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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA



IN RE: BABY FOOD PRODUCTS LIABILITY LITIGATION

This Document Relates To:

ALL ACTIONS

Case No. 24-md-03101-JSC

PRETRIAL ORDER NO. 4: ORDER DLLOWING JUNE 20, 2024 CASE MANAGEMENT CONFERENCE

As discussed at the June 20, 2024 further case management conference, the Court orders as follows:

1. ESI, Privilege, and Protective Orders

The parties are ordered to continue their meet and confer. On or before July 18, 2024, Lead Counsel shall submit proposed ESI, Privilege, and Protective Orders to the extent agreed to, and the parties shall also submit separate submissions if any disagreements remain.

2. Master Complaint and Motion to Dismiss Schedule

On or before June 27, 2024, the parties shall file a stipulated schedule for filing the master complaint and the anticipated motions to dismiss. The stipulation shall also include a briefing schedule for any motion for alternative service.

The parties have agreed the motions to dismiss previously filed in *Watkins v. Nurture*, LLC, 2:22-cv-00551-DJP-DPC (E.D. La.), may be resolved on the current submissions. (Dkt. No. 182 at 40.) The moving party shall refile these motions on the docket in the MDL case under a single docket entry with all the briefs: motion, opposition, reply, and any supporting documents attached. The parties shall also provide chambers copies of their filings in accordance with the

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Court's Standing Order.

3. General Causation Discovery

On or before July 18, 2024, Plaintiff shall serve their general causation discovery requests.

4. Case No. 24-misc-80131, Motion to Quash

Lead Counsel agree this matter is not ripe. The Court thus terminates the motion. When and if appropriate, the parties shall notify the Court if Plaintiffs seeks to enforce the subpoena and the motion to quash is ripe.

5. July 25, 2024 Further Case Management Conference

The Court will hold a further case management conference on July 25, 2024 at 11:00 a.m. in Courtroom 8, 19th Floor, 450 Golden Gate Avenue. The proceeding will be available to observe via Zoom. An updated joint case management conference statement shall be filed by noon on July 23, 2024.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Dated: June 21, 2024

United States District Judge