## IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF WEST VIRGINIA CHARLESTON DIVISION

IN RE: COOK MEDICAL, INC. PELVIC REPAIR SYSTEM PRODUCTS LIABILITY LIGITATION **MDL No. 2440** 

JOSEPH R. GOODWIN U.S. DISTRICT JUDGE

THIS DOCUMENT APPLIES TO ALL CASES

## PRETRIAL ORDER # 37 (First Amended Docket Control Order)

It is **ORDERED** that PTO # 19 (Docket Control Order) is amended with respect

to paragraphs 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 14, 15, 17 and 18, as set forth below:

## 7. Expert Reports.

- a. On July 2, 2014, plaintiffs shall provide the name and specialty of experts along with proposed deposition dates to occur by August 13, 2014.
  Plaintiffs shall serve expert reports by July 9, 2014.
- b. On July 9, 2014, defendants shall provide the name and specialty of experts along with proposed deposition dates to occur by August 20, 2014. Defendants shall serve expert reports by July 16, 2014.
- c. Plaintiffs shall serve rebuttal expert reports by July 23, 2014, for all Discovery Pool cases.

- 8. <u>*Written Discovery.*</u> Parties shall serve any and all final, non-duplicative written discovery no later than July 28, 2014.
- <u>Expert Discovery.</u> Expert Discovery for Discovery Pool cases shall be completed by August 29, 2014. Expert depositions shall not begin until after Defendants have served expert reports.
- 10. <u>*Case-Specific Discovery.*</u> Discovery on all Discovery Pool cases shall be completed by **August 29, 2014**.
- 11. <u>Bellwether Cases</u>. Parties will make presentations to the Court on September 3, 2014, on all Discovery Pool cases, and the Court shall select a total of three (3) cases to be Bellwether trial cases. The Court shall complete its selection for the final three (3) Bellwether trial cases and inform the parties as to the order in which the cases will be tried no later than September 4, 2014.

## 12. Motion Practice.

- a. In all Discovery Pool cases and the three Bellwether cases chosen by the court, Daubert Motions and Non-Daubert based Dispositive Motions shall be filed by September 15, 2014. Response briefs shall be filed by September 22, 2014. Reply briefs shall be filed by September 26, 2014.
- b. In the three Bellwether cases chosen by the court, Daubert based Dispositive motions and motions in limine shall be filed by October 7, 2014. Response briefs shall be filed by October 14, 2014. Motions in limine are limited to 3 pages each, responses are limited to 2 pages each.

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- c. The court will determine a deadline for Daubert based dispositive motions and motions in limine in the remaining Discovery Pool cases at a later date.
- d. Dates for summary judgment and *Daubert* hearings, if any, will be set at an upcoming status conference.
- e. Local Rule of Civil Procedure 7.1(a)(2) applies regarding the page limits on memoranda in support of dispositive motions as well as responses and replies. The court will not be inclined to grant motions to exceed the page limit. The court requests that the parties abide by Local Civil Rule 7.1(a)(5) regarding courtesy copies.
- f. The parties may file placeholder exhibits for documents with potential sealing issues. However, within five days of filing, the party who filed the at-issue exhibits must either file the appropriate motion to seal or file a motion with the at-issue exhibits (dedesignated or redacted) attached asking that the court direct the Clerk to replace the placeholder exhibits with the attached exhibits.
- 13. <u>Pretrial.</u> The Court shall conduct pretrial and final settlement conferences at dates to be determined at an upcoming status conference. The Court will issue future orders related to conduct of the pretrial conference and submission of a Proposed Pretrial Order.
- 14. <u>Deposition Designations</u>. Deposition designations shall be submitted to the Court by October 7, 2014. Any objections to an opposing party's designations and any counter-designations shall be submitted to the Court October 14, 2014. Any

objections to the counter-designations, and any counter-designations to an opposing party's counter-designations, shall be submitted to the Court by **October 21, 2014**.

- *Exhibit and Witness Lists*. The parties will exchange exhibit and witness lists by
   October 7, 2014.
- 16. The parties shall file a proposed integrated pretrial order pursuant to Fed. R. Civ.P. 16 3 days prior to the pretrial conference. The proposed integrated pretrial order, signed by all counsel and unrepresented parties, shall set forth the matters listed in Local Civil Rule 16.7(b).
- 17. The parties shall file proposed jury instructions in charge form on substantive theories of recovery or defense, on damages and on evidentiary matters peculiar to the case, and special interrogatories, if any be appropriate to the case, along with a proposed verdict form on **October 27, 2014**. The court requests that the parties email the proposed jury instructions to the court's law clerk in Word format.
- 18. <u>Trial.</u> The parties will have three (3) Cook cases ready for trial with the first trial beginning on November 3, 2014 at 8:30 a.m. The subsequent trials will begin on January 5, 2015 and February 9, 2015. In the event the first Bellwether trial has settled or is otherwise resolved, the court will proceed to trial on the next Bellwether on November 3, 2014.

The Court **DIRECTS** the Clerk to file a copy of this order in 2:13-md-2440 and it shall apply to each member related case previously transferred to, removed to, or filed in this district, which includes counsel in all member cases up to and including civil action

number 2:14-cv-13946. In cases subsequently filed in this district, a copy of the most recent pretrial order will be provided by the Clerk to counsel appearing in each new action at the time of filing of the complaint. In cases subsequently removed or transferred to this court, a copy of the most recent pretrial order will be provided by the Clerk to counsel appearing in each new action upon removal or transfer. It shall be the responsibility of the parties to review and abide by all pretrial orders previously entered by the court. The orders may be accessed through the CM/ECF system or the court's website at www.wvsd.uscourts.gov.

ENTER: April 16, 2014

JOSEPH R. GOODWIN UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE