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IN RE: PROPECIA® LITIGATION

SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY  
LAW DIVISION: MIDDLESEX COUNTY

CASE NO. 623

**CASE MANAGEMENT ORDER NO. 15**

THIS MATTER having come before the court at a case management conference on December 12, 2017, concerning the status of this litigation, and for good cause having been shown;

IT IS on this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of January, 2018, ORDERED as follows:

1. **Attorney Appearances:** Victoria Maniatis on behalf of Plaintiffs. Charles Morrow and Eileen Oakes Muskett on behalf of the Merck Defendants. Jennifer Suh on behalf of the Bosley Medical Group.

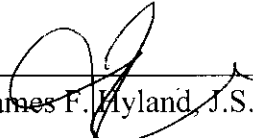
2. **Status of Motions to Withdraw as Counsel/Dismissals:** There are 12 motions to withdraw as counsel that have been granted but the 30 days to enter an appearance will expire on December 18, 2017 and January 6, 2018. If appearances are not made in those cases by that time, those cases will be dismissed without prejudice. There are 84 cases that have been dismissed without prejudice and if plaintiff takes no further action those cases may be dismissed with prejudice as follows: one on January 18, 2018; sixty-four on February 8, 2018 and; four on February 12, 2018. The court provided the attorneys with a list of the cases that will be subject to dismissal without and with prejudice on the aforementioned dates.

3. **Update on New Jersey Case Work Up:** The currently active defense Bellwether cases are *Michael LaPoint v. Merck Sharpe & Dohme Corp.*, MID-L-2355-13, *Leo Gau v. Merck*

*Sharpe & Dohme Corp.*, MID-L- and the currently active plaintiff Bellwether cases are *Kyle Rowan v. Merck Sharpe & Dohme Corp.*, MID-L-3288-12 *Julian King v. Merck Sharp & Dohme Corp.*, MID-L-2653-12 and *Nathaniel Kaufman v. Merck Sharp & Dohme Corp.*, MID-L-6548-12 and *Zane Harvey v. Merck Sharpe & Dohme Corp.*, MID-L-5196-12. Merck may select two additional Bellwether case selections once the plaintiffs' motions to withdraw are completed. The current deadline for Merck to select these two cases is February 20, 2018.

3. **MDL:** Defendant's four Summary Judgment and four Daubert motions are currently pending before the court and plaintiffs have until December 27, 2017 to submit opposition.

4. The Court scheduled the next case management conference for February 27, 2017 at 10:00 am.

  
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James F. Hyland, J.S.C.