

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK**

<p>IN RE NAMENDA DIRECT PURCHASER ANTITRUST LITIGATION</p> <p>THIS DOCUMENT RELATES TO: All Direct Purchaser Actions</p>	<p>Case No. 1:15-cv-07488-CM-RWL</p>
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**DECLARATION OF BRUCE E. GERSTEIN IN SUPPORT OF CLASS COUNSEL'S
MOTION FOR ATTORNEYS' FEES, REIMBURSEMENT OF EXPENSES AND
INCENTIVE AWARDS FOR THE NAMED PLAINTIFFS**

I. INTRODUCTION

I, Bruce E. Gerstein, a managing partner of Garwin Gerstein & Fisher, LLP (“GGF”), and co-lead counsel for Direct Purchaser Class Plaintiffs (“Plaintiffs”), respectfully submit this declaration in support of Class counsel’s application for:

- (1) an award of attorneys’ fees from the Settlement;
- (2) reimbursement of expenses incurred in the prosecution of Plaintiffs’ claims against Forest; and
- (3) incentive awards to the named Class representatives, J M Smith Corporation d/b/a Smith Drug Company (“Smith”) and Rochester Drug Co-Operative, Inc. (“RDC”).

GGF has been involved in all material aspects of this litigation from the pre-complaint investigation and filing of Plaintiffs’ initial complaint in May 2015, through the filing of the Settlement with the Court (and continuing), and I am therefore fully familiar with the litigation, the most significant aspects of which are outlined below.

II. COMMENCEMENT OF THE CASE

1. On May 29, 2015, Class counsel,¹ on behalf of the Class, filed the first lawsuit challenging Forest’s conduct regarding the prescription pharmaceutical product Namenda, which treats Alzheimer’s patients, as violative of the antitrust laws proscribing reverse payment patent litigation settlement agreements. Class counsel filed on behalf of a putative class of direct purchasers. *See Burlington Drug Co. v. Actavis, PLC*, 15-cv-4152 (S.D.N.Y. filed May 29, 2015) (ECF No. 1). Five of the six claims challenged Forest’s reverse payments; one of the claims challenged Forest’s hard switch product hop. Class counsel then filed additional complaints: *J M Smith Corp. d/b/a Smith Drug Co. v. Actavis, PLC*, 15-cv-07488 (S.D.N.Y.

¹ On December 16, 2016, the Court entered an order concerning the organization of counsel for the Class by appointing GGF and Berger Montague PC (“Berger”) Interim Lead Counsel. ECF No. 125.

filed Sep. 22, 2015) and *Rochester Drug Co-Operative, Inc. v. Actavis PLC*, 15-cv-10083 (S.D.N.Y. filed Dec. 28, 2015). These contained those same claims. These latter actions were consolidated at No. 15-cv-7488. ECF No. 65.

2. Class counsel began its investigation of this case in earnest in June of 2014. Class counsel analyzed the '703 patent litigation between Forest and 14 generic drug companies. These would-be competitors had filed Abbreviated New Drug Applications ("ANDAs") on the first day possible, all containing Paragraph IV certifications asserting that their respective products either did not infringe the '703 patent or that the patent was invalid or not enforceable. Class counsel analyzed the publicly available information about the series of settlement agreements that delayed generic competition.

3. In September of 2014, after Class counsel's investigation was well underway, the New York Attorney General ("NYAG") sued Forest, seeking to enjoin Forest's withdrawal of Namenda IR from the market. The NYAG did not sue over Forest's patent settlement agreements with would-be generic Namenda IR competitors such as Mylan, and the NYAG did not pursue damages.

4. Class counsel's complaints, by contrast, did challenge the patent settlement agreements and Class counsel did pursue damages. Class counsel's complaints alleged that Forest entered into a reverse payment agreement with would-be competitor Mylan Pharmaceuticals Inc. ("Mylan").

5. Class counsel alleged that the delay from Forest's reverse payment to Mylan harmed generic Namenda competition and caused direct purchasers to pay overcharges on their Namenda purchases, including because the delay facilitated Forest's hard switch from Namenda IR to Namenda XR.

6. Class counsel contended that Forest disguised a reverse payment to Mylan of \$32.5 million in the form of an amendment to a pre-existing Lexapro authorized generic distribution deal (the “Lexapro Amendment”). Class counsel contended that the \$32.5 million was actually a disguised payment to induce Mylan to quit the Namenda IR patent litigation and delay competition until 2015.

