

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

**Docket No:** L-2533-18 (AS)

**Civil Action**

**CASE MANAGEMENT ORDER II**

CAROLYN ANDERSON,  vs.  AVON PRODUCTS INC., et al	<i>Plaintiff(s),</i>    <i>Defendant(s).</i>
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This matter coming in for a Case Management Conference before Special Master Agatha N. Dzikiewicz and the following parties on March 6, 2019:

FIRM	ATTORNEY	CLIENT
Weitz & Luxenberg	Robert Silverman	Plaintiff(s)
Manning Gross Massenburg	Syed K. Rizvi	Chanel, Inc.
McCarter & English	Debra M. Perry	Johnson & Johnson
McGivney Kluger	Caitlinn Bodtmann	Whittaker Clark & Daniels
Rawle & Henderson	Joshua Lichtenstein	Cyprus Amax Minerals
Rivkin Radler	Brian R. Ade	Avon

IT IS on this 7<sup>th</sup> day of **March, 2019**, 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.

Any jurisdictional motions must be filed in accordance with the Court Rules or be waived.

Any *forum non conveniens* motions must be filed as soon as practicable; once sufficient discovery is conducted so that the motion may be properly brought.

**DISCOVERY**

June 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.

June 28, 2019            Depositions of corporate representatives shall be completed by this date.

### **EARLY SETTLEMENT**

February 21, 2020 Settlement demands shall be served on all counsel and the Special Master by this date.

### **MEDICAL EXPERT REPORT**

November 29, 2019 Plaintiff shall serve medical expert reports by this date.

November 29, 2019 Upon request by defense counsel, plaintiff is to arrange for the transfer of pathology specimens and x-rays, if any, by this date.

February 28, 2020 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**

November 29, 2019 Plaintiff shall identify its liability experts and serve liability expert reports by this date or waive any opportunity to rely on liability expert testimony.

February 28, 2020 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.

### **SUMMARY JUDGMENT MOTION PRACTICE**

January 3, 2020 Plaintiff's counsel shall advise, in writing, of intent not to oppose motions by this date.

January 17, 2020 Summary judgment motions shall be filed no later than this date.

February 14, 2020 Last return date for summary judgment motions.

### **EXPERT DEPOSITIONS**

March 27, 2020 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**

July 11, 2019 The settlement conference previously scheduled on this date is **cancelled**.

February 27, 2020 @ 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.

April 20, 2020

Pretrial Information Exchange submissions due.

April 27, 2020

Trial-Ready Date. (*The August 5, 2019 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