

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

Docket No: L-7000-15 (AS)

PATRICIA CUPANO, vs. ASBESTOS CORPORATION LTD., et al	<i>Plaintiff(s),</i> <i>Defendant(s),</i>
ESTATE of CAROL VACCARELLE, vs. AW CHESTERTON CO., et al	<i>Plaintiff(s),</i> <i>Defendant(s)</i>

Docket No: L-3068-16 (AS)

Civil Action

CASE MANAGEMENT ORDER III

This matter coming in for a Case Management Conference before Special Master Agatha N. Dzikiewicz and the following parties on February 5, 2020:

FIRM	ATTORNEY	CLIENT
Cohen Placitella & Roth	William L. Kuzmin	Plaintiff(s)
Caruso Smith	Marcia DePolo	Union Carbide
Hardin Kundla	Cynthia Lee	Calon Insulation
Landman Corsi	Lorraine Belostock	Johansen
Margolis Edelstein	Nicholas Sulpzio	Woolsulate
McElroy Deutsch	Joseph D. Rasnek	Exxon Mobil Corp.
McGivney Kluger	Joel Clark Jennifer Hally	Raritan Supply; Leonard Buck Inc.; Brand Insulation; Kraemer Gunitite; Madsen & Howell; Safeguard; John Wallace; HM Royal
Pascarella DiVita	Robert W. Slomicz	Ingersoll Rand; Crane Co.
Rawle & Henderson	Sebastian Goldstein	Nicholas Schwalje Inc.
Tanenbaum Keale	Elizabeth Gee	Foster Wheeler

IT IS on this 6th day of **February 2020**, *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.

These matters are hereby consolidated for discovery, case management and trial.

DISCOVERY

March 16, 2020 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.

March 16, 2020 Depositions of corporate representatives shall be completed by this date.

EARLY SETTLEMENT

April 9, 2020 Settlement demands shall be served on all counsel and the Special Master by this date.

MEDICAL EXPERT REPORT

April 30, 2020 Plaintiff shall serve medical expert reports by this date.

April 30, 2020 Upon request by defense counsel, plaintiff is to arrange for the transfer of pathology specimens and x-rays, if any, by this date.

July 31, 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

April 30, 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.

July 31, 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

May 8, 2020 Plaintiff's counsel shall advise, in writing, of intent not to oppose motions by this date.

May 22, 2020 Summary judgment motions shall be filed no later than this date.

June 19, 2020 Last return date for summary judgment motions.

ECONOMIST EXPERT REPORTS

April 30, 2020 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.

July 31, 2020 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

August 28, 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

- May 13, 2020 The settlement conference previously scheduled on this date is **cancelled**.
- May 5, 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.
- August 13, 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.
- September 28, 2020 Trial-Ready Date. *(The July 13, 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