## SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY LAW DIVISION: MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASBESTOS LITIGATION

RICHARD PERRY,

vs.

ASBESTOS CORP. LTD., et al

Defendant(s).

*Plaintiff(s)*,

## Docket No: L-5611-14 (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 *February 4, 2016:* 

FIRM	ATTORNEY	CLIENT
Napoli Shkolnik	Kardon Stolzman	Plaintiff(s)
Bonner Kiernan	Mark A. Lockett	Occidental Chemical Co.
Caruso Smith	Stacey Lee Trien	Union Carbide; Dana
Gibbons	Ethan Stein	Honeywell Int'l. Inc.
Hoagland Longo	Daniel Kuszmerski	Whittaker Clark & Daniels
Kent McBride	David Rutkowski	Charles Wagner
Lynch Daskal	Kate Romick	Georgia Pacific
Mayfield Turner	Joshua Locke	Carrier Corp.
McElroy Deutsch	Joseph D. Rasnak	Allen Bradley
McGivney Kluger	Caitlin Christie	Higbee; Rogers; Hoke
Pascarella DiVita	Brad Bishop	Ingersoll Rand; Trane
Sedgwick	Nicole Nielson-Pachkofsky	Borg Warner
Segal McCambridge	Audrey O. Anyaele	BW/IP
White & Williams	Christopher Morgan	Monsanto Co.

IT IS on this <u>5<sup>th</sup></u> day of <u>February, 2016</u>, 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**

- April 15, 2016Plaintiff shall serve answers to standard interrogatories, provide the information required by<br/>paragraph VII.B.1.a. of the General Order, and shall advise defendants whether the plaintiff<br/>is available for deposition and, if not, the reasons therefore by this date.
- April 29, 2016 Defendants shall serve answers to standard interrogatories by this date.

May 27, 2016	Plaintiff shall propound supplemental interrogatories and document requests by this date.
June 30, 2016	Defendants shall serve answers to supplemental interrogatories and document requests by this date.
May 27, 2016	Defendants shall propound supplemental interrogatories and document requests by this date.
June 30, 2016	Plaintiff shall serve answers to supplemental interrogatories and document requests by this date.
July 29, 2016	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.
August 31, 2016	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.
August 31, 2016	Depositions of corporate representatives shall be completed by this date.

## EARLY SETTLEMENT

September 16, 2016 Settlement demands shall be served on all counsel and the Special Master by this date.

## SUMMARY JUDGMENT MOTION PRACTICE

- September 16, 2016 Plaintiff's counsel shall advise, in writing, of intent not to oppose motions by this date.
- September 30, 2016 Summary judgment motions shall be filed no later than this date.
- October 28, 2016 Last return date for summary judgment motions.

#### MEDICAL DEFENSE

April 15, 2016	Defendants shall forward medical authorizations to plaintiff's counsel by this date.
April 15, 2016	Plaintiff shall serve a diagnostic medical report and any medical records in plaintiff's possession by this date.
August 19, 2016	Plaintiff shall serve medical expert reports by this date.
August 19, 2016	Upon request by defense counsel, plaintiff is to arrange for the transfer of pathology specimens and x-rays, if any, by this date.
November 30, 2016	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

September 30, 2016 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, 2016 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**

- September 30, 2016 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, 2016 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 16, 2016 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 7, 2016 @ 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.
  10 business days prior to trial
  Pretrial Information Exchange Form due.
- January 9, 2017 Trial-Ready Date.

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

<u>/s/Ana C. Víscomí</u> ANA C. VISCOMI, J.S.C.

cc: Clerk, Mass Tort