

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

Docket No: **L-4564-14 (AS)**

Civil Action

CASE MANAGEMENT ORDER I

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| ROBERT & EILEEN ZAWACKI, <i>Plaintiff(s),</i> |
| vs. |
| AUGUST ARACE & SONS, 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 | Lynne Kizis Philip Tortoreti | Plaintiff(s) |
| Bucca & Campisano | Christine Bucca | IMO |
| Connell Foley | Richard Jagen | August Arace |
| Epstein Cohen Gilberti | Michael Gilberti | Crane Co. |
| Hack Piro | Robert Alencewicz | Johansen |
| Hardin Kundla | Nicea D'Annunzio | Calon Insulation |
| Hawkins Parnell | Roy Viola | Milwaukee Valve |
| Hoagland Longo | Nora Grimbergen | Goulds Pumps; Industrial Welding |
| Kent McBride | Ravi Shah | Binsky; TJ McGlone; Mooney |
| Landman Corsi | Elissa Regev | Sequoia Ventures, Inc. |
| Margolis Edelstein | J. Edmund Bryak | Woolsulate; Central Jersey Supply |
| Marks O'Neill | Paul Smyth | Nicholas Schwalje Inc. |
| McGivney Kluger | Caitlin Christie | Raritan Supply; Bergen Ind.; Madsen & Howell |
| Reilly Janiczek | Colleen Cavanaugh | ITT; Cleaver Brooks |
| Tierney Law Office | Michael O'Neill | Elizabeth Industrial Supply |
| Weiner Lesniak | Edward Seaver | Merck |

IT IS on this 25th 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.

Defense counsel shall notify plaintiffs' 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

November 14, 2014 Plaintiff shall serve answers to wrongful death interrogatories by this date.

November 28, 2014 Defendants shall serve answers to standard interrogatories by this date.

December 15, 2014 Plaintiff shall propound supplemental interrogatories and document requests by this date.

January 16, 2015 Defendants shall serve answers to supplemental interrogatories and document requests by this date.

December 15, 2014 Defendants shall propound supplemental interrogatories and document requests by this date.

January 16, 2015 Plaintiff shall serve answers to supplemental interrogatories and document requests by this date.

March 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.

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

EARLY SETTLEMENT

October 31, 2014 Settlement demands shall be served on all counsel and the Special Master by this date.

March 11, 2015 @ 10:00am Early 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.

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

November 14, 2014 Plaintiff shall serve executed medical authorizations by this date.

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

March 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. **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 1, 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.

May 29, 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

April 1, 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.

May 29, 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

June 15, 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

May 22, 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.

June 29, 2015 Trial 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