7. After obtaining an injunction that prevented Forest from taking Namenda IR off the market until August 10, 2015, the NYAG asserted that “the Injunction was effective in protecting competition in the relevant market and permitting lower cost generic drugs to enter the market in July 2015,” and that “[b]ecause the injunction protected competition ... it is no longer necessary to continue legal action.” ECF No. 761-36, at 3; ECF No. 761-37, at 1. Class counsel disagreed with the NYAG’s statements (which Forest repeatedly invoked in defending this class action), and unlike the NYAG (which abandoned seeking damages from Forest), Class counsel continued to pursue damages attributable to the hard switch despite these statements.

8. Various groups of end-payors filed class actions in this District, substantially copying Class counsel’s averments.

III. FOREST’S MOTION TO DISMISS

9. On December 22, 2015 Forest filed a 71-page motion to dismiss Plaintiffs’ claims. ECF Nos. 55-57. Forest argued that dismissal was appropriate, primarily because (1) the NYAG injunction prevented Plaintiffs from being harmed; (2) the First Amendment protected Forest’s hard switch announcements of impending withdrawal of Namenda IR; and (3) the alleged reverse payment to Mylan was small and the ’703 patent was strong. Forest also argued that (4) Plaintiffs were not injured in fact either by the hard switch or the reverse payment; (5) the introduction of Namenda XR actually increased competition; and (6) Plaintiffs’ claims were time barred.

10. Class counsel responded on January 29, 2016, in under 50 pages. ECF No. 68. Although Class counsel rebutted each of Forest’s arguments, Class counsel focused on their assertions that the hard switch began before the withdrawal of Namenda IR was enjoined (and that announcing the imminent withdrawal was not speech protected by the First Amendment, as Forest argued), and that the alleged reverse payments were sufficiently large.

11. The Court denied Forest’s Motion in a 34-page opinion issued on September 13, 2016. ECF No. 106. Despite sustaining Class counsel’s complaint, the Court observed that “viewed in isolation, the settlement terms do not appear anticompetitive,” and warned Plaintiffs that “[t]o survive a motion for summary judgment, Plaintiffs will have to substantiate these allegations with evidence suggesting that the settlement agreements did, in fact, delay generic entry and that the delay had the effect of allowing Forest to complete the hard switch.” *Id.* at 31-32. The Court’s ruling portended that this case would be difficult for Class counsel to prove.

IV. WRITTEN DISCOVERY

12. Following denial of the motion to dismiss, the Court entered a Case Management Order that consolidated all direct purchaser actions for all pretrial proceedings and set an aggressive one-year schedule from that point through trial. ECF No. 128. *See also* ECF No. 340 (Judge Francis notes the “tight discovery schedule”); ECF No. 348 (same).

13. Class counsel served written discovery requests on Forest, and 20 subpoenas on non-parties, consisting of generic drug companies and law firms. Subpoenas were directed to the following entities:

Subpoena recipient	Date
Actavis	7/8/17
Amneal	1/5/17
Aurobindo	9/14/17
Budd Larner	6/14/17
Dr. Reddy’s	1/6/17

Subpoena recipient	Date
Duane Morris	5/12/17
Kirkland & Ellis	5/9/17
Lannett	8/14/17
Lupin	1/6/17
Macleods	8/14/17
Major Pharmaceutical	1/6/17
Morris Nichols	5/15/17
Mylan	1/7/17
Orchid/Orgenus	6/29/17
Potter Anderson	5/15/17
Quinn Emmanuel	5/9/17
Sun Pharma	1/6/17
Teva	7/18/17
Unichem	9/14/17
Wilson Sonsini	6/6/17

14. Forest served an additional 21 subpoenas, for a total of 41 subpoenas issued in this case that Class counsel had to manage.

15. Class counsel was required to move to compel compliance with its document requests against Forest and against a variety of the subpoena recipients. *See* ECF Nos. 197-203, 217, 222, 232-233, 238-239, 249, 256, 258, 264, 265-267, 281-283, 315, 340, 343, 346-348, 361, 363-364, 366-367, 370-377, 382-384, 386-387, 394 (Forest); ECF Nos. 214-215, 427, 429, 579 (Mylan); ECF No. 362, 427 (Lupin); ECF No. 378-380, 391, 393, 398-399, 416 (Macleods). This resulted in a variety of orders and opinions. *E.g.*, *In re Namenda Direct Purchaser Antitrust Litig.*, 2017 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 139983 (S.D.N.Y. Aug. 30, 2017); *id.*, 2017 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 173403 (S.D.N.Y. Oct. 19, 2017).

