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BECKY SUE ASMUSSEN and JOHN
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Plaintiffs,

vs.

C. R. BARD, INC., BARD MEDICAL
DIVISION, a Division of C. R. Bard, Inc.,
BARD UROLOGICAL DIVISION, a Division
of Bard Medical Division, and JOHN DOES 1-
20,

Defendants.

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MARY F. THURBER, J.S.C.

SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY
LAW DIVISION, BERGEN COUNTY
DOCKET NO. L-17894-14
Civil Action
BARD Litigation, Case No. 292

MASTER CASE NO. BER-L-17717-14

**SCHEDULING ORDER PERTAINING
TO BELLWETHER CASES**

NORMA CRUZ,

Plaintiff,

vs.

C. R. BARD, INC., and JOHN DOES 1-20,

Defendants.

JANE GASPER and MATTHEW GASPER,

Plaintiffs,

vs.

C. R. BARD, INC., BARD MEDICAL
DIVISION, a Division of C. R. Bard, Inc.,
BARD UROLOGICAL DIVISION, a Division
of Bard Medical Division, and JOHN DOES 1-
20,

Defendants.

MARY GREEN,

Plaintiff,

vs.

C. R. BARD, et al., and JOHN DOES 1-20,

Defendants.

SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY
LAW DIVISION, BERGEN COUNTY
DOCKET NO. L-17504-14

Civil Action

BARD Litigation, Case No. 292

MASTER CASE NO. BER-L-17717-14

SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY
LAW DIVISION, BERGEN COUNTY
DOCKET NO. BER-L-3159-15

Civil Action

BARD Litigation, Case No. 292

MASTER CASE NO. BER-L-17717-14

SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY
LAW DIVISION, BERGEN COUNTY
DOCKET NO. BER-L-17671-14

Civil Action

BARD Litigation, Case No. 292

MASTER CASE NO. BER-L-17717-14

MARIA LANTIGUA,

Plaintiff,

vs.

C. R. BARD, et al., and JOHN DOES 1-20,

Defendants.

DIANE OLIVER and MICHAEL OLIVER,

Plaintiffs,

vs.

C. R. BARD, INC., BARD MEDICAL
DIVISION, a Division of C. R. Bard, Inc.,
BARD UROLOGICAL DIVISION, a Division
of Bard Medical Division, and JOHN DOES 1-
20,

Defendants.

SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY
LAW DIVISION, BERGEN COUNTY
DOCKET NO. BER-L-018313-14

Civil Action

BARD Litigation, Case No. 292

MASTER CASE NO. BER-L-17717-14

SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY
LAW DIVISION, BERGEN COUNTY
DOCKET NO. BER-L-880-15

Civil Action

BARD Litigation, Case No. 292

MASTER CASE NO. BER-L-17717-14

THIS MATTER having come before the Court after counsel met and conferred, and as a result agreed that the above cases would constitute the next pool of bellwether cases, and for good cause shown:

IT IS on this 19th day of October, 2018:

Pretrial Schedule

ORDERED that the parties will work cooperatively and in good faith to complete case specific discovery in connection with these cases by January 31, 2019.¹

¹ The parties reserve the right to take the depositions of non-party fact witnesses, including plaintiffs' family and friends, on a date closer to trial.

ORDERED that Plaintiffs' Initial General and Case Specific Expert Reports for the six (6) bellwether cases be served on or before February 28, 2019.

ORDERED that Defendants' General and Case Specific Expert Reports for the six (6) bellwether cases be served on or before March 29, 2019.

ORDERED that Expert Depositions in the six (6) bellwether cases shall be completed on or before April 30, 2019. The depositions of Plaintiffs' experts will take place prior to the depositions of defense experts. Furthermore, the parties shall not depose experts on general opinions previously covered in prior depositions either in the MDL or New Jersey State Court bellwether cases.

ORDERED that supplemental expert reports addressing documents, information, and testimony obtained after the deadlines for the service of initial expert reports shall be served in compliance with R. 4:17-7.

ORDERED that the Defendants shall notify the Court of their choice for the next trial case(s), which will include a defense pick or picks, subject to Judge Harz's ruling on the motion to consolidate, on or before April 12, 2019 (hereinafter "Trial Cases").

Trial Schedule for the Trial Cases

ORDERED that the trial schedule for the trial cases shall be addressed after Judge Harz's ruling on the motion to consolidate.

ORDERED that the parties shall meet and confer after the close of expert discovery to discuss the next case for trial.

ORDERED that plaintiffs' request to add McAllister, et al. v. C.R. Bard, Inc., et al. and John Does 1-20, Docket No. BER-L-018545-14 as a bellwether case is denied without prejudice.

DATED: ~~September~~ ^{October 19}, 2018



HONORABLE MARY F. THURBER, J.S.C.