiff and approval of proposed lead counsel in these securities class actions, some of which remain pending and one of which has been withdrawn but is the subject of a motion to withdraw the withdrawal and to push once again for appointment as lead plaintiff, etc. The litigation of these motions has revealed behavior by some of the counsel that is unseemly if not worse and that clearly suggests to the undersigned that the counsel involved should not serve as lead counsel. *See* DI 25, 31, 38.

In all the circumstances, the motion of Hou Liu and Amy Fu to serve as lead plaintiffs and to approve their selection of Richard Gonnello of Faruqui & Faruqui as lead counsel [DI 14] is granted. All other pending motions in this case are denied and the Clerk shall terminate them.

SO ORDERED.

Dated: June 1, 2018

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Lewis A. Kaplan".

Lewis A. Kaplan
United States District Judge