16. All told, a total of 311,345 documents (of which 28,789 were native computerized files) comprising well over 4.7 million pages (not including the native files, which have no “pages”) were produced in this case, from Forest and the non-party subpoena recipients combined. In addition, over 2.7 million lines of transactional data were produced in this case,

reflecting sales, credits, returns, chargebacks, and price adjustments. Class counsel, in subject-matter teams, analyzed all such productions, creating a variety of work product memoranda.

V. DEPOSITIONS OF FACT WITNESSES

17. From their document review, Class counsel identified and then deposed numerous fact witnesses, both parties and nonparties. In total, Class counsel took 25 fact depositions, all of which required extensive preparation, and all of which are catalogued in the table below.

Deponent name	Employer	Deposition date	Location
Eric Agovino	Forest	September 12, 2017	Westlake Village, CA
June K. Bray	Forest	August 18, 2017	New York
Robert Carnevale	Forest	August 23, 2017	New York
Maureen Cavanaugh	Teva	July 18, 2017	Philadelphia
Mark Devlin	Forest	August 29, 2017	New York
James J. Finchen	Forest	November 21, 2017	Danbury
Kapil Gupta	Anneal	July 27, 2017	Bridgewater, NJ
Sanjay Gupta	Torrent	June 15, 2017	New York
Patrick Jochum	Merz	August 30, 2017	New York
Bob Lahman	Optum Rx	July 14, 2017	Irvine, CA
S. Peter Ludwig	Darby & Darby	August 4, 2017	New York
Jinping McCormick	Dr. Reddy's	July 20, 2017	Princeton
Rachel Mears	Forest	August 30, 2017	New York
Katrina Curia	Mylan	August 3, 2017	Morgantown, WV
Seth Silber	Mylan	August 3, 2017	Morgantown, WV
Bharati Nadkarni	Sun	August 31, 2017	Princeton
Lauren Rabinovic	Teva	July 18, 2017	Philadelphia
Charles Ryan	Forest	September 7, 2017	New York
Charles Ryan	Forest	November 7, 2017	New York
Julie Snyder	Forest	October 11, 2017	New York
David Solomon	Forest	September 7, 2017	New York
David Solomon	Forest	November 15, 2017	New York
Michael Towers	Forest	August 21, 2017	New York
G. Venkatesan	Wockhardt	July 13, 2017	New York
Diana Wilk	Orgenus	August 17, 2017	Lawrenceville, NJ

VI. PRIVILEGE-RELATED MOTION PRACTICE

18. No discovery disputes were more consequential than the privilege waiver disputes, which involved multiple rounds of briefing and extensive time and effort from Class counsel and Judge Francis, and which were hotly contested by Forest. ECF Nos. 197-198, 200,

202-203, 217, 222, 232-233, 238-239, 249, 265-267, 281-283, 315, 339-340, 343, 346-348, 361, 363-364, 366-367, 370-371, 376-377, 382-384, 386, 387, 393, 394, 403-405, 684-687, 694-696, 713-714, 717-719, 721, 739, 805, 853-854, 887.

19. From the outset, Class counsel recognized that Forest's subjective beliefs about the strength of its '703 patent and the reasons why Mylan agreed to the July 2015 entry date were central issues in this reverse payment case. Class counsel sought document discovery regarding Forest's subjective beliefs on those issues and others. Forest objected on grounds of privilege.

20. Class counsel's April 12, 2017 motion to compel (ECF No. 197) argued that, by asserting certain defenses, Forest had placed its subjective beliefs at issue, effectuating an implied waiver of privilege. On May 19, 2017, Judge Francis denied Class counsel's motion as premature (ECF No. 249), but the Court directed Forest to "disclose any subjective beliefs it will rely on in its defense of this action." *In re Namenda Direct Purchaser Antitrust Litig.*, 2017 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 76675 (S.D.N.Y. May 19, 2017).

21. Forest then submitted its election on June 2, 2017 (ECF No. 281-1) stating, *inter alia*, "Forest does not intend to affirmatively rely on its subjective beliefs to rebut any argument that [] its position in the patent case was weak[.]" ECF No. 281-1, at 5.

