

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

Docket No: L-3702-18 (AS)

Civil Action

CASE MANAGEMENT ORDER I

PEDRO PRECIADO,	<i>Plaintiff(s),</i>
vs.	
JOHNSON & JOHNSON, 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 August 22, 2018:

FIRM	ATTORNEY	CLIENT
Levy Konigsberg	Daniel Weiss	Plaintiff(s)
Clyde & Co.	Kevin Turbert	Kolmar Laboratories
McCarter & English	Debra M. Perry	Johnson & Johnson; Johnson & Johnson Consumer
Rawle & Henderson	Brian Lowenberg	Imerys Talc America; Imerys USA; Imerys Talc Vermont

IT IS on this 22nd day of August, 2018, 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

- September 28, 2018 A limited deposition of the plaintiff shall be conducted by this date. It shall be limited to a direct exam as to product identification by counsel representing defendants impleaded into this matter after the plaintiff's deposition was originally taken. In the event additional product identification testimony is elicited, other counsel may cross-examine plaintiff. In addition, any counsel may inquire as to plaintiff's health status.
- September 14, 2018 Defendants shall serve answers to standard interrogatories by this date.
- September 28, 2018 Plaintiff shall propound supplemental interrogatories and document requests by this date.

November 2, 2018 Defendants shall serve answers to supplemental interrogatories and document requests by this date.

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November 2, 2018 Plaintiff shall serve answers to supplemental interrogatories and document requests by this date.

December 7, 2018 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.

December 7, 2018 Depositions of corporate representatives shall be completed by this date.

EARLY SETTLEMENT

March 15, 2019 Settlement demands shall be served on all counsel and the Special Master by this date.

SUMMARY JUDGMENT MOTION PRACTICE

January 18, 2019 Plaintiff's counsel shall advise, in writing, of intent not to oppose motions by this date.

February 1, 2019 Summary judgment motions shall be filed no later than this date.

March 1, 2019 Last return date for summary judgment motions.

MEDICAL DEFENSE

January 11, 2019 Plaintiff shall serve medical expert reports by this date.

January 11, 2019 Upon request by defense counsel, plaintiff is to arrange for the transfer of pathology specimens and x-rays, if any, by this date.

April 5, 2019 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 11, 2019 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.

April 5, 2019 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

January 11, 2019 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.

April 5, 2019 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

May 3, 2019 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

To be scheduled Settlement conference.

May 28, 2019 Pretrial Information Exchange submissions due.

June 3, 2019 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