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

DONNA ARVELO,

Plaintiff(s),

VS.

ASBESTOS CORPORATION LTD., et al Defendant(s). Docket No: L-588-17 (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 19, 2017*:

FIRM	ATTORNEY	CLIENT
Levy Konigsberg	Amber Long	Plaintiff(s)
	Daniel LaTerra	
Caruso Smith	Stacey Lee Trien	Union Carbide
Drinker Biddle	Jack N. Frost, Jr.	Johnson & Johnson
Goldberg Segalla	H. Lockwood Miller	Procter & Gamble
Goldfein & Joseph	Madhurika Jeremiah	ACL; Bell
Hoagland Longo	Alyssa DeFuria	Whittaker Clark & Daniels
Margolis Edelstein	Jeff Hall-Gale	Central Jersey Supply
Marks O'Neill	Sophia Turis	Superior Boiler Works; Nicholas Schwalje
McCarter & English	Christopher Rojao	General Dynamic Corp.
McElroy Deutsch	Michelle Hydrusko	Kuehne Co.
McGivney Kluger	Thomas McNulty	RE Carroll
O'Toole Scrivo	Gary Van Lieu	Colgate
Rawle & Henderson	David Samlin	Cyprus Amax Minerals; Imerys Talc America
Rivkin Radler	Alex Pappas	Helen of Troy
Segal McCambridge	William P. Perrelli	Chattem Inc.
Styliades Mezzanotte	Patricia Lyons	HM Royal

IT IS on this <u>21st</u> day of <u>April</u>, <u>2017</u>, 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.

## **DISCOVERY**

May 5, 2017 Defendants shall serve answers to standard interrogatories by this date.

May 19, 2017 Plaintiff shall propound supplemental interrogatories and document requests by this date.

June 23, 2017 Defendants shall serve answers to supplemental interrogatories and document requests by this date.

May 19, 2017	Defendants shall propound supplemental interrogatories and document requests by this date.
June 23, 2017	Plaintiff shall serve answers to supplemental interrogatories and document requests by this date.
August 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**

October 16, 2017 Settlement demands shall be served on all counsel and the Special Master by this date.

# SUMMARY JUDGMENT MOTION PRACTICE

September 22, 2017	Plaintiff's counsel shall advise, in writing, of intent not to oppose motions by this date.
October 6, 2017	Summary judgment motions shall be filed no later than this date.

Last return date for summary judgment motions. November 3, 2017

#### **MEDICAL DEFENSE**

September 1, 2017	Plaintiff shall serve medical expert reports by this date.
September 1, 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 15, 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 29, 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 15, 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 29, 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 15, 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.

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#### **EXPERT DEPOSITIONS**

December 15, 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 16, 2018 Pretrial Information Exchange submissions due.

January 22, 2018 **Trial-Ready** Date.

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

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

cc: Clerk, Mass Tort

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