UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT EASTERN DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN RE: TYLENOL (ACETAMINOPHEN) MARKETING,	§ MDL NO. 2436
SALES PRACTICES AND PRODUCTS LIABILITY	§ 2:13-md-02436
LITIGATION	§ HON. LAWRENCE F. STENGEL
This Document Relates to:	
	Civil Action No. 2:12-cv-07263
Rana Terry, as Personal Representative and Administrator of the Estate of Denice Hayes, Deceased,	- \$ \$ \$
Plaintiff,	\$ \$ \$
VS.	§ §
McNEIL-PPC, Inc., McNeil Consumer Healthcare, and Johnson & Johnson, Inc.,	\$ \$ \$ \$
Defendants.	§

<u>CASE MANAGEMENT ORDER NO. 18(a)</u> (1st Bellwether Case Scheduling Order)

THIS MATTER having come before the Court by way of a telephonic conference between the Court and counsel on February 18, 2015, and for good cause shown, IT IS on this 25th day of February, 2015, **ORDERED** that this Order **AMENDS** Case Management Order 18 (Doc. No. 185, entered on January 29, 2015) as follows:

- 1. The case of <u>Rana Terry v. McNeil-PPC</u>, <u>Inc.</u>, <u>et al.</u>, Civil Action No. 2:12-cv-07263 ("the Terry case"), is selected as the first bellwether case to proceed to trial from the Tylenol liver injury cases pending in MDL No. 2436.
- 2. The trial of the <u>Terry</u> case shall commence on **Monday, June 22, 2015**, with the reporting of the venire for completion of jury questionnaires. Pre-trial proceedings in the <u>Terry</u> case shall be completed in accordance with the below schedule:¹

EXPERT DEADLINES

Plaintiffs' Identification of Expert	Monday, February 16, 2015
Witnesses and Disclosure of Expert	
Reports	
Defendants' Identification of Expert	Friday, March 27, 2015
Witnesses and Disclosure of Expert	
Reports	
Expert Deposition Deadline	Friday, April 24, 2015

No deposition of a Plaintiffs' Expert shall occur prior to Defendants' Experts' Disclosures with regard to the corresponding Expert of Defendants. The scope of expert depositions shall be consistent with the guidance that the Court provided to the parties as expressed during the May 20, 2014 status conference in this case. (See, May 20, 2014 status conference transcript as pgs. 26-36). Accordingly, the parties shall in good faith

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¹ The previously-entered Case Management Order (CMO) 18 set a partial pre-trial schedule while the parties and this court worked to resolve outstanding disputes regarding parties' submissions of pre-trial motions and deposition designations. This Order serves to supplement information already provided in CMO 18. The information contained in the previous Order regarding trial date and expert deadlines remains unchanged. This shall be considered the complete Scheduling Order for the first Bellwether trial.

not unnecessarily seek to undertake duplicative questioning of an expert whose deposition was taken in the <u>Lyles</u> proceeding. Expert depositions will proceed to the extent feasible in accommodation of the schedules of the experts, with the deposition of the Plaintiffs' Expert on a particular subject or issue to occur first, followed by the deposition of the corresponding Defendants' Expert. This does not change the presumptive limitation of 7 hours of deposition time of an expert.

MOTIONS PRACTICE

Friday, May 8, 2015
Friday, May 22, 2015
Wednesday, May 27, 2015
Wednesday, June 10, 2015
Wednesday, June 17, 2015

JURY INSTRUCTIONS

Proposed Jury Instructions	Friday, June 5, 2015

² The parties may move for leave of court to file Reply briefing. Motions for leave to file Reply briefing shall be filed on or before May 29, 2015.

