

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

Docket No: **L-7991-12 (AS)**

Civil Action

CASE MANAGEMENT ORDER IV

JAMES MELITSKI,
<i>Plaintiff(s),</i>
vs.
ASBESTOS CORP. LTD., et al
<i>Defendant(s).</i>

This matter coming in for a Case Management Conference before Special Master Agatha N. Dzikiewicz and the following parties on September 24, 2014:

FIRM	ATTORNEY	CLIENT
Wilentz Goldman & Spitzer	Philip Tortoreti	Plaintiff(s)
Chase Kurshan Herzfeld	Patrick Florentino	Volkswagen Group of America
Goldfein & Joseph	Gary Every	ACL; Bell
Hoagland Longo	Nora Grimbergen	Thul Auto Parts
Jones Law Office	Richard V. Jones	Metropolitan Life
McCarter & English	Jean Patterson	Fisher Scientific

IT IS on this 26th day of September, 2014 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

February 2, 2015 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.

February 2, 2015 Depositions of corporate representatives shall be completed by this date.

EARLY SETTLEMENT

December 17, 2014 The settlement conference previously scheduled on this date is **cancelled**.

March 2, 2015 Settlement demands shall be served on all counsel and the Special Master by this date.

SUMMARY JUDGMENT MOTION PRACTICE

March 27, 2015 Summary judgment motions shall be filed no later than this date.

April 24, 2015 Last return date for summary judgment motions.

MEDICAL DEFENSE

February 2, 2015 Plaintiff shall serve medical expert reports by this date.

February 2, 2015 Plaintiff is to arrange for the transfer of pathology specimens and x-rays, if any, by this date.

May 29, 2015 Defendants shall identify its medical experts and serve medical expert reports, if any, by this date.

LIABILITY EXPERT REPORTS

May 29, 2015 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.

June 30, 2015 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

May 29, 2015 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.

June 30, 2015 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

July 17, 2015 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

June 25, 2015 @ 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.

July 27, 2015

Trial Date. (*The January 5, 2015 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
Brody Deposition Services
Priority One