

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. 43
(4/21/17 Liaison Counsel Meeting)

On Friday, April 21, 2017, the Court held a meeting with Plaintiffs' Liaison Counsel, Dawn Barrios and Palmer Lambert, and Defendants' Liaison Counsel, Douglas Moore and John Olinde. During the meeting, the Court discussed with counsel the topics listed on the attached agenda. **IT IS ORDERED** that:

- (1) The next general status conference will take place on **Friday, July 7, 2017, at 10:00 a.m.** in Judge Engelhardt's courtroom, with the meeting of liaison counsel at 8:30 a.m. and the 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 423344.
- (2) The 505(b)(2) Defendants shall submit nominations of counsel to be appointed to the Settlement Committee via email (chynna_anderson@laed.uscourts.gov) on or before **Friday, April, 28, 2017, at 5:00 p.m.**
- (3) The "Science Day" presentations, scheduled for May 3, 2017 at 8:30 a.m., shall be limited to thirty (30) minutes per side. These presentations shall be open to the public. However, attendance of the members of the Plaintiffs' Steering Committee is not

required. In addition, the Court has set up a conference line for the presentations. To participate, call (800) 260-0702 and enter access code 423343.

- (4) The submission date for the Motions to Remand discussed at the April 21, 2017 meeting with liaison counsel shall be **Wednesday, June 21, 2017**.
- (5) Liaison counsel, in drafting a proposed order regarding a discovery timeline and bellwether protocol, shall include a selection protocol for how plaintiffs shall be selected for bellwether trials and a proposed briefing schedule for the submission of potential bellwether cases to the Court.

New Orleans, Louisiana, this 27th day of April 2017.



KURT D. ENGELHARDT
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

MDL 2740 – *In Re: Taxotere (Docetaxel) Products Liability Litigation*
Liaison Counsel Meeting Agenda
April 21, 2017

1. Status of State Court Cases
 - a. City of St. Louis
 - b. Delaware
 - c. California
 - d. Remand Motion/Hearing Schedule
2. Revised MDL Centrality Order, PFS/DFS Implementation Order, and Short Form Complaint
3. Multi-Plaintiff Cases
4. Defendant Proposed Voluntary Dismissal Order
5. Status of ESI
6. Status of Fact Sheets
7. Discovery timeline and bellwether protocol
8. Science Day (May 3 at 8:30 a.m.)
9. 505(b)(2) Settlement Committee