

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF SOUTH CAROLINA
CHARLESTON DIVISION

In re: Bausch & Lomb Contact Lens Solution Products Liability Litigation)	MDL No: 1785
)	C/A No. 2:06-MN-77777-DCN
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This Order Relates To: All Cases)	PRETRIAL ORDER NO. 9
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IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK
COUNTY OF NEW YORK

In re: New York ReNu with MoistureLoc Product Liability Litigation)	Index No. 766,000/07
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)	Case Management Order re: Supplemental Deposition Protocols
This Order Relates To: All Cases)	
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SUPPLEMENTAL DEPOSITION PROTOCOLS (Joint Order)

In order to further the goal of coordinating the MDL proceeding and the New York Coordinated Proceeding, the Honorable David C. Norton, presiding judge in MDL No. 1785, and the Honorable Helen Freedman, presiding judge in the New York Coordinated Proceeding, held a joint hearing with lead plaintiffs' and defendant's counsel in the Bausch & Lomb MoistureLoc litigation on April 19, 2007. At the hearing, the parties and the Courts addressed uniform rules to govern the conduct of depositions in the MDL proceeding and the New York coordinated proceeding, including: (1) captioning of depositions; (2) production of documents before depositions; (3) deposition

scheduling; and (4) deposition duration. The provisions listed below apply in both respective proceedings. It is hereby ORDERED that:

I. CAPTIONING OF DEPOSITIONS

Section V.B of Pretrial Order No. 7 is supplemented to include the following language: "All cross-noticed deposition notices and transcripts shall contain a co-caption indicating that the depositions are being taken in both the New York and MDL proceedings."

II. PRODUCTION OF DOCUMENTS RELATED TO DEPOSITIONS

Section X of Pretrial Order No. 6 is amended to include the following additional provisions:

A. Document Production Certification By Defendant

At least thirty (30) days prior to the deposition of persons currently or formerly employed by Bausch & Lomb, Bausch & Lomb shall provide Plaintiffs' Steering Committee with a written certification that it has completed production of that witness's custodial files.

B. Sharing Of Documents Prior To Depositions

Deposing counsel shall provide to opposing counsel a copy of all documents to be shown to a witness during a deposition, with the exception of those documents to be used for impeachment purposes, either before the deposition begins or contemporaneously with the showing of each document to the witness. If the documents are provided (or otherwise identified) at least (3) business days before the deposition, then the witness and the witness's counsel shall not discuss the documents privately during the deposition. If the documents have not been so provided or identified, then counsel and the witness may have a reasonable amount of time to discuss the documents before the witness answers

questions concerning the document.

III. DEPOSITION SCHEDULING

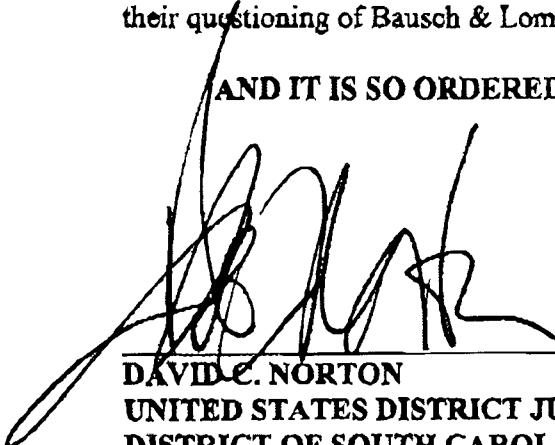
A. Notice of Depositions

Section X.B.1 of Pretrial Order No. 6 is supplemented to include the following language: "Counsel shall provide at least sixty (60) days notice prior to all depositions, in an attempt to ensure that the date is convenient for all counsel."

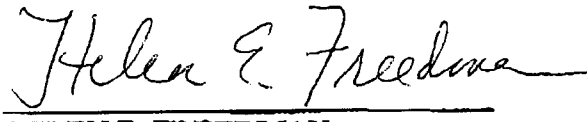
B. Duration

Section VI.D of Pretrial Order No. 7 is replaced with the following: "The total amount of questioning time by New York and MDL plaintiffs' counsel for all cross-noticed depositions noticed by plaintiffs shall not exceed fourteen (14) hours. In the interests of coordination and minimizing duplicative depositions, the Court also encourages the MDL and New York Plaintiffs' Steering Committees to coordinate with counsel in other states in dividing their questioning time and formulating deposition questions such that counsel for all plaintiffs in MoistureLoc cases are able to complete their questioning of Bausch & Lomb witnesses in the allotted 14 hours."

AND IT IS SO ORDERED.



DAVID C. NORTON
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE
DISTRICT OF SOUTH CAROLINA



HELEN E. FREEDMAN
SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE
OF NEW YORK,
COUNTY OF NEW YORK

May 4, 2007