SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY LAW DIVISION: MIDDLESEX COUNTY

## **ASBESTOS LITIGATION**

**Docket No:** L-3068-16 (AS)

CAROL VACCARELLE,

Plaintiff(s),

vs.

AW CHESTERTON CO., et al

Defendant(s).

Civil Action

**CASE MANAGEMENT ORDER III** 

This matter coming in for a Case Management Conference before Special Master Agatha N. Dzikiewicz and the following parties on *October 26, 2017*:

FIRM	ATTORNEY	CLIENT
Keefe Law Firm	Jennifer Ruhl	Plaintiff(s)
Caruso Smith Picini	Richard Picini	CertainTeed; Union Carbide
Connell Foley	Scott Press	August Arace
Gibbons PC	Daniel Dorfman	Honeywell International
Goldfein & Joseph	Madhurika Jeremiah	ACL; Bell
Hack Piro	Robert Alencewicz	Johansen; HB Smith
Hardin Kundla	Laura Dunn	Calon Insulation
Jardim Meisner	Nancy Giacumbo	Hollingsworth & Vose
Jones Law Office	Richard V. Jones	Metropolitan Life
Margolis Edelstein	Dawn Dezii	Woolsulate
Marks O'Neill	Melissa Kanbayashi	Nicholas Schwalje Inc.
Marshall Dennehey	Brielle Kovalchek	Insulation Materials Corp.
McElroy Deutsch	Joseph D. Rasnek	Exxon Mobil Corp.
McGivney Kluger	Joel Clark	Raritan Supply; Brand Insulation; Kraemer Gunite;
		Madsen & Howell; Safeguard; John Wallace
Pascarella DiVita	Stephanie DiVita	Ingersoll Rand; Crane Co.
Ricci Tyrrell	Nancy Green	Chicago Bridge & Iron
Styliades Mezzanotte	Mark Macdonald	HM Royal
Tierney Law Office	Michael Murphy	Elizabeth Industrial
Weber Gallagher	Robert Ball	Mitsui
Wilbraham Lawler	Tristin Fabro	South Amboy Plumbing

IT IS on this  $\underline{26^{th}}$  day of  $\underline{October, 2017}$ , 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.

# **DISCOVERY**

November 8, 2017	Plaintiff shall serve answers to standard interrogatories, provide the information required by paragraph VII.B.1.a. of the General Order, and shall advise defendants whether the plaintiff is available for deposition and, if not, the reasons therefore by this date.
November 8, 2017	Plaintiff shall serve answers to wrongful death interrogatories by this date.
November 22, 2017	Defendants shall serve answers to standard interrogatories by this date.
December 8, 2017	Plaintiff shall propound supplemental interrogatories and document requests by this date.
January 22, 2018	Defendants shall serve answers to supplemental interrogatories and document requests by this date.
December 8, 2017	Defendants shall propound supplemental interrogatories and document requests by this date.
January 22, 2018	Plaintiff shall serve answers to supplemental interrogatories and document requests by this date.
March 30, 2018	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, 2018	Depositions of corporate representatives shall be completed by this date.

# EARLY SETTLEMENT

Settlement demands shall be served on all counsel and the Special Master by this date. May 11, 2018

# SUMMARY JUDGMENT MOTION PRACTICE

May 11, 2018	Plaintiff's counsel shall advise, in writing, of intent not to oppose motions by this date.
May 25, 2018	Summary judgment motions shall be filed no later than this date.
June 22, 2018	Last return date for summary judgment motions.

MEDICAL DEFENSE		
November 8, 2017	Plaintiff shall serve executed medical authorizations by this date.	
April 30, 2018	Plaintiff shall serve medical expert reports by this date.	
April 30, 2018	Upon request by defense counsel, plaintiff is to arrange for the transfer of pathology specimens and x-rays, if any, by this date.	
July 31, 2018	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.	

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### LIABILITY EXPERT REPORTS

April 30, 2018 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.

July 31, 2018 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**

April 30, 2018 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.

July 31, 2018 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**

August 31, 2018 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

February 8, 2018 The settlement conference previously scheduled on this date is **cancelled**.

August 7, 2018 @ 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.

September 24, 2018 Trial Date. (The March 26, 2018 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. Víscomí
ANA C. VISCOMI, J.S.C.

cc: Clerk, Mass Tort

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