

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
EASTERN DISTRICT OF LOUISIANA

In Re: TAXOTERE (DOCETAXEL)  
PRODUCTS LIABILITY  
LITIGATION

MDL NO. 2740

SECTION "N" (5)

THIS DOCUMENT RELATES TO  
ALL CASES

**PRETRIAL ORDER NO. 27**  
**(Order from March 17, 2017 Status Conference)**

A status conference was held on March 17, 2017, at 10:00 a.m. in Judge Kurt D. Engelhardt's courtroom. At the conference, Plaintiffs' Liaison Counsel, Dawn Barrios and Palmer Lambert, and Defendants' Liaison Counsel, Douglas Moore and John Olinde, reported to the Court on the topics listed in "Joint Report No. 2 of Liaison Counsel" (Rec. Doc. 290). **IT IS ORDERED** that:

- (1) The next status conference will take place on **Friday, May 12, 2017, at 10:00 a.m.** in Judge Engelhardt's courtroom, with the meeting of liaison counsel at 8:30 a.m. and meeting of the Plaintiffs' Steering Committee at 9:00 a.m. The Court has set up a conference line for the status conference. To participate, call (800) 260-0712 and enter access code 421090.
- (2) "Science Day" with the Court, the purpose of which is to provide the Court with information that is educational in nature rather than adversarial, will take place on **Wednesday, May 3, 2017, at 8:30 a.m.** in Judge Engelhardt's courtroom.
- (3) Liaison counsel shall provide a list of member cases with pending motions and where the issue of remand has been raised, but not yet been determined, prior to the action being transferred to the Eastern District of Louisiana and consolidated into MDL 2740. Furthermore, liaison counsel shall identify any briefing materials in the record of such member cases that may have already been submitted. Liaison counsel shall provide this list to the Court via email ([chynna\\_anderson@laed.uscourts.gov](mailto:chynna_anderson@laed.uscourts.gov)) on or before **Friday, March 24, 2017.**

- (4) Liaison counsel shall provide a list of cases that are currently pending outside of MDL 2740. Such list shall contain information regarding the status of the matter, e.g., awaiting transfer to MDL 2740 or pending in Delaware state court. Liaison counsel shall provide this list to the Court via email ([chynna\\_anderson@laed.uscourts.gov](mailto:chynna_anderson@laed.uscourts.gov)) on or before **Friday, March 24, 2017**.
- (5) Plaintiffs' Liaison Counsel shall submit a chart to Defendants' Liaison Counsel and to the Court via email ([chynna\\_anderson@laed.uscourts.gov](mailto:chynna_anderson@laed.uscourts.gov)), which contains information regarding when a Defendant's product received FDA approval and when that product was placed on or entered the market.
- (6) Counsel from the settlement committees shall email the Court ([chynna\\_anderson@laed.uscourts.gov](mailto:chynna_anderson@laed.uscourts.gov)) to schedule a meeting with Judge Engelhardt.
- (7) Liaison counsel shall contact the Court via email ([chynna\\_anderson@laed.uscourts.gov](mailto:chynna_anderson@laed.uscourts.gov)) to schedule a meeting with the Court, which will take place within the next three (3) weeks.
- (8) Liaison counsel shall confer regarding the development of a discovery schedule and possible dates for bellwether trials prior to the next status conference on **Friday, May 12, 2017**.

New Orleans, Louisiana, this 22nd day of March 2017.



**KURT D. ENGELHARDT**  
**UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE**