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Carol E. Higbee, P.J.C.

IN RE: LEVAQUIN LITIGATION	SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY LAW DIVISION: ATLANTIC COUNTY CASE NO. 286 **CASE MANAGEMENT ORDER NO. 20**

THIS MATTER having come before the Court during a Case Management Conference on July 19, 2012, and all parties having been represented by Counsel, and for good cause shown,

IT IS on this 8 day of July, 2012, **ORDERED**, as follows:

1. Richard D. Meadow, Esq. of the Lanier Law Firm, and Michael A. London, Esq., of the law firm of Douglas & London. P.C., having been appointed co-liaison counsel for Plaintiffs pursuant to this Court's Case Management Order No. 2, entered on July 24, 2009, hereby are relieved as Plaintiffs' co-liaison counsel, with the thanks of the Court for their service.

2. Richard D. Meadow, Esq., Michael A. London, Esq. and Matthew McCauley, Esq. of the law firm of Parker & Waichman hereby are relieved as members of the Plaintiffs' Steering Committee established by the Court's March 4, 2010 Amended Case Management Order.

3. The deadline for individual plaintiff's law firms to submit letter applications for the plaintiffs' liaison counsel position is August 15, 2012. These proposals may be submitted to the Court *ex parte*. The Court will appoint new plaintiffs' liaison counsel on or before August 17, 2012.

4. By 3 p.m. EST on August 30, 2012, counsel for Defendants and counsel for Plaintiffs shall submit to the Court via e-mail a letter setting forth their candidates for the next pool of bellwether trial candidates. Liaison counsel is to submit a minimum of four candidates, and at the same time shall submit a proposed trial schedule. Defendants' counsel and Plaintiffs' counsel shall serve opposing counsel with their letters at the same time the letters are submitted to the Court. If an individual plaintiff's law firm wishes to submit a case in addition to the four submitted by liaison counsel they may do so.

5. Defendants may conduct depositions of plaintiffs in an additional eight cases (a "Wave 6"), with four of the cases in which depositions may be conducted to be chosen by Defendants, and the remaining four cases to be chosen by Plaintiffs by August 30, 2012. This is separate from the bellwether trial selections.

6. The next Case Management Conference shall be conducted on September 13, 2012, at 10:00 a.m.

HON. CAROL E. HIGBEE, P.J.Cv.

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