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

Docket No: L-8423-18 (AS)

SAMUEL LICHTENSTEIN (Estate of Lynne Lichtenstein),

BRENNTAG NORTH AMERICA, et al

VS.

Plaintiff(s),

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 *March 5, 2020*:

FIRM	ATTORNEY	CLIENT
Simmons Hanly	Olivia Kelly	Plaintiff(s)
McCarter & English	Theresa A. Dill	Johnson & Johnson; Johnson & Johnson Consumer
Rawle & Henderson	Brian Lowenberg	Cyprus Amax Minerals Co.

IT IS on this <u>6th</u> day of <u>March 2020</u>, 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.

Any jurisdictional motions must be filed in accordance with the Court Rules or be waived.

Any *forum non conveniens* motions must be filed as soon as practicable; once sufficient discovery is conducted so that the motion may be properly brought.

DISCOVERY

April 17, 2020	Plaintiff shall serve answers to standard interrogatories by this date.
April 17, 2020	Plaintiff shall serve answers to wrongful death interrogatories by this date.
May 1, 2020	Defendants shall serve answers to standard interrogatories by this date.
May 15, 2020	Plaintiff shall propound supplemental interrogatories and document requests by this date.
June 19, 2020	Defendants shall serve answers to supplemental interrogatories and document requests by this date.
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June 19, 2020	Plaintiff shall serve answers to supplemental interrogatories and document requests by this date.
July 17, 2020	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.
July 17, 2020	Depositions of corporate representatives shall be completed by this date.

EARLY SETTLEMENT

July 17, 2020 Settlement demands shall be served on all counsel and the Special Master by this date.

MEDICAL EXPERT REPORT

April 17, 2020	Plaintiff shall serve executed medical authorizations (along with answers to interrogatories) by this date.
August 14, 2020	Plaintiff shall serve medical expert reports by this date.
August 14, 2020	Upon request by defense counsel, plaintiff is to arrange for the transfer of pathology specimens and x-rays, if any, by this date.
October 16, 2020	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

- August 14, 2020 Plaintiff shall identify its liability experts and serve liability expert reports by this date or waive any opportunity to rely on liability expert testimony.
- October 16, 2020 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.

SUMMARY JUDGMENT MOTION PRACTICE

- November 6, 2020 Summary judgment motions shall be filed no later than this date.
- December 4, 2020 Last return date for summary judgment motions.

ECONOMIST EXPERT REPORTS

- August 14, 2020 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 16, 2020 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

January 15, 2021 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

To be scheduled Settlement conference.

February 16, 2021 (*Tuesday*) Trial 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