

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

ALBANO JACINTO,	<i>Plaintiff(s),</i>
vs.	
3M COMPANY, et al	<i>Defendant(s).</i>

Docket No: **L-624-17 (AS)**

Civil Action

CASE MANAGEMENT ORDER I

This matter coming in for a Case Management Conference before Special Master Agatha N. Dzikiewicz and the following parties on April 24, 2017:

FIRM	ATTORNEY	CLIENT
Levy Konigsberg	Clark Rosengarten	Plaintiff(s)
Caruso Smith	Marcia DePolo	CertainTeed
DLA Piper	Stephen H. Barrett	BASF Catalyst LLC
Goldfein & Joseph	Madhurika Jeremiah	ACL; Bell
Hardin Kundla	Nicea D'Annunzio	Calon Insulation
Hoagland Longo	Jillian Madison	Whittaker Clark & Daniels
Lavin O'Neil	Catherine Brunermer	3M Co.
Marshall Dennehey	Paul Johnson	Insulation Materials Corp.
McGivney Kluger	Joel Clark	Superior Materials
O'Toole Scrivo	Gary Van Lieu	Vanderbilt Minerals
Rawle & Henderson	Christina A. Gonzales	Imerys Talc America, Inc.
Styliades Mezzanotte	Patricia Lyons	HM Royal
Vasios Kelly	Thomas J. Kelly, Jr.	Bird, Inc.

IT IS on this 24<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2017, 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.

Defense counsel shall notify plaintiff's counsel within thirty (30) days of the date of this Order if their client was incorrectly named in the Complaint. Counsel may be barred from raising this defense at a later time for failure to comply.

**DISCOVERY**

April 28, 2017                      Plaintiff shall propound supplemental interrogatories and document requests by this date.

May 31, 2017                      Defendants shall serve answers to supplemental interrogatories and document requests by this date.

- April 28, 2017 Defendants shall propound supplemental interrogatories and document requests by this date.
- May 31, 2017 Plaintiff shall serve answers to supplemental interrogatories and document requests by this date.
- July 31, 2017 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.
- August 31, 2017 Depositions of corporate representatives shall be completed by this date.

### **EARLY SETTLEMENT**

- September 15, 2017 Settlement demands shall be served on all counsel and the Special Master by this date.

### **SUMMARY JUDGMENT MOTION PRACTICE**

- September 15, 2017 Plaintiff's counsel shall advise, in writing, of intent not to oppose motions by this date.
- September 29, 2017 Summary judgment motions shall be filed no later than this date.
- October 27, 2017 Last return date for summary judgment motions.

### **MEDICAL DEFENSE**

- September 8, 2017 Plaintiff shall serve medical expert reports by this date.
- September 8, 2017 Upon request by defense counsel, plaintiff is to arrange for the transfer of pathology specimens and x-rays, if any, by this date.
- November 17, 2017 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**

- September 8, 2017 Plaintiff shall identify its liability experts and serve liability expert reports or a certified expert statement by this date or waive any opportunity to rely on liability expert testimony.
- November 17, 2017 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.

### **ECONOMIST EXPERT REPORTS**

- September 8, 2017 Plaintiff shall identify its expert economists and serve expert economist report(s), if any, by this date or waive any opportunity to rely on economic expert testimony.
- November 17, 2017 Defendants shall identify its expert economists and serve expert economist report(s), if any, by this date or waive any opportunity to rely on economic expert testimony.

**EXPERT DEPOSITIONS**

December 8, 2017      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**

December 7, 2017 @ 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.

January 8, 2018                      Pretrial Information Exchange submissions due.

January 16, 2018 (*Tuesday*)      **Trial-Ready** 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