SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY LAW DIVISION: MIDDLESEX COUNTY

### **ASBESTOS LITIGATION**

ESTATE OF ANITA CREUTZBERGER,

Plaintiff(s),

vs.

ABEX CORPORATION, et al

Defendant(s).

**Docket No: L-836-10 (AS)** 

# **Civil Action**

## **CASE MANAGEMENT ORDER VIII**

This matter coming in for a Case Management Conference before Special Master Agatha N. Dzikiewicz and the following parties on *December 10, 2014*:

FIRM	ATTORNEY	CLIENT
Cohen Placitella & Roth	Michael McMahon	Plaintiff(s)
Gibbons	Mark R. Galdieri	Honeywell
Harwood Lloyd	Michael Chipleo	Motion Control
Hawkins Parnell	Mark Debrowski	Pneumo Abex
LeClair Ryan	Robyn Kalocsay	Ford
O'Toole Fernandez	Gary Van Lieu	Dana Companies
Wilbraham Lawler	Mary Chicorelli	Kelsey-Hayes / Maremont

IT IS on this 12th day of December, 2014 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.

### **DISCOVERY**

January 16, 2015 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.

### **EARLY SETTLEMENT**

January 16, 2015 Settlement demands shall be served on all counsel and the Special Master by this

date.

### SUMMARY JUDGMENT MOTION PRACTICE

January 23, 2015 Summary judgment motions shall be filed no later than this date.

February 20, 2015 Last return date for summary judgment motions.

# MEDICAL DEFENSE

January 16, 2015 Plaintiff shall serve medical expert reports by this date.

March 20, 2015 Defendants shall identify its medical experts and serve medical expert 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**

February 27, 2015 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.

March 31, 2015 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.

# **EXPERT DEPOSITIONS**

April 17, 2015 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 8, 2015 The settlement conference previously scheduled on this date is **cancelled**.

April 9, 2015 @ 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. (*Please note date change* 

from the date given at the conference.)

May 4, 2015 Trial Date. (The February 9, 2015 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. Víscomí ANA C. VISCOMI, J.S.C.

cc: Clerk, Mass Tort

**Brody Deposition Services** 

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