# SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY LAW DIVISION: MIDDLESEX COUNTY

#### **ASBESTOS LITIGATION**

Docket No: L-7582-15 (AS)

JOHN DAY,

Plaintiff(s),

vs.

ACME PLASTERING CO., et al

Defendant(s).

**Civil Action** 

**CASE MANAGEMENT ORDER I** 

This matter coming in for a Case Management Conference before Special Master Agatha N. Dzikiewicz and the following parties on *September 28, 2016*:

FIRM	ATTORNEY	CLIENT
Wilentz Goldman & Spitzer	Philip Tortoreti	Plaintiff(s)
Landman Corsi	Jorkeell Echeveria	ACME Plastering Co.
Margolis Edelstein	Jeanine Clark	URS Energy & Construction; Woolsulate
Styliades Mezzanotte	Brian Jeffers	Sherman & Chaplin

IT IS on this 3rd day of October, 2016, 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 plaintiff's 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

December 1, 2016	Plaintiff shall serve answers to standard interrogatories, provide the information required by paragraph VII.B.1.a. of the General Order, and shall advise defendants whether the plaintiff is available for deposition and, if not, the reasons therefore by this date.
December 1, 2016	Plaintiff shall serve answers to Woolsulate's and URS Energy's supplemental discovery by this date.
January 6, 2017	Defendants shall serve answers to standard interrogatories by this date.
January 31, 2017	Plaintiff shall propound supplemental interrogatories and document requests by this date.
March 3, 2017	Defendants shall serve answers to supplemental interrogatories and document requests by this date.
January 31, 2017	Defendants shall propound supplemental interrogatories and document requests by this date.

March 3, 2017 Plaintiff shall serve answers to supplemental interrogatories and document requests by this date.

April 7, 2017 Plaintiff depositions shall be concluded by this date. Plaintiff's counsel shall contact the Special Master within one week of this deadline if plaintiff depositions are not completed by

this date.

May 31, 2017 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.

June 30, 2017 Depositions of corporate representatives shall be completed by this date.

# **EARLY SETTLEMENT**

Settlement demands shall be served on all counsel and the Special Master by this date. July 7, 2017

## SUMMARY JUDGMENT MOTION PRACTICE

July 21, 2017 Plaintiff's counsel shall advise, in writing, of intent not to oppose motions by this date.

August 4, 2017 Summary judgment motions shall be filed no later than this date.

September 1, 2017 Last return date for summary judgment motions.

## MEDICAL DEFENSE

Plaintiff shall serve executed medical authorizations (along with answers to interrogatories) December 1, 2016

by this date.

Plaintiff shall serve a diagnostic medical report and any medical records in plaintiff's December 1, 2016

possession by this date.

Plaintiff shall serve medical expert reports by this date. April 28, 2017

May 31, 2017 The defense medical examination of plaintiff(s) shall be completed by this date.

November 30, 2017 Defendants shall identify its medical experts and serve medical 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

October 6, 2017 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.

November 30, 2017 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.

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## **ECONOMIST EXPERT REPORTS**

October 6, 2017 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.

November 30, 2017 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**

December 15, 2017 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

December 6, 2017 @ 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.

January 8, 2018 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

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