SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY LAW DIVISION: MIDDLESEX COUNTY

#### **ASBESTOS LITIGATION**

HOWARD & MARY ANN LITTLE,

Plaintiff(s),

vs.

AII ACQUISITION CORP., LLC, et al

Defendant(s).

**Docket No:** L-8030-18 (AS)

**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 *July 3, 2019*:

FIRM	ATTORNEY	CLIENT
Belluck & Fox	William Papain	Plaintiff(s)
Caruso Smith	Thomas M. Rogers	Union Carbide; CertainTeed Corp.
Clyde & Co.	Kevin Turbert	Burnham LLC
Gibbons PC	Ethan Stein	Honeywell International
Goldberg Segalla	Jessica Saad	Avco Corp.
Landman Corsi	Kristina Rogan	ECR International, Inc.
Leader Berkon	Christine Bucca	Weil McLain
Lucosky Brookman	Adam Golub	Slant/Fin Corp.
Marks O'Neill	Paul Smyth	Columbia Boiler
Maron Marvel	Lina C. Flanigan	Keeler/Dorr-Oliver Boiler Co.
Maron Marvel	Timothy Coughlan	CompDyne LLC
Marshall Dennehey	Ana McCann	Riley Power
McElroy Deutsch	Denise Harris	Flowserve US Inc.; Rockwell Automation Inc.
McGivney Kluger	Caitlin Bodtmann	Atwood & Morrill; Taco
McGivney Kluger	Joel Clark	Taco; Zurn
McGivney Kluger	Trish Wilson	Sid Harvey; Armstrong International; Holland
		Furnace
Pascarella DiVita	John S. McGowan	Crane Co.; Rheem Mfg. Co.
Reilly McDevitt	Ryan Notarangelo	Aurora Pump; Crown Boiler
Tanenbaum Keale	Elizabeth Gee	CBS Corp.; Foster Wheeler; General Electric
Turner O'Mara	Dave J. Gallacher	Carrier Corp.
Wilbraham Lawler	Josette Spivak	Lennox Industries
Wilson Elser	Joseph Hanlon	Chevron USA Inc.; New Yorker Steel Boiler Co.

IT IS on this 9th day of July 2019, 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.

Any jurisdictional motions must be filed in accordance with the Court Rules or be waived.

Any *forum non conveniens* motions must be filed as soon as practicable; once sufficient discovery is conducted so that the motion may be properly brought.

## **DISCOVERY**

July 19, 2019	Defendants shall serve answers to standard interrogatories by this date.
July 26, 2019	Plaintiff shall propound supplemental interrogatories and document requests by this date.
August 30, 2019	Defendants shall serve answers to supplemental interrogatories and document requests by this date.
July 26, 2019	Defendants shall propound supplemental interrogatories and document requests by this date.
August 30, 2019	Plaintiff shall serve answers to supplemental interrogatories and document requests by this date.
September 30, 2019	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.
September 30, 2019	Depositions of corporate representatives shall be completed by this date.

## **EARLY SETTLEMENT**

October 25, 2019 Settlement demands shall be served on all counsel and the Special Master by this date.

# MEDICAL EXPERT REPORT

October 18, 2019	Plaintiff shall serve medical expert reports by this date.
October 18, 2019	Upon request by defense counsel, plaintiff is to arrange for the transfer of pathology specimens and x-rays, if any, by this date.
January 17, 2020	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 18, 2019	Plaintiff shall identify its liability experts and serve liability expert reports by this date or waive any opportunity to rely on liability expert testimony.
January 17, 2020	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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#### SUMMARY JUDGMENT MOTION PRACTICE

October 25, 2019 Plaintiff's counsel shall advise, in writing, of intent not to oppose motions by this date.

November 8, 2019 Summary judgment motions shall be filed no later than this date.

December 6, 2019 Last return date for summary judgment motions.

#### **ECONOMIST EXPERT REPORTS**

October 18, 2019 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.

January 17, 2020 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**

February 14, 2020 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

January 8, 2020 @ 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.

March 2, 2020 Pretrial Information Exchange submissions due.

March 9, 2020 Trial-Ready Date.

Plaintiff(s) counsel shall serve a copy of this Order upon any additional counsel immediately upon receipt.

/s/ Ana C. Víscomí ANA C. VISCOMI, J.S.C.

cc: counsel:

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cc: Clerk, Mass Tort

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