
IN RE: PELVIC MESH/GYNECARE
LITIGATION

SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY

LAW DIVISION: BERGEN COUNTY

CASE NO. 291

MASTER DOCKET NO.: BER-L-11575-14

CIVIL ACTION

CASE

MANAGEMENT ORDER #44

All prior orders remain in full force and effect except as modified by this Order.

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THIS MATTER having been reassigned to the Bergen County Vicinage, from Atlantic County, pursuant to the Supreme Court's Order of October 31, 2014; the Court having conducted a Case Management Conference; counsel appearing; for good cause shown and for the reasons set forth on the record;

IT IS on this 25th day of June, 2018, **ORDERED** as follows:

I. ORDERS ENTERED SINCE LAST CASE MANAGEMENT CONFERENCE

- A. Case Management Order #43, entered on May 31, 2018
- B. Todd Oberst v. Ethicon, Inc., et al., BER-L-10479-14 – Consent Order of Dismissal of Loss of Consortium Claim With Prejudice, entered on June 4, 2018
- C. Anthony Tarantola v. Ethicon, Inc., et al., BER-L-14660-14 – Consent Order of Dismissal of Loss of Consortium Claim With Prejudice, entered on June 4, 2018
- D. Brian Rand v. Ethicon, Inc., et al., BER-L-15810-14 – Consent Order of Dismissal of Loss of Consortium Claim With Prejudice, entered on June 4, 2018
- E. Francisco Saucedo v. Ethicon, Inc., et al., BER-L-10418-14 – Consent Order of Dismissal of Loss of Consortium Claim With Prejudice, entered on June 4, 2018
- F. Charlene Titus v. Ethicon, Inc., et al., BER-L-13110-14 – Stipulation of Dismissal With Prejudice, entered on June 6, 2018

II. COMPLIANCE WITH PRIOR ORDERS

- A. Case Management Order #43 entered on May 31, 2018

III. CASE MANAGEMENT

A. Scheduling of next trial

1. Case Selection

- a. The computerized random selection process utilized by the Court has selected the following four Texas TVT-O cases for a December 2018 trial date:
 1. Reyes, Yvette Castruita Ramirez (BER-L-012431-14), Bernstein Liebhard; Law Offices of Jan Meyer & Associates
 2. Gomez, Blanca Estella Hipolito (BER-L-009761-15), Bernstein Liebhard; Law Offices of Jan Meyer & Associates
 3. Burchfield, Mona Kay Hutto (BER-L-012361-14), Oshman & Mirisola Gomez,
 4. Olga Regina (BER-L-010726-14), Hecht Kleeger; Oshman & Mirisola
- b. The computerized random selection process utilized by the Court has selected the following three cases as backups for the TVT-O trial:
 1. Davis, Christina (BER-L-012207-14), Kline & Specter
 2. Flores, Julia Ivette, (BER-L-010655-14), Hecht Kleeger; Oshman & Mirisola
 3. McFall, Kathy Ann Price, (BER-L-011513-14), Oshman & Mirisola
- c. The computerized random selection process utilized by the Court has selected the following four Tennessee Prolift cases for a February 2019 trial date:
 1. Hansen, Sandra L. Darrah Pierce, (BER-L-010623-14), Mazie Slater
 2. McKnight, Stacie J. Miller, (BER-L-010227-14), Bernstein Liebhard; Law Offices of Jan Meyer & Associates
 3. Tays, Carolyn Atkinson, (BER-L-011577-14), Bernstein Liebhard
 4. Susong, Nancy Justice (BER-L-000793-15), Bernstein Liebhard; Law Offices of Jan Meyer & Associates

- d. The computerized random selection process utilized by the Court has selected the following case as a backup for the Prolift trial:
 1. Collins, Mary Ann Williamson (BER-L-011675-14), Bernstein Liebhard; Law Offices of Jan Meyer & Associates
- e. All the selected cases must provide to defense counsel within twenty (20) days the following information:
 1. Confirm the product identification
 2. Update plaintiff fact sheet
 3. Provide all medical records that have not been served to date

2. New York Plaintiff Cases involving a Prolift Product.

- a. The pretrial scheduling order for these cases was entered by the Court on June 15, 2018.
- b. Burns status
 - (i) Dr. Zhou deposition previously set for 5/17 to be rescheduled per Plaintiff's request
 - (ii) Discovery regarding alleged medical records; Defendant will submit an Order to Compel Authorizations
 - (iii) Mediation schedule
- c. Levin status
 - (i) Mediation schedule

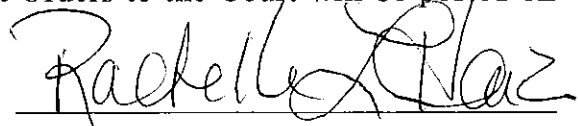
B. Miscellaneous

- a. Hrymoc – Order for Approval of the Supersedeas Bond Pending Appeal entered on June 25, 2018.

IV. GENERAL

1. The next Case Management Conference is scheduled for July 19, 2018 at 12:30 p.m. in Room 359. Liaison Counsel shall report at 11:00 a.m. **Counsel shall submit a proposed agenda seven (7) days prior to this Case Management Conference.**
2. By consent of all parties, the court may contact or be contacted on an *ex parte* basis regarding settlement issues only.
3. The court may, from time to time, conduct phone conferences with defense counsel and liaison counsel.

4. Subject to agreement by and between counsel and with permission from the Court, counsel is permitted to appear telephonically; in order to have your appearance on the record, it is counsel's responsibility to e-mail liaison counsel and the court reporter at least one hour before the proceeding with your name, firm, and party representing, indicating that you intend to appear by phone; in addition, you must confirm your appearance, immediately following the proceeding. Absent the above, counsel's appearance will not be noted.
5. The official record shall be the transcript provided by the court reporter retained by counsel. The reporter shall preserve all proceedings and shall email a transcript of any court proceeding to the court within 14 days of the proceeding.
6. Counsel is permitted to serve one motion with a schedule of attached cases for *pro hac* admission. However, a separate order per case/docket number and filing fees is required.
7. The Court directs all counsel to R.4-8 and expects all counsel to abide by the parameters set forth therein.
8. All Court proceedings will start at the designated scheduled time. Counsel is expected to arrive promptly for these proceedings.
9. Counsel shall provide the Court with their preferred e-mail address by e-mailing same to Jamie Colaneri at Jamie.Colaneri@njcourts.gov and Sean Hanratty at Sean.Hanratty@njcourts.gov.
10. Counsel shall copy their co-counsel and all adversaries on all e-mails and other electronic correspondence submitted to the Court [COUNSEL IS PROHIBITED FROM FILING ANY PLEADING ELECTRONICALLY]. Any such submission received after 4:30 p.m. will be deemed received at 9:00 a.m. on the next day Court is in session. Any such submission received after 4:30 p.m. on a Friday or over a weekend, will be deemed received on 9:00 a.m. on the next day Court is in session.
11. Counsel is directed to contact The Superior Court of New Jersey, Attorneys Accounts: P.O. Box 980, Hughes Justice Complex, 25 W. Market Street, Trenton, New Jersey 08625 (609) 633-8643 to establish a collateral account for any filing fees within seven (7) days.
12. Counsel is required to check the Judiciary's Web Site dedicated to this matter for any decisions/Orders/information contained therein.
13. A copy of this Order and any subsequent Orders to the Court will be posted on the Judiciary Web Site.



RACHELLE L. HARZ, J.S.C.