

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN RE: GENERIC PHARMACEUTICALS
PRICING ANTITRUST LITIGATION

MDL 2724
16-MD-2724

HON. CYNTHIA M. RUFE

THIS DOCUMENT RELATES TO:

ALL ACTIONS

PRETRIAL ORDER NO. 27
(SUPPLEMENTING PRETRIAL ORDER NO. 8)
(TIME AND EXPENSE GUIDELINES AND REPORTS)

AND NOW, this 10th day of July 2017, the Court upon consideration of Plaintiffs' Unopposed Motion for Entry of a Supplemental Pretrial Order re: Time and Expense Guidelines and Reports [MDL Doc. No. 378], it is hereby **ORDERED** that the Motion is **GRANTED**. The Court enters this Pretrial Order to supplement and extend the protocol established in Pretrial Order No. 8 for the submission and review of attorneys' fees and expenses in this MDL. Accordingly, it is hereby **ORDERED** that:

1. Pretrial Order No. 8 applies to all Direct Purchaser Plaintiffs, End-Payer Plaintiffs, and Indirect Reseller Plaintiffs in all Lead Cases and Class Cases encompassed by MDL 2724.
2. The Court hereby approves the following additional guidelines for the submission of attorney time and expenses by any counsel for Direct Purchaser Plaintiffs, End-Payer Plaintiffs, and Indirect Reseller Plaintiffs:
 - a. Counsel shall make a single monthly submission to their respective Lead Counsel or their respective designees of all compensable time and reimbursable expenses in this MDL, and in that submission counsel shall designate, for each time and expense entry, the appropriate Class Case (*i.e.*, the generic pharmaceutical and Plaintiff group) to which the time or expense applies.

b. Some time and expenses may be applicable to more than one Class Case. For time and expenses that are applicable initially to one Class Case, but also may benefit other cases, counsel should designate the time or expense only to that Class Case to which the time or expense initially applies.

c. Some time and expenses may initially be applicable to multiple cases. In those instances, Counsel shall record such time and expenses as “All Generic Cases.”

d. For purposes of time and expense accounting, Lead Counsel may, in their discretion and as appropriate, also create subgroups of Class Cases into which time and expenses applicable to more than one, but less than all Class Cases may be recorded.

e. Time and expenses shall only be placed into a single case category, *i.e.*, each time entry and expense shall be designated as applicable either to a single Class Case, or to a subgroup of Class Cases (if subgroups are created), or to the “All Generic Cases” category.

3. Counsel shall submit their time and expense reports to their respective Lead Counsel in accordance with Pretrial Order No. 8, this Pretrial Order No. 27, and corresponding instructions from their respective Lead Counsel:

a. No later than July 31, 2017, each firm shall submit all time and expense entries from April 7, 2017 through June 30, 2017;

b. For the period starting July 1, 2017 and thereafter, all time and expense reports shall be submitted no later than the last day of the month following the end of the month being reported. For example, July reports are due no later than August 31.

It is so **ORDERED**.

BY THE COURT:


CYNTHIA M. RUFÉ, J.