22. In accordance with its election, throughout discovery Forest withheld documents it claimed were privileged and instructed its witnesses at deposition not to answer questions relating to its subjective beliefs about the strength of the '703 patent and other issues it had disavowed in its election.

23. As the September 15, 2017 close of discovery was approaching, Class counsel renewed their motion to compel, seeking 191 documents that Forest had identified on its privilege log, including documents that Forest had initially produced but "clawed back." ECF

Nos. 265, 267, 361. Plaintiffs asserted that Forest had waived the privilege with respect to these documents by electing to rely on its subjective views on the link between the Lexapro Amendment and the Forest-Mylan patent settlement (*i.e.*, that the former was not compensation for the latter). *See* ECF No. 281-1, at 4, 5 (Forest elects to rely upon its subjective views concerning the Lexapro Amendment’s “independence from the then-pending patent litigations and respective settlement agreements,” and its belief “that the Namenda IR patent litigation settlement agreements provided the generic competitors [no] consideration beyond the express terms of each of the final agreements.”).

24. Forest opposed the renewed motion, arguing that the documents were privileged. In a September 25, 2017 Order, Judge Francis found that Forest had waived the privilege over a series of documents because they “appear to link the Namenda settlements with the side agreements with Mylan and Orchid.” ECF No. 394.

25. Among the documents Judge Francis ordered be produced were two versions of the “Mylan Deal Concept” document and two versions of the “Forest-Mylan Meeting February 11, 2010” presentation, important evidence supporting Class counsel’s reverse payment agreement case.

26. Class counsel’s dislodging of this evidence sent Forest into an apparent tailspin. Suddenly, Forest began to engage in self-help, seeking to *de facto* reverse its earlier election without leave of Court and after the close of discovery. Deposed on these new documents, the very same Forest witnesses who earlier refused to answer questions about the patent litigations now volunteered under Forest counsel’s questioning that Forest’s position in the ’703 patent litigation was “very strong.”

27. Forest's sharp tactics required Class counsel to file a motion to enforce its earlier election. ECF No. 685. The Court granted the motion, explaining, "I am of the belief that Forest's understanding of the strength of its patent is highly relevant to this case; but if Forest has not answered questions or produced documents on that subject during discovery, Forest will not be permitted to offer any evidence on the point." ECF No. 684. Apparently undeterred, Forest then sought to inject a previously-unproduced document into evidence purporting to reveal Forest's chances of success in litigating the '703 patent against generic seller Dr. Reddy's, by moving to amend two of its expert reports to account for that document, which had been produced in the endpayer plaintiffs' case. ECF Nos. 694-696, 717-718, 804. Class counsel opposed. ECF Nos. 713-714, 805. The Court analogized the late-produced document to a "little grenade explod[ing]." ECF No. 719. The Court denied Forest's motion during a status conference on June 4, 2019.

28. Class counsel's persistence in seeking to require Forest to elect whether to waive privilege or not on certain topics, and in seeking production of otherwise-privileged documents pertinent to that election, led to the production of critical evidence supporting the Plaintiffs' claims. Class counsel's persistence in holding Forest to its election thwarted Forest's apparent strategy of trial by ambush.

VII. COLLATERAL ESTOPPEL MOTION PRACTICE

29. On February 16, 2017 Class counsel moved for offensive, nonmutual collateral estoppel with respect to certain aspects of the hard switch, in light of Judge Sweet's injunction, which the Court of Appeals had affirmed. ECF Nos. 134-137, 145-146, 157, 159-160, 169-171, 176-177, 184-185, 253. Class counsel sought collateral estoppel on, among other subjects, (1) Forest's possession of market power with respect to Namenda (an issue which Forest had not

contested on appeal); and (2) the announcement of an imminent product withdrawal as being tantamount to a hard switch.

30. Class counsel fully recognized the challenge involved in obtaining collateral estoppel based on findings of fact made by a judge during a preliminary injunction hearing. The Court made abundantly clear that it, too, recognized the challenge Class counsel faced. *E.g.*, Hr’g Tr. (5/5/17) at 5:10-14 (“[O]n what conceivable basis does the Second Circuit have jurisdiction on an appeal from an order granting a preliminary injunction to enter a final judgment, to change the fundamental nature of the proceeding before it?”). Yet, Class counsel demonstrated in briefs and argument that the motion fully comported with Second Circuit law, particularly because Forest itself had, in the Court of Appeals, successfully demanded that the NYAG meet a “practical finality” standard.

