SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY LAW DIVISION: MIDDLESEX COUNTY

### **ASBESTOS LITIGATION**

**Docket No:** L-1670-16 (AS)

BEVERLY McGRATH (Estate of John McGrath),

Plaintiff(s),

VS.

ANHEUSER BUSCH INC., et al

Defendant(s).

# **Civil Action**

#### **CASE MANAGEMENT ORDER III**

This matter coming in for a Case Management Conference before Special Master Agatha N. Dzikiewicz and the following parties on *August 8, 2017*:

| FIRM                    | ATTORNEY           | CLIENT                                     |
|-------------------------|--------------------|--|
| Cohen Placitella & Roth | Rachel Placitella  | Plaintiff(s)                               |
| Robins Cloud LLP        | Sara Morton        | Plaintiff's co-counsel                     |
| Caruso Smith            | Lisa Massimi       | CertainTeed; Union Carbide; Essex Chemical |
| DLA Piper LLP           | Stephen Barrett    | BASF Catalysts LLC                         |
| Gibbons PC              | Daniel Dorfman     | Honeywell                                  |
| Gibbons PC              | Robert Brown       | Hoffman LaRoche Inc.                       |
| Goldberg Segalla        | H. Lockwood Miller | Givaudan                                   |
| Hardin Kundla           | Nicea D'Annunzio   | Mondelez International, Inc.               |
| Landman Corsi           | Alex Marcus        | Anheyser Busch                             |
| Maron Marvel            | Lina Carreras      | Industrial Holdings Corp.                  |
| McElroy Deutsch         | Joseph LaSala      | Pabst Brewing Co.                          |
| Pascarella DiVita       | Gabriel Miller     | Ingersoll Rand                             |
| Porzio Bromberg         | Michelle Burke     | Cytec Industries, Inc.; AT&T               |
| Speziali Greenwald      | Joanne Hawkins     | General Electric                           |
| Tanenbaum Keale         | Afigo Fadahunsi    | CBS/Westinghouse                           |
| Wilbraham Lawler        | Matthew Jones      | PSE&G                                      |

IT IS on this 9th day of August, 2017, 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 13, 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.

December 15, 2017 Depositions of corporate representatives shall be completed by this date.

## EARLY SETTLEMENT

January 5, 2018 Settlement demands shall be served on all counsel and the Special Master by this date.

## **SUMMARY JUDGMENT MOTION PRACTICE**

January 5, 2018 Plaintiff's counsel shall advise, in writing, of intent not to oppose motions by this date.

January 19, 2018 Summary judgment motions shall be filed no later than this date.

February 16, 2018 Last return date for summary judgment motions.

#### **MEDICAL DEFENSE**

January 16, 2018 Plaintiff shall serve medical expert reports by this date.

March 30, 2018 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**

January 16, 2018 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.

March 30, 2018 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.

#### **EXPERT DEPOSITIONS**

April 27, 2018 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

November 15, 2017 The settlement conference previously scheduled on this date is **cancelled**.

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April 20, 2018 @ 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.

May 29, 2018 Trial Date. (The December 18, 2017 trial is adjourned to this 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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