IN RE: PELVIC MESH/GYNECARE

LITIGATION

SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY

LAW DIVISION; BERGEN COUNTY

**CASE NO.** 291

MASTER DOCKET NO.: BER-L-11575-14

CIVIL ACTION

CASE MANAGEMENT ORDER #13

All prior orders remain in full force and effect except as modified by this Order.

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J.S.C.

THIS MATTER having been reassigned to the Bergen County Vicinage, from Atlantic County, pursuant to the Supreme Court's Order of October 31, 2014; and the Court having entered an Initial Case Management Order ("CMO") on November 14, 2014; scheduling a Case Management Conference ("CMC") on January 6, 2015; having conducted a CMC; counsel appearing; for good cause shown and for the reasons set forth on the record;

**IT IS** on this 6<sup>th</sup> day of January 2015, **ORDERED** as follows:

### **PART I**

# ORDERS ENTERED SINCE LAST CASE MANAGEMENT CONFERENCE

1. Defendants' request by consent for an extension of the deadline for expert disclosures in three pending cases is GRANTED.

#### PART II

COMPLIANCE WITH PRIOR ORDERS

1. Pursuant to Section 4 of the Initial CMO dated November 14, 2014, Counsel shall meet and confer – in person, by telephone conference, or by video conference – and seek consensus to the extent possible with respect to the items on the agenda. Counsel shall submit a proposed Agenda to the Court seven days prior to the next Case Management Conference.

## PART III

### CASE MANAGEMENT

- 1. Counsel shall meet and confer and submit a proposed discovery schedule, trial schedule, and case-specific discovery schedule within the next two weeks.
- 2. All counsel shall email Liaison Counsel with their preferred email address for the dissemination of any information and all Orders.

### **PART IV**

### GENERAL:

- The next Case Management Conference is scheduled for February 5, 2015, at 1:30pm.
   Liaison Counsel shall report at 12:30pm. Counsel shall submit a proposed agenda seven (7) days prior to this Case Management Conference.
- 2. By consent of all parties, the court may contact or be contacted on an *ex parte* basis regarding settlement issues <u>only</u>.
- 3. The court may, from time to time, conduct phone conferences with defense counsel and liaison counsel.

- 4. Subject to agreement by and between counsel and with permission from the Court, counsel is permitted to appear telephonically; in order to have your appearance on the record, it is counsel's responsibility to e-mail liaison counsel and the court reporter at least one hour before the proceeding with your name, firm, and party representing, indicating that you intend to appear by phone; in addition you must confirm you appearance, immediately following the proceeding. Absent the above, counsel's appearance will not be noted.
- 5. The official record shall be the transcript provided by the court reporter retained by counsel. The reporter shall preserve all proceedings and shall email a transcript of any court proceeding to the court within 14 days of the proceeding.
- 6. Counsel is permitted to serve one motion with a schedule of attached cases for *pro hac* admission. However, a separate order per case/docket number and filing fees is required.
- 7. The Court directs all counsel to <u>R.</u>1:4-8 and expects all counsel to abide by the parameters set forth therein.
- 8. All Court proceedings will start at the designated scheduled time. Counsel is expected to arrive promptly for these proceedings.
- 9. Counsel shall provide the Court with their preferred e-mail address by e-mailing same to Kelly Gibson at Kelly.Gibson@judiciary.state.nj.us and Yeon Ji Lee at Yeon-Ji.Lee @judiciary.state.nj.us.
- 10. Counsel shall copy their co-counsel and all adversaries on all e-mails and other electronic correspondence submitted to the Court [COUNSEL IS PROHIBITED FROM FILING ANY PLEADING ELECTRONICALLY]. Any such submission received after 4:30 p.m. will be deemed received at 9:00 a.m. on the next day Court is in session. Any such

- submission received after 4:30 p.m. on a Friday or over a weekend, will be deemed received on 9:00 a.m. on the next day Court is in session.
- 11. Counsel is directed to contact The Superior Court of New Jersey, Attorneys Accounts:P.O. Box 980, Hughes Justice Complex, 25 W. Market Street, Trenton, New Jersey08625 (609) 633-8643 to establish a collateral account for any filing fees within seven (7) days.
- 12. Counsel is required to check the Judiciary's Web Site dedicated to this matter for any decisions/Orders/information contained therein.
- 13. A copy of this Order and any subsequent Orders to the Court will be posted on the Judiciary Web Site.

BRIAN R. MARTINOTTI, J.S.C.