31. Because of Class counsel’s ingenuity, the Court precluded Forest from relitigating that it had market power with respect to Namenda and that its hard switch announcement violated Section 2 of the Sherman Act. *See In re Namenda Direct Purchaser Antitrust Litig.*, 2017 WL 4358244 (S.D.N.Y. May 23, 2017). Taken as established, these facts promised to shorten trial and permit focus on the gravamen of Class counsel’s case: Forest’s reverse payment to Mylan.

VIII. EXPERT DISCOVERY

32. Plaintiffs retained nine experts in this case who collectively issued 17 reports, catalogued below:

Plaintiff expert name	Main subject	Number of reports
Ernst R. Berndt, Ph.D.	Market impact from hard switch; Forest's Lexapro forecasts	2
James Bruno	Authorized generic Lexapro manufacturing costs	2
Janet K. DeLeon	Generic Namenda competitors readiness to launch earlier	2
Einer Elhauge	Earlier entry date in a no-reverse-payment settlement between Forest and Mylan	2
Nathan Herrmann, M.D.	Noninfringement of the '703 patent	2
George W. Johnston	Forest's chances of success in the '703 patent litigation	2
Russell L. Lamb, Ph.D.	Impact and damages	2
Lon S. Schneider, M.D.	Invalidity of the '703 patent	2
Jay Thomas	Hatch-Waxman Act background	1

The need for nine experts illustrates the unique complexity of this case. This lawsuit stands apart as uniquely large and complicated, representing the most complex Hatch-Waxman antitrust case Class counsel have encountered in over two decades of prosecuting them. This case uniquely required Class counsel to:

- a. master various complexities of patent law to show that Mylan would have prevailed in showing that the '703 patent was not infringed, and that the patent claims as well as the patent term extension were invalid, and in rebutting Forest's arguments to the contrary;
- b. master the biopharmaceutical aspects of NMDA receptor antagonism;
- c. master several challenging areas of FDA and CMS drug regulation, including:
 - i. FDA regulations regarding approval of transfers of manufacturing technology (for Lexapro) from one site to another; and
 - ii. CMS regulations governing the Medicaid rebate liability consequences of selling an authorized generic (Lexapro) in various ways;

d. apply those areas of FDA and CMS drug regulation (and the cost savings they imply) to a forensic examination of Forest’s deal valuation spreadsheets;

e. develop economic modeling of the complicated interaction between the delay of generic Namenda entry from the reverse payments (on the one hand) and the hard switch product conversion enabled by that delay (on the other hand), which were interdependent sources of overcharges for direct purchasers; and

f. develop a defensible multi-input economic model to determine the earlier entry date a reverse-payment-free settlement between Forest and Mylan would have borne.

33. Each of Class counsel’s experts was deposed, in some cases twice. In all, Plaintiffs defended 11 expert depositions.

34. Forest proffered eight experts:

Defense expert name	Main subject
Alexandra Mooney Bonelli	The Medicaid drug rebate program in the context of the Lexapro Amendment
Pierre-Yves Cremieux, Ph.D.	Impact and damages
Martin R. Farlow, M.D.	Validity of the ’703 patent
Lona Fowdur, Ph.D.	Absence of delay from Forest-Mylan agreement and absence of harm from hard switch
Philip Green	Absence of reverse payment from Lexapro Amendment
Roberto Malinow, M.D., Ph.D.	Infringement and validity of the ’703 patent
Roderick McKelvie	Forest’s chances of success in the ’703 patent litigation
David L. Rosen	FDA practices and procedures concerning applications for patent term extensions

35. Plaintiffs took the depositions of each of Forest’s eight experts, obtaining admissions needed to cross examine them at trial and limit their testimony prior to trial.

IX. CLASS CERTIFICATION

36. Class certification was heavily briefed and hotly contested in this case. ECF Nos. 400-402, 406, 409, 410, 417, 514, 523, 551, 552, 559, 561, 589-590, 599, 602, 606, 679. The Court certified the Class. ECF No. 570. Forest appealed under Fed. R. Civ. P. 23(f), but review was denied. ECF No. 600. There were no opt out requests, attesting to the confidence that absent members of the Class placed in Class counsel to prosecute this matter to a successful conclusion.

X. SUMMARY JUDGMENT AND *DAUBERT* MOTIONS

37. Class counsel faced a combined total of 219 pages of summary judgment and *Daubert* briefing over an extremely compressed period.

