SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY LAW DIVISION: MIDDLESEX COUNTY

#### **ASBESTOS LITIGATION**

KIM GRAY,

Plaintiff(s),

vs.

**Docket No:** L-5932-19 (AS)

Civil Action

**CASE MANAGEMENT ORDER I** 

JOHNSON & JOHNSON, et al

Defendant(s).

This matter coming in for a Case Management Conference before Special Master Agatha N. Dzikiewicz and the following parties on *November 14, 2019*:

FIRM	ATTORNEY	CLIENT
Levy Konigsberg	Robert Ellis	Plaintiff(s)
McCarter & English	Amanda M. Munsie	Johnson & Johnson
Gibbons PC	Robert Brown	Chattem, Inc.
Harris Beach	Kristen Turiano	Glaxo Smith Kline
O'Toole Scrivo	Gary Van Lieu	Colgate Palmolive Co.
McGivney Kluger	Caitlin Bodtmann	Whittaker Clark & Daniels
McElroy Deutsch	Joseph D. Rasnek	Pfizer, Inc.; Barretts Minerals Inc.
Rawle & Henderson	Samuel Garson	Cyprus Amax Minerals; Cyprus Mines Corp.

IT IS on this 18th day of November 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.

Defense counsel shall notify plaintiff's counsel within thirty (30) days of the date of this Order if their client was incorrectly named in the Complaint. Counsel may be barred from raising this defense at a later time for failure to comply.

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**

December 6, 2019 Defendants shall serve answers to standard interrogatories by this date.

December 20, 2019 Plaintiff shall propound supplemental interrogatories and document requests by this date.

January 24, 2020 Defendants shall serve answers to supplemental interrogatories and document requests by this date.

December 20, 2019	Defendants shall propound supplemental interrogatories and document requests by this date.
January 24, 2020	Plaintiff shall serve answers to supplemental interrogatories and document requests by this date.
February 28, 2020	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.

Depositions of corporate representatives shall be completed by this date.

# EARLY SETTLEMENT

February 28, 2020

May 22, 2020 Settlement demands shall be served on all counsel and the Special Master by this date.

## MEDICAL EXPERT REPORT

March 31, 2020	Plaintiff shall serve medical expert reports by this date.
March 31, 2020	Upon request by defense counsel, plaintiff is to arrange for the transfer of pathology specimens and x-rays, if any, by this date.
May 15, 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**

March 31, 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.
May 15, 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**

May 8, 2020	Plaintiff's counsel shall advise, in writing, of intent not to oppose motions by this date.
May 22, 2020	Summary judgment motions shall be filed no later than this date.
June 19, 2020	Last return date for summary judgment motions.

## **ECONOMIST EXPERT REPORTS**

March 31, 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.
May 15, 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.

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#### **EXPERT DEPOSITIONS**

July 10, 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.

August 3, 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

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