

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN RE: DIET DRUGS (PHENTERMINE/ :
FENFLURAMINE/DEXFENFLURAMINE :
PRODUCTS LIABILITY LITIGATION) : MDL DOCKET NO. 1203
: :
THIS DOCUMENT RELATES TO ALL :
ACTIONS :

PRETRIAL ORDER # 477

AND NOW, this day of February, 1999, at a hearing held on February 18, 1999, the court ruled as follows:

1. PMC's motion (#200595) to amend PTO #38 is GRANTED.
2. Liaison counsel for the "Diet Centers" motion to substitute liaison counsel is GRANTED. Gerald Valentini, Esq., from the Law Firm Deasey, Mahoney & Bender will be liaison counsel for the "Diet Centers". J. Schreiber shall provide the court with a list of names and addresses of the "Diet Centers" that have refused to make payment to liaison counsel.
3. The parties shall submit, by March 11, 1999, a list of all plaintiffs that are claiming they were diagnosed with primary pulmonary hypertension or any other condition of equal seriousness.
4. PMC's motion (#200533) to Sever Claims Against Camall is DENIED. All claims against Camall are STAYED.
5. Goldline's motion (#200487) to Amend Answer, Assert Cross-claims and to Commence Third Party Actions Against Camall is STAYED.

6. Ion Labs motion (#200482) for Leave to File Cross-claims in Various Cases is WITHDRAWN.
7. Counsel will submit, within two weeks, a proposed order on Motion of AHP and Wyeth for Further Enlargement of Time to Designate Non-parties in Civil Action 98-20752. The order will allow 90 days from the service of the fact sheet to designate non-parties rather than 90 days from the service of the complaint.
8. Plaintiff Phipps motion to Amend Civil Action No. 98-20101 is WITHDRAWN without prejudice to refile the motion with a stipulation.
9. Qualitest's motion (#200439) to Dismiss Civil Action No. 98-20681 is WITHDRAWN.
10. The court and the Clerk's Office is NOT to be copied on discovery items, including but not limited to subpoenas, medical records, notice of depositions, and fact sheets.
11. Motion of Stephanie Jackson, et al. (#200593) to intervene in Wish is GRANTED.
12. Motion by Certain Health Benefit Providers (#200597) for clarification of the proposed Interneuron Agreement is GRANTED IN PART AND DENIED IN PART. The court will allow a spokesperson on behalf of the Health Benefit Providers to address the court at the fairness hearing.
13. A hearing on class certification issues will be held on March 17, 1999 at 10:00 a.m.

14. The next status conference will be held on March 18, 1999 at
10:00 a.m.

ATTEST:

or BY THE COURT

BY: _____
Deputy Clerk



Judge