38. Specifically, Forest filed a 64-page memorandum in support of its summary judgment motion. ECF Nos. 434-436, 465-467. Forest filed a 25-page reply. ECF Nos. 478, 630. Forest included a 494-paragraph statement of facts (ECF No. 466) and, including those submitted on reply, a total of 417 exhibits (ECF Nos. 467, 479, 666-668, 670, 672-676).

39. Forest also filed six *Daubert* motions, comprising nearly 80 additional pages of briefing, plus over 50 additional pages on reply, challenging aspects of opinions from almost all of Plaintiffs' experts. ECF Nos. 437-438 (Deleon); ECF Nos. 439-440 (Elhauge); ECF Nos. 441-442 (Berndt and Lamb); ECF Nos. 443-444 (Johnston); ECF Nos. 445-446 (Lamb); ECF Nos. 485-486 (Thomas); ECF No. 474, 623-628, 537-538 (replies). Forest's *Daubert* motions were accompanied by declarations with 51 exhibits (ECF Nos. 438, 440, 442, 444, 446, 476, 538, 678).

40. Class counsel had just three weeks to respond to all of these motions. Class counsel responded with a 64-page memorandum in opposition to Forest's summary judgment motion (ECF Nos. 455, 498, 526) and *Daubert* opposition briefing totaling 113 pages (ECF Nos.

493-497, 508, 651-655, 637). Class counsel also responded to Forest's 494-paragraph statement of facts and served their own 405-paragraph affirmative statement of facts and 535 exhibits. ECF Nos. 456, 499-502, 680. This led to an additional round of briefing on the propriety of Class counsel's affirmative fact statement (ECF Nos. 457-464) and multiple filings pertaining to supplemental authority (ECF Nos. 543, 548, 555, 557, 560).

41. In a comprehensive 99-page opinion dated August 2, 2018, the Court denied Forest's Motion for Summary Judgment, granted Plaintiffs' motion for Class Certification, and denied all but one of Forest's *Daubert* motions. ECF No. 570. Since then, the Court's opinion has been extensively cited.

XI. TRIAL PREPARATION

42. Class counsel were fully prepared to try this case. After denying Forest's motion to dismiss, the Court issued a Case Management Order that required the case to be trial ready within one year. ECF No. 128. Thus, at the same time that the parties were briefing summary judgment and *Daubert*, they were also engaged in meet-and-confers concerning the first Joint Pre-trial Order which was submitted on January 12, 2018. ECF Nos. 487-489. Class counsel also prepared their 94-page trial contentions, their trial exhibit list, and a joint list of deposition designations, and objections to deposition designations and exhibits. At the same time, Class counsel submitted to chambers their proposed *voir dire*, a proposed verdict form, and a 120-page set of proposed jury instructions.

43. After the Court's opinion denying Forest's Motion for Summary Judgment (ECF No. 570), the Court entered a scheduling order setting a trial date and requiring the parties to submit a revised Joint Pre-trial Order. ECF No. 688. The parties prepared and submitted a revised pretrial order on April 30, 2019. ECF No. 699.

44. Class counsel prepared their live witness examinations, both directs and crosses for Plaintiffs' case in chief, and cross examinations for Forest's case in chief, both for Phase 1 and for Phase 2.

45. Class counsel filed 16 motions *in limine* comprising over 80 pages of briefing, and opposed Forest's 16 motions *in limine*, which comprised 110 pages of briefing. ECF Nos. 721-736, 737-801, 811-854. The Court ruled on August 2, 2019. ECF No. 859. Although Class counsel lost their bid to exclude Forest's evidence that threatened to reduce the magnitude of its reverse payment to Mylan, Class counsel largely prevailed in motions *in limine*, securing rulings, *inter alia*, that:

- a. Class counsel's experts could testify about statistical outcomes in Hatch-Waxman patent litigation;
- b. The rule of reason framework did not apply to the Lexapro Amendment;
- c. Post-Lexapro Amendment sales history was relevant and admissible to impeach Forest's Lexapro forecasts;
- d. Forest could not justify its reverse payment by pointing to the avoided risk of competition.

46. The Court then set a final pre-trial conference. ECF Nos. 863, 868. The final pre-trial conference resolved numerous issues and questions regarding the admissibility of exhibits. ECF Nos. 886, 891. It also gave rise to additional briefing on the issue of how the "largeness" of a reverse payment is measured under *Actavis*, and the extent to which patent infringement and invalidity evidence should be offered at trial. ECF Nos. 895, 897, 899, 907.

