

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

Docket No: L-3453-16 (AS)

Civil Action

CASE MANAGEMENT ORDER IX

ESTATE of THEODORE ABBOTT, <i>Plaintiff(s),</i>
vs.
AMERICAN BILTRITE, et al <i>Defendant(s).</i>

This matter coming in for a Case Management Conference before Special Master Agatha N. Dzikiewicz and the following parties on October 4, 2018:

FIRM	ATTORNEY	CLIENT
Levy Konigsberg	Daniel Weiss	Plaintiff(s)
Caruso Smith	Marcia DePolo	Union Carbide
McGivney Kluger	Jeffrey Kluger	R.E. Caroll, Inc.
McGivney Kluger	Marc Wisel	HM Royal
O'Toole Scrivo	Gary Van Lieu	R.T. Vanderbilt
Rawle & Henderson	Susan Dean	Cyprus Amax Minerals; Imerys Talc America; Imerys Talc Vermont; American Biltrite

IT IS on this 5th day of **October, 2018**, *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.

EARLY SETTLEMENT

December 14, 2018 Settlement demands shall be served on all counsel and the Special Master by this date.

SUMMARY JUDGMENT MOTION PRACTICE

October 26, 2018 Plaintiff's counsel shall advise, in writing, of intent not to oppose motions by this date.

November 9, 2018 Summary judgment motions shall be filed no later than this date.

December 7, 2018 Last return date for summary judgment motions.

MEDICAL DEFENSE

January 18, 2019 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 18, 2019 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

October 31, 2018 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.

January 18, 2019 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

February 15, 2019 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

January 31, 2019 @ 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.

March 18, 2019 Trial Date. *(The October 15, 2018 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