

SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY
LAW DIVISION: MIDDLESEX COUNTY
ASBESTOS LITIGATION

Docket No: L-3376-17 (AS)

Civil Action

CASE MANAGEMENT ORDER VI

MARY FLETCHER (Estate of Gail Welch), <i>Plaintiff(s),</i> vs. BRENNTAG NORTH AMERICA, INC., et al <i>Defendant(s).</i>
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This matter coming in for a Case Management Conference before Special Master Agatha N. Dzikiewicz and the following parties on September 6, 2019:

FIRM	ATTORNEY	CLIENT
Simon Greenstone	Joseph J. Mandia	Plaintiff(s) <i>co-counsel with Szaferman Lakind</i>
Foley & Mansfield	Stephen Nouakidis	Avon Products
Manning Gross Massenberg	Syed K. Rizvi	Chanel, Inc.
McCarter & English	Amanda M. Munsie	Johnson & Johnson; Johnson & Johnson Consumer
McGivney Kluger	Wendy Kagan	Whittaker Clark & Daniels
Rawle Henderson	Brian Lowenberg	Cyprus Amax Minerals Co.
Reilly McDevitt	Joshua Sonstein	Charles B. Chrystal

IT IS on this 9th day of September 2019, effective from the conference date;

ORDERED as follows:

Counsel receiving this Order through computerized electronic medium (E-Mail) shall be deemed by the court to have received a copy of the filed original court document. Any document served pursuant to this Order shall be deemed to be served by mail pursuant to R.1:5-2.

Any jurisdictional motions must be filed in accordance with the Court Rules or be waived.

Any *forum non conveniens* motions must be filed as soon as practicable; once sufficient discovery is conducted so that the motion may be properly brought.

DISCOVERY

November 15, 2019 Fact discovery, including depositions, shall be completed by this date. Plaintiff's counsel shall contact the Special Master within one week of this deadline if all fact discovery is not completed.

November 15, 2019 Depositions of corporate representatives shall be completed by this date.

EARLY SETTLEMENT

March 27, 2020 Settlement demands shall be served on all counsel and the Special Master by this date.

MEDICAL EXPERT REPORT

March 13, 2020 Defendants shall identify its medical experts and serve medical reports, if any, by this date. In addition, defendants shall notify plaintiff's counsel (as well as all counsel of record) of a joinder in an expert medical defense by this date.

LIABILITY EXPERT REPORTS

January 17, 2020 Plaintiff shall identify its liability experts and serve liability expert reports by this date or waive any opportunity to rely on liability expert testimony.

March 13, 2020 Defendants shall identify its liability experts and serve liability expert reports, if any, by this date or waive any opportunity to rely on liability expert testimony.

SUMMARY JUDGMENT MOTION PRACTICE

March 27, 2020 Plaintiff's counsel shall advise, in writing, of intent not to oppose motions by this date.

April 10, 2020 Summary judgment motions shall be filed no later than this date.

May 8, 2020 Last return date for summary judgment motions.

EXPERT DEPOSITIONS

June 5, 2020 Expert depositions shall be completed by this date. To the extent that plaintiff and defendant generic experts have been deposed before, the parties seeking that deposition in this case must file an application before the Special Master and demonstrate the necessity for that deposition. To the extent possible, documents requested in a deposition notice directed to an expert shall be produced three days in advance of the expert deposition. The expert shall not be required to produce documents that are readily accessible in the public domain.

PRE-TRIAL AND TRIAL

January 31, 2020 The settlement conference previously scheduled on this date is **cancelled**.

May 6, 2020 @ 10:00am Settlement conference. All defense counsel shall appear with authority to negotiate settlement and have a representative authorized to negotiate settlement available by phone. Any request to be excused from the settlement conference shall be made to the Special Master no later than 4:00pm of the day prior to the conference.

June 29, 2020 Trial Date. *(The March 2, 2020 trial is adjourned to this date.)*

Plaintiff(s) counsel shall serve a copy of this Order upon any additional counsel immediately upon receipt.

/s/ Ana C. Viscomi
ANA C. VISCOMI, J.S.C.

cc: Clerk, Mass Tort