SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY LAW DIVISION: MIDDLESEX COUNTY

**ASBESTOS LITIGATION** 

Docket No: L-7560-13 (AS)

BETTY MORTON

(Estate of Roger Morton),

Plaintiff(s),

VS.

ALFA LAVAL INC., et al

Defendant(s).

**Civil Action** 

**CASE MANAGEMENT ORDER IV** 

This matter coming in for a Case Management Conference before Special Master Agatha N. Dzikiewicz and the following parties on *January 27, 2017:* 

FIRM	ATTORNEY	CLIENT
Shivers Gosnay & Greatrex	Donald Gosnay	Plaintiff(s)
Caruso Smith	Marcia DePolo	CertainTeed
Kent McBride	Francine Dimter	Alfa Laval
McGivney Kluger	Thomas McNulty	Brand Insulation
Pascarella DeVita	Cory Simmons-Edler	Ingersoll Rand
Sedgwick LLP	Afigo Fadahunsi	Foster Wheeler
Segal McCambridge	William Perrelli	BW/IP
Spezialli Greenwald	Joanne Hawkins	General Electric

IT IS on this <u>30<sup>th</sup></u> day of <u>January</u>, <u>2017</u>, 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**

April 28, 2017 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.

May 31, 2017 Depositions of corporate representatives shall be completed by this date.

### **EARLY SETTLEMENT**

June 2, 2017 Settlement demands shall be served on all counsel and the Special Master by this date.

## SUMMARY JUDGMENT MOTION PRACTICE

June 23, 2017 Plaintiff's counsel shall advise, in writing, of intent not to oppose motions by this date.

July 7, 2017 Summary judgment motions shall be filed no later than this date.

August 4, 2017 Last return date for summary judgment motions.

# **MEDICAL DEFENSE**

October 13, 2017 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

September 8, 2017 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.

October 13, 2017 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**

September 8, 2017 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.

October 13, 2017 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**

October 31, 2017 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

April 25, 2017 The settlement conference previously scheduled on this date is **cancelled**.

October 24, 2017 @ 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.

November 20, 2017 Trial Date. (The May 22, 2017 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

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