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SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY
LAW DIVISION: BERGEN COUNTY

CASE NO. 297
MASTER DOCKET NO.:BER-L-4098-13

IN RE MIRENA

LITIGATION

CIVIL ACTION
CASE MANAGEMENT ORDER #27

All prior orders remain in full force and effect except as modified by this Order

This Matter having been assigned to the Honorable Brian R. Martinotti, J.S.C., pursuant to the Supreme Court's Order of May 13, 2013, designating this matter for Multicounty Litigation Status ("MCL") of Mirena Litigation, (hereinafter referred to as "Mirena")[1] and the Court having entered an Initial Case Management Order ("CMO") on May 20, 2013; scheduling a Case Management Conference ("CMC") on January 14, 2014; having reviewed counsel's joint submissions dated January 7, 2014; conducting a CMC; counsel appearing; for good cause shown and for the reasons set forth on the record;

IT IS on this 24th day of June 2014,

ORDERED,

[1] The Court is cognizant that MDL In re Mirena IUD Products Liability Litigation, MDL No. 2434, is pending before Judge Seibel in the Southern District of New York. This Court is a proponent of federal/state cooperation; all counsel are urged to use their best efforts to coordinate with their counterparts in the MDL matter to avoid duplication of efforts where practicable, specifically but not limited to infra Part I, Paragraph 2.

PART I

ORDERS ENTERED SINCE CASE MANAGEMENT CONFERENCE

ON MAY 13, 2014

1. Case Management Order No. 26 – Initial Disposition Pool Cases

2. The parties have made their Initial Disposition Pool Case Selections and strikes. The 12 cases selected are as follows:

Plaintiffs' IDP Selections:

Argent v. Bayer	BER-L-249-14
Bakken v. Bayer	BER-L-9536-13
Kerrigan v. Bayer	BER-L-2269-14
Murphy v. Bayer	BER-L-1332-14
Stolenow v. Bayer	BER-L-7356-13
Wright v. Bayer	BER-L-4690-13

Defendants' IDP Selections:

Kate Barrett vs. Bayer	BER-L-4199-13
Heather Charbonneau vs. Bayer	BER-L-1087-14
Daphne Colvin vs. Bayer	BER-L-4924-13
Kelsie Denton vs. Bayer	BER-L-4754-13
Casey Henderson vs. Bayer	BER-L-4679-13
Lakisha Whatley vs. Bayer	BER-L-8881-13

PART II

COMPLIANCE WITH PRIOR ORDERS

N/A

PART III

CASE MANAGEMENT

1. Defendants shall continue to provide to Plaintiffs each month a list of Plaintiffs who have failed to timely serve Fact Sheets pursuant to CMO #3 and which the Defendants intend to file Motions to Dismiss on. Plaintiffs shall file a Fact Sheet or seek an extension at least two days prior to the Motion Filing Date. If not, Defendants have leave to file a Motion to Dismiss without prejudice, pursuant to CMO #3. Defendants shall file one omnibus motion (with a fee and order for every docket number it applies to). This motion will be returnable on the dates so indicated.
2. The parties shall meet and confer regarding the schedule contained in CMO #7 (September 25, 2014) and, if agreed, submit same to the Court by July 22, 2014. If the parties cannot agree, they will each submit their proposals to the Court. [The Court will contact Judge Seibel in an attempt to continue coordination and cooperation with the MDL as to discovery].
3. The parties shall meet and confer regarding the process and schedule for the trial cases and the related pretrial deadlines. The parties will submit same to the Court by July 22, 2014.
4. Counsel has raised an issue of a Science Day to be coordinated with the MDL. The Court will communicate and coordinate with Judge Seibel to discuss a Science Day and schedule of same.

PART IV

GENERAL:

5. The next Case Management Conference is scheduled for August 5, 2014, at 2:00pm. Liaison Counsel shall report at 1:00 pm. **Counsel shall submit a proposed agenda seven (7) days prior to this Case Management Conference.** Conferences are also scheduled for the following dates: September 23, 2014 at 2:00 p.m.; October 21, 2014 at 2:00 p.m.; November 18, 2014 at 2:00 p.m.; December 16, 2014 at 2:00 p.m.; January 20, 2015 at 2:00 p.m. and February 24, 2015 at 2:00 p.m..
6. By consent of all parties, the court may contact or be contacted on an *ex parte* basis regarding settlement issues only.
7. The court may, from time to time, conduct phone conferences with defense counsel and liaison counsel.
8. Subject to agreement by and between counsel and with permission from the Court, counsel is permitted to appear telephonically; in order to have your appearance on the record, it is counsel's responsibility to e-mail liaison counsel and the court reporter at least one hour before the proceeding with your name, firm, and party representing, indicating that you intend to appear by phone; in addition you must confirm you appearance, immediately following the proceeding. Absent the above, counsel's appearance will not be noted.
9. The official record shall be the transcript provided by the court reporter retained by counsel. The reporter shall preserve all proceedings and shall email a transcript of any court proceeding to the court within 14 days of the proceeding.

10. Counsel is permitted to serve one motion with a schedule of attached cases for *pro hac* admission. However, a separate order per case/docket number and filing fees is required.
11. The Court directs all counsel to R.1:48 and expects all counsel to abide by the parameters set forth therein.
12. All Court proceedings will start at the designated scheduled time. Counsel is expected to arrive promptly for these proceedings.
13. Counsel shall provide the Court with their preferred e-mail address by e-mailing same to Kelly Gibson at Kelly.Gibson@judiciary.state.nj.us and Stephanie Gino at Stephanie.Gino@judiciary.state.nj.us.
14. Counsel shall copy their co-counsel and all adversaries on all e-mails and other electronic correspondence submitted to the Court [COUNSEL IS PROHIBITED FROM FILING ANY PLEADING ELECTRONICALLY]. Any such submission received after 4:30 p.m. will be deemed received at 9:00 a.m. on the next day Court is in session. Any such submission received after 4:30 p.m. on a Friday or over a weekend, will be deemed received on 9:00 a.m. on the next day Court is in session.
15. Counsel is directed to contact The Superior Court of New Jersey, Attorneys Accounts: P.O. Box 980, Hughes Justice Complex, 25 W. Market Street, Trenton, New Jersey 08625 (609) 633-8643 to establish a collateral account for any filing fees within seven (7) days.
16. Counsel is required to check the Judiciary's Web Site dedicated to this matter for any decisions/Orders/information contained therein.

17. A copy of this Order and any subsequent Orders to the Court will be posted on the Judiciary Web Site.

BRIAN R. MARTINOTTI, J.S.C.