47. Ultimately, the parties reached agreement on a settlement in principle hours before jury selection was set to start on October 28, 2019.

XII. MEDIATION AND SETTLEMENT

48. In March 2017, Class counsel and Forest engaged in direct discussions to attempt an early resolution of this case.

49. The parties next engaged in settlement discussions in the Fall of 2018, retaining Jonathan Marks, one of the nation's preeminent mediators. The parties engaged in multiple individual sessions over the course of several months, which led to a March 2019 joint session at the offices of White & Case LLP in Manhattan.

50. As part of that process, Class counsel provided Mr. Marks with voluminous submissions drafted specifically for the mediation. The final mediation session in March 2019 lasted a full day, but the parties could not reach a resolution.

51. Starting in September 2019, the parties engaged in additional mediation efforts before retired United States District Court Judge Faith S. Hochberg, a highly distinguished mediator and jurist. Judge Hochberg brought with her a wealth of experience assessing the risks of trial, including in patent and antitrust cases, including direct purchaser Hatch-Waxman antitrust cases such as *In re Remeron Antitrust Litigation* and *In re Neurontin Antitrust Litigation*, both of which involved Class counsel and the latter of which involved Forest's trial counsel.

52. The mediation before Judge Hochberg included multiple individual sessions and another full-day joint session, and laid the groundwork for the parties' ultimate settlement, reached with the assistance of the Court's staff the night before a jury was to be selected.

XIII. THE SETTLEMENT

53. On December 24, 2019, Class counsel filed a fully-executed settlement agreement with the Court. ECF No. 919-1. The Settlement provides for the payment by Forest of \$750 million into an interest-bearing escrow account for the benefit of all Class members.

54. In their Motion for Preliminary Approval (ECF No. 917), Class counsel requested that the Court preliminarily approve the settlement, approve notice to the Class, and set a schedule leading up to and including a Fairness Hearing. In preparation for filing that motion, Class counsel entered into an escrow agreement with a proposed escrow agent for maintenance of the settlement fund and engaged a proposed claims administrator to assist with the notice process. Class counsel's request for preliminary approval was also posted on the GGF and Berger Montague PC websites.

55. On January 6, 2020, the Court concluded that that the settlement between the Class and Forest was arrived at by arms-length negotiations by highly experienced counsel after years of litigation and fell within the range of possibly approvable settlements, and preliminarily approved it. ECF No. 920. Concurrently, the Court appointed an escrow agent and claims administrator, approved a form of notice to the class and set a schedule. *Id.*

56. Thereafter, Forest deposited the settlement fund into an escrow account that is earning interest for the benefit of the Class, and the claims administrator duly mailed the written notice to class members on February 12, 2020.

57. Class members have until March 30, 2020 to object to the settlement or any of its terms and/or to Class counsel's request for attorneys' fees, unreimbursed expenses and an incentive awards to the class representatives. As of the date of this Declaration, no objections have been received. If any objections are received between the date of this Declaration and March 30, 2020, the Court will promptly be notified, and such objections will be addressed in Plaintiffs' upcoming submission for final approval of the settlement, due on April 21, 2020.

XIV. SUMMARY OF ATTORNEYS' FEES AND UNREIMBURSED EXPENSES

58. Class counsel are highly-skilled and nationally-respected law firms and have over two decades of extensive experience prosecuting and trying pharmaceutical antitrust cases

(including cases challenging reverse-payment settlements of patent litigation) on behalf of the same core class of direct purchasers.

59. At all junctures of this litigation, Class counsel faced substantial risk. A number of previous reverse-payment cases have been dismissed after significant outlays of time and expenses by Class counsel because of intervening judicial decisions.