TRIAL WITNESS LISTS

Plaintiffs' & Defendants' Identification of Trial Witnesses (Live & Via Deposition)	Tuesday, May 26, 2015
Identification of Rebuttal Witnesses	Tuesday, June 2, 2015

Plaintiffs' & Defendants' Preliminary Exhibit Lists	Monday, June 1, 2015
Meet and Confer Among Counsel Concerning Case- Specific Exhibits	Week of Monday, June 15, 2015

JURY QUESTIONNAIRES

Exchange of Parties' Proposed Jury Questionnaires	Thursday, June 11, 2015
Submission of Proposed, Agreed Upon, Jury Questionnaire to the Court	Thursday, June 18, 2015

3. **DEPOSITION DESIGNATIONS**

The Court appreciates and understands that certain witness' testimony may be presented to the Jury in this case by previously preserved videotaped testimony that has

been taken in these MDL proceedings. In order to help streamline the process of determining which previously preserved videotaped testimony may be admissible at trial, the Court will begin to review the parties' designations of which deposition testimony is relevant to this case.³

Protocol for Submission of Deposition Designations⁴

- The parties shall submit to the Court a "Deposition Package" for each of the following witnesses: Dr. Kenneth Kwong, Dr. Anthony Temple, Dr. Edward Kuffner, Ashley McEvoy, Kathy Fallon, and Sherrie Cathcart.
- 2. A "Deposition Package" shall consist of:
 - a. A notebook with two sections:
 - 1) A single color-coded transcript (hereinafter, "Transcript") containing the Plaintiffs' deposition designations (red font), Defendants counter-designations and objections (green font), Plaintiffs' rebuttal designations (red font), Plaintiffs' objections to Defendants' counter-designations (red font), and Defendants' objections to any rebuttal designations by the Plaintiffs (green font).
 - 2) Paper copies of all documents exhibited during the deposition in the order that they are identified.

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³ After two telephone conferences with counsel for the parties and this Court, I determined that early review of certain designations would be the most efficient way to proceed.

⁴ This is the protocol to which the parties have agreed and proposed to the court.

- b. A flash drive containing electronic copies of all exhibits and the deposition video cuts for the witness with exhibit call-outs.
- 3. The Deposition Packages shall be completed on a rolling-basis according to the following timeline⁵:
 - a. Defendants shall serve Plaintiffs with witness Transcripts⁶ containing Plaintiffs' initial designations and Defendants' counter-designations and objections as follows:
 - Dr. Anthony Temple and Dr. Edward Kuffner on **February 27, 2015**;
 - Dr. Kenneth Kwong and Ashley McEvoy on **March 5, 2015**;
 - Kathy Fallon on March 13, 2015.
 - b. Plaintiffs shall provide their counter-designations and objections to the
 Defendants initial designations (which Defendants shall incorporate into a
 Transcript) as follows:
 - Sherrie Cathcart on March 13, 2015.
 - c. Following their receipt of a Transcript, Plaintiffs shall insert their rebuttal designations, objections to Defendants' designations and responses to Defendants' objections. Plaintiffs will then prepare a deposition video containing all of the parties' designations with exhibit call-outs. The finalized Transcript and deposition video shall be submitted to the Defendants for review as follows:

⁵ Service of all submissions described herein shall occur no later than 1:00 p.m. EST on the date identified.

⁶Defendants shall submit all Transcripts in native format so that the Plaintiffs can add any rebuttal designations, objections and responses to Defendants' objections.

• Dr. Anthony Temple and Dr. Edward Kuffner on **March 3, 2015**;

• Dr. Kenneth Kwong and Ashley McEvoy on **March 10, 2015**;

• Kathy Fallon and Sherrie Cathcart on **March 17, 2015**.

d. Following receipt of the finalized Transcript and deposition video, Defendants

shall notify the Plaintiffs of any objections or corrections to the finalized

Transcript and deposition video as follows:

• Dr. Anthony Temple and Dr. Edward Kuffner on **March 5, 2015**;

• Dr. Kenneth Kwong and Ashley McEvoy on March 12, 2015;

• Kathy Fallon and Sherrie Cathcart on March 19, 2015.

e. Following the resolution of any objections or corrections identified by the

Defendants, Plaintiffs shall submit the final Deposition Package to the Court

with a service copy to Defendants.

f. Defendants shall submit, on or before March 5, 2015, a single letter brief

providing a short summary (not to exceed 8 pages in total) in support of their

evidentiary objections referenced in the Transcripts. Plaintiffs shall submit a

responsive letter brief in opposition (not to exceed 8 pages in total) on or

before March 12, 2015.

BY THE COURT:

/s/ Lawrence F. Stengel

LAWRENCE F. STENGEL, J.

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