SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY LAW DIVISION: MIDDLESEX COUNTY

#### **ASBESTOS LITIGATION**

**Docket No:** L-5798-17 (AS)

ESTATE of DARLENE PUST,

Plaintiff(s),

vs.

BRENNTAG NORTH AMERICA, et al

Defendant(s).

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 *October 18, 2018*:

FIRM	ATTORNEY	CLIENT
Weitz & Luxenberg	Robert Silverman	Plaintiff(s)
Hoagland Longo	Ibrahim Kosoko	Whittaker Clark & Daniels

IT IS on this **22nd** day of **October**, **2018**, 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**

December 31, 2018	Plaintiff shall serve answers to wrongful death interrogatories by this date.
December 7, 2018	Defendants shall serve answers to standard interrogatories by this date.
January 31, 2019	Plaintiff shall propound supplemental interrogatories and document requests by this date.
March 1, 2019	Defendants shall serve answers to supplemental interrogatories and document requests by this date.
January 31, 2019	Defendants shall propound supplemental interrogatories and document requests by this date.
March 1, 2019	Plaintiff shall serve answers to supplemental interrogatories and document requests by this date.

April 30, 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.

April 30, 2019 Depositions of corporate representatives shall be completed by this date.

### **EARLY SETTLEMENT**

July 19, 2019 Settlement demands shall be served on all counsel and the Special Master by this date.

## SUMMARY JUDGMENT MOTION PRACTICE

July 19, 2019 Plaintiff's counsel shall advise, in writing, of intent not to oppose motions by this date.

August 2, 2019 Summary judgment motions shall be filed no later than this date.

August 30, 2019 Last return date for summary judgment motions.

### MEDICAL DEFENSE

June 28, 2019 Plaintiff shall serve medical expert reports by this date.

October 31, 2019 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

June 28, 2019 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 31, 2019 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**

June 28, 2019 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 31, 2019 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**

November 22, 2019 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

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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.

December 16, 2019 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: counsel:

McCarter & English for Johnson & Johnson & Johnson Consumer

cc: Clerk, Mass Tort

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