

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF FLORIDA

CASE NO.: 0:21-md-3015-SINGHAL/Valle

IN RE:

MDL CASE NO.: 3015

JOHNSON & JOHNSON AEROSOL SUNSCREEN  
MARKETING, SALES PRACTICES AND  
PRODUCTS LIABILITY LITIGATION

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Order No. 4

THIS DOCUMENT RELATES TO: ALL CASES

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**ORDER ON MOTION TO STAY**

**THIS CAUSE** is before the Court on the Defendants' Johnson & Johnson Consumer, Inc., Johnson & Johnson, and Costco Wholesale Corp. (DE [17]), filed October 25, 2021. In the instant motion, Defendants move for entry of an order staying all deadlines in the proceedings centralized before this Court pending an Initial Conference with the Court and/or issuance of a Scheduling Order. The relief requested, however, has already been granted by this Court with the issuance of the Order Setting Initial Conference (DE [16]), entered October 25, 2021.<sup>1</sup> See (Order (DE 16)), at 6, ¶ 8. Interim Measures, a. Pleadings and Pending Motions) ("Each defendant is **granted an extension of time** for responding by motion or answer to the complaint(s) until a date to be set by this Court at the Initial Conference.") (emphasis added); see *also id.* at ¶ 8. Interim Measures, Pending and New Discovery ("Pending the Initial Conference and further orders of the Court, all outstanding discovery proceedings **are stayed, and no further discovery shall be initiated.**") (emphasis added). Furthermore, the provision of

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<sup>1</sup> Ostensibly, counsel's Motion (DE [17]) and this Court's Order (DE [16]) were being prepared concurrently and were filed the same day addressing the same issues.

this Court's Order Setting Initial Conference (DE [16]) applies to actions transferred to this Court by the MDL Panel and "all related actions filed in all sections of the Southern District of Florida and will also apply to any "tag-along actions" later filed in, removed to, or transferred to the Court by the MDL Panel." *Id.* at 2, ¶ 3. Applicability of Order. Accordingly, it is hereby

**ORDERED AND ADJUDGED** that the Defendants' Johnson & Johnson Consumer, Inc., Johnson & Johnson, and Costco Wholesale Corp. (DE [17]) is **DENIED AS MOOT**. Counsel are encouraged—if they have not previously done so—to familiarize themselves with *The Manual for Complex Litigation, Fourth* and this Court's local rules, procedures, and orders.

**DONE AND ORDERED** in Chambers, Fort Lauderdale, Florida, this 29th day of October 2021.

  
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RAAG SINGHAL  
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

Copies furnished to counsel of record via CM/ECF