

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

DONNA PIERROT, vs. ASBESTOS CORPORATION LTD., et al	<i>Plaintiff(s),</i> <i>Defendant(s).</i>
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Docket No: L-183-17 (AS)

Civil Action

CASE MANAGEMENT ORDER I

This matter coming in for a Case Management Conference before Special Master Agatha N. Dzikiewicz and the following parties on *February 8, 2017*:

FIRM	ATTORNEY	CLIENT
Wilentz Goldman & Spitzer	Philip Tortoreti	Plaintiff(s)
Caruso Smith	Alexandra Caruso	Union Carbide
Goldfein & Joseph	Madhurika Jeremiah	ACL; Bell
Jardim Meisner	Nancy Giacumbo	Hollingsworth & Vose
Jones Law Office	Richard V. Jones	Metropolitan Life
McGivney Kluger	Joel Clark	Special Electric

IT IS on this **10th** day of **February, 2017**, *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.

DISCOVERY

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| February 17, 2017 | Plaintiff shall serve answers to standard interrogatories. |
| March 3, 2017 | Plaintiff shall propound supplemental interrogatories and document requests by this date. |
| March 31, 2017 | Defendants shall serve answers to supplemental interrogatories and document requests by this date. |
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| March 31, 2017 | Plaintiff shall serve answers to supplemental interrogatories and document requests by this date. |

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 19, 2017 Depositions of corporate representatives shall be completed by this date.

EARLY SETTLEMENT

April 28, 2017 Settlement demands shall be served on all counsel and the Special Master by this date.

SUMMARY JUDGMENT MOTION PRACTICE

May 12, 2017 Plaintiff's counsel shall advise, in writing, of intent not to oppose motions by this date.

May 26, 2017 Summary judgment motions shall be filed no later than this date.

June 23, 2017 Last return date for summary judgment motions.

MEDICAL DEFENSE

February 17, 2017 Plaintiff shall serve executed medical authorizations (along with answers to interrogatories) by this date.

February 17, 2017 Plaintiff shall serve a diagnostic medical report and any medical records in plaintiff's possession by this date.

April 7, 2017 Plaintiff shall serve medical expert reports by this date.

September 1, 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

July 28, 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.

September 1, 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.

EXPERT DEPOSITIONS

September 22, 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

September 21, 2017 @ 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.

10 business days prior to trial Pretrial Information Exchange submissions due.

October 23, 2017 **Trial-Ready** 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