

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

**Docket No:** L-5507-16 (AS)

**Civil Action**

**CASE MANAGEMENT ORDER II**

ESTATE of FRIEDHELM FEDER, <i>Plaintiff(s),</i>
vs.
HM ROYAL INC., 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 July 17, 2019:

FIRM	ATTORNEY	CLIENT
Wilentz Goldman & Spitzer	Vincent Cheng	Plaintiff(s)
McGivney Kluger	Jonathan Lee	HM Royal, Inc.
Schenck Price	James Kassis	Pallman Industries

IT IS on this 17<sup>th</sup> day of July 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**

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| August 16, 2019    | Plaintiff shall propound supplemental interrogatories and document requests by this date.   |
| September 20, 2019 | Defendants shall serve answers to supplemental interrogatories and document requests by this date.  |
| September 20, 2019 | Plaintiff shall serve answers to supplemental interrogatories and document requests by this date.   |
| November 15, 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. |

November 15, 2019 Depositions of corporate representatives shall be completed by this date.

### **EARLY SETTLEMENT**

March 6, 2020 Settlement demands shall be served on all counsel and the Special Master by this date.

### **MEDICAL EXPERT REPORT**

January 17, 2020 Plaintiff shall serve medical expert reports by this date.

April 17, 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**

January 17, 2020 Plaintiff shall identify its liability experts and serve liability expert reports by this date or waive any opportunity to rely on liability expert testimony.

April 17, 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 31, 2020 Summary judgment motions shall be filed no later than this date.

February 28, 2020 Last return date for summary judgment motions.

### **ECONOMIST EXPERT REPORTS**

January 17, 2020 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.

April 17, 2020 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**

May 15, 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**

To be scheduled

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.

June 22, 2020

Trial 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