

FILED

JAN 02 2020

Judge James F. Hyland

IN RE: ZOSTAVAX® LITIGATION

SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY
LAW DIVISION: MIDDLESEX COUNTY

CASE NO. 629

**CASE MANAGEMENT ORDER #7
DECEMBER 17, 2019
CASE MANAGEMENT CONFERENCE**

THIS MATTER, having come before the Court at a case management conference on December 17, 2019 and counsel for Plaintiffs and counsel for Defendants having been present, and for good cause having been shown;

IT IS on this 2nd day of January 2020, ORDERED as follows:

1. COURT SUBMISSIONS

- Plaintiffs' liaison counsel shall provide the court with an updated case list organized by docket number by December 20, 2019.

2. OUTSTANDING PLAINTIFF FACT SHEETS

- All PFSs due on November 1st and December 2nd 2019 shall be served with signed verifications by December 31, 2019 or the case will be dismissed pursuant to an Order submitted by Defendant Merck under the five day rule.

3. BELLWETHER CASE SELECTION

- Plaintiffs shall submit their case selections by December 31, 2019.
- Defendants shall submit their case selections by January 31, 2020.

4. PROOF OF USE ORDER

- Plaintiffs shall comply with the August 29, 2019 Proof of Use Order by January 15, 2020 or their cases will be dismissed pursuant to an Order submitted by the Defendant Merck under the five day rule.

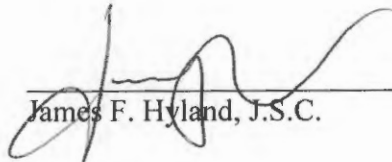
5. MOTIONS TO DISMISS PORTIONS OF THE LONG FORM COMPLAINT

- Defendants' motions to dismiss portions of the proposed amended Long Form Master Complaint are returnable on January 10, 2020. Plaintiff's opposition to these motions is due on January 3, 2020 and Defendants' reply briefs are due January 7, 2020.
- For all cases involving multiple plaintiffs, Plaintiff's counsel shall have four months to file the amended complaints following the Order granting bifurcation. The parties will meet and confer and prepare an order concerning the specifics of the tiered process for filing amended complaints and an Order to be submitted with the bifurcation motions.

6. STAY OF DEADLINE TO FILE ANSWERS

- Defendants' deadline to file Answers or otherwise respond to all complaints remain stayed until further order of the Court.

The next Case Management Conference is scheduled for February 11, 2020 at 11:00 AM in courtroom 403.



James F. Hyland, J.S.C.