

HON. BRUCE J. KAPLAN, P.J.Cv.

IN RE: FOSAMAX® LITIGATION

SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY  
LAW DIVISION: MIDDLESEX COUNTY

CASE NO. 282

**CASE MANAGEMENT ORDER  
JULY 30, 2025  
CASE MANAGEMENT CONFERENCE**

**THIS MATTER**, having come before the Court for a case management conference on July 30, 2025, and counsel for Plaintiffs and counsel for Defendants having been present, and for good cause having been shown;

**IT IS** on this 6th day of August, 2025, **ORDERED** as follows:

1. **STAY OF LITIGATION**

At the joint request of the parties, all lawsuits that were filed directly in or consolidated into the Fosamax Multi-County Litigation (“MCL”), Case Number 282, are hereby stayed through January 20, 2026, unless otherwise ordered by the Court.

2. **CASE LIST FOR OTHER BRAND DEFENDANTS**

Counsel for the brand Defendants, other than the Merck Defendants (“Other Brand Defendants”), shall provide a list of their active cases to the Court within fourteen (14) days. The case list shall include the names of all parties, counsel for each party and docket number and emailed to joann.sexton@njcourts.gov and dayanna.ormeno@njcourts.gov with a copy to plaintiffs’ liaison counsel. Counsel shall highlight those cases in which they are a co-defendant with the Merck Defendants. Plaintiffs’ liaison counsel will review the case lists and, within seven (7) days, advise the Court and Other Brand Defendants’ counsel of any suggested amendments.

3. **NEXT CASE MANAGEMENT CONFERENCE**

The next Liaison counsel meeting is scheduled to proceed via Zoom, on January 13, 2026, at 9:00 a.m. EST. The next Case Management Conference is scheduled for January 20, 2026 at 9:00 a.m. via a Zoom link provided by the Court, unless otherwise notified by the Court. An agenda for the Case Management Conference shall be submitted to the court seven days before the liaison counsel meeting.

*/s/ Bruce J. Kaplan*

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The Honorable Bruce J. Kaplan, P.J.Cv.