SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY LAW DIVISION: MIDDLESEX COUNTY

## **ASBESTOS LITIGATION**

**Docket No:** L-7514-17 (AS)

BARBARA MATTHEWS,

Plaintiff(s),

vs.

JOHNSON & JOHNSON, INC., et al

Defendant(s).

**Civil Action** 

**CASE MANAGEMENT ORDER II** 

This matter coming in for a Case Management Conference before Special Master Agatha N. Dzikiewicz and the following parties on *October 25, 2018*:

FIRM	ATTORNEY	CLIENT
Phillips & Paolicelli	Brendan Tully	Plaintiff(s)
McCarter & English	Jean Patterson	Johnson & Johnson; Johnson & Johnson Consumer
McGivney Kluger	Joel Clark	Whittaker Clark & Daniels

IT IS on this 1st day of November, 2018, 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.

# **DISCOVERY**

November 16, 2018	Plaintiff shall serve answers to wrongful death interrogatories by this date.
November 30, 2018	Defendants shall serve answers to standard interrogatories by this date.
December 31, 2018	Cyprus/Imerys shall serve answers to supplemental interrogatories and document requests by this date.
November 30, 2018	Defendants shall propound supplemental interrogatories and document requests by this date.
December 31, 2018	Plaintiff shall serve answers to supplemental interrogatories and document requests by this date.
February 28, 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.
February 28, 2019	Depositions of corporate representatives shall be completed by this date.

# **EARLY SETTLEMENT**

April 12, 2019 Settlement demands shall be served on all counsel and the Special Master by this date.

### SUMMARY JUDGMENT MOTION PRACTICE

April 12, 2019 Plaintiff's counsel shall advise, in writing, of intent not to oppose motions by this date.

April 26, 2019 Summary judgment motions shall be filed no later than this date.

May 24, 2019 Last return date for summary judgment motions.

## MEDICAL DEFENSE

December 14, 2018 Plaintiff shall serve medical expert reports by this date.

December 14, 2018 Upon request by defense counsel, plaintiff is to arrange for the transfer of pathology specimens

and x-rays, if any, by this date.

July 28, 2019 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**

March 29, 2019 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.

July 28, 2019 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.

# **ECONOMIST EXPERT REPORTS**

March 29, 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.

July 28, 2019 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**

August 30, 2019 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 5, 2018 The settlement conference previously scheduled on this date is **cancelled**.

August 21, 2019 @ 1:30pm 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.

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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: Rawle & Henderson for Cyprus/Imerys
Clerk, Mass Tort

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