60. For instance, in 2010, over the Honorable Rosemary S. Pooler's dissent, the Second Circuit, *en banc*, affirmed a district court's grant of summary judgment in favor of defendants in a case alleging a \$400 million cash reverse payment concerning the drug Cipro, because of the then-emerging "scope-of-the-patent" test. *See Ark. Carpenters Health & Welfare Fund v. Bayer AG*, 604 F.3d 98 (2d Cir.), *reh'g denied*, 625 F.3d 779 (2d Cir. 2010). Three years later, after denying *certiorari* in *Cipro*, the Supreme Court issued its opinion in *FTC v. Actavis, Inc.*, 570 U.S. 136 (2013), enabling a later-filing group of Cipro indirect purchasers to reach settlements in California state court worth hundreds of millions of dollars. *See In re Cipro Cases I & II*, 348 P.3d 845 (Cal. 2015), *on remand*, 2018 Cal. App. Unpub. LEXIS 3258, at *3 (Cal. Ct. App. May 14, 2018) (settlement described). The Cipro direct purchasers made no recovery despite the expenditure of significant time and money by Class counsel.

61. Even after *Actavis* was decided, dismissals of other cases at the Rule 12 and Rule 56 stages quickly revealed that *Actavis* was no panacea for the risk these cases present. *See In re Wellbutrin XL Antitrust Litig.*, 133 F. Supp. 3d 734 (E.D. Pa. 2015) (summary judgment in reverse payment case); *In re Actos End Payor Antitrust Litig.*, 2015 WL 5610752 (S.D.N.Y. Sept. 22, 2015) (pre-answer dismissal in reverse payment case); *In re Effexor XR Antitrust Litig.*, 2014 WL 4988410 (D.N.J. Oct. 6, 2014) (same); *In re Lipitor Antitrust Litig.*, 46 F. Supp. 3d 523 (D.N.J. 2014) (same); *In re Loestrin 24 Fe Antitrust Litig.*, 45 F. Supp. 3d 180 (D.R.I. 2014)

(same); *In re Lamictal Direct Purchaser Antitrust Litig.*, 18 F. Supp. 3d 560 (D.N.J. 2014) (same). *See also Mylan Pharm. Inc. v. Warner Chilcott Pub. Ltd. Co.*, 838 F.3d 421 (3d Cir. 2016) (affirming summary disposition of product hop case). Some of these dismissals were affirmed in whole or part, while others were reversed.

62. Getting to a jury was no guarantee of success in these cases, either. *E.g.*, *In re Nexium (Esomeprazole) Antitrust Litig.*, 842 F.3d 34, 39 (1st Cir. 2016) (upholding jury verdict “that although the plaintiffs had proved an antitrust violation in the form of a large and unjustified reverse payment from AstraZeneca to Ranbaxy, the plaintiffs had not shown that they had suffered an antitrust injury that entitled them to damages”). *See also La. Wholesale Drug Co. v. Sanofi-Aventis*, 2009 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 77206, at *3 (S.D.N.Y. Aug. 28, 2009) (jury concluded that defendant’s petitioning of FDA was not “objectively baseless”).

63. The Court directly referenced the risk assumed by Class counsel in this case. The Court expressly observed in its motion to dismiss opinion that “viewed in isolation, the settlement terms do not appear anticompetitive,” and warned Class counsel that “[t]o survive a motion for summary judgment, Plaintiffs will have to substantiate these allegations with evidence suggesting that the settlement agreements did, in fact, delay generic entry and that the delay had the effect of allowing Forest to complete the hard switch.” ECF No. 106 at 31-32.

64. Thus, Class counsel were acutely aware not only of the inherent risks that come with prosecuting a complex antitrust case and bringing it towards trial, but also of the additional risks of litigating such a case in an area of law that is newly developing subsequent to the issuance of a landmark Supreme Court decision such as *Actavis*.

65. Plaintiffs’ claims could have been dismissed in their entirety at any time, particularly in view of the rapidly-evolving law, which forced Class counsel to continuously

refine their case theories and strategies. And, absent the settlement with Forest, if a jury had found in favor of Forest at trial, Class counsel's lengthy and protracted efforts, undertaken at great time and expense on behalf of the Class, would have been for naught. Even if successful before a jury, appellate and Supreme Court risks would remain.

66. Despite the risks outlined above, Class counsel diligently prosecuted this case for almost five years. In doing so, Class counsel: (a) reviewed a voluminous amount of documents; (b) successfully defeated Forest's motions to dismiss and for summary judgment; (c) obtained collateral estoppel as to two factual issues; (d) took or defended 46 depositions (took 25 fact depositions and eight expert depositions; defended two fact depositions and 11 expert depositions); (e) consulted with and retained nine experts; (f) briefed and argued extensive discovery motions pertaining to numerous topics, most significantly, on issues pertaining to privilege; (g) obtained class certification, and survived interlocutory review; (h) prepared the case for trial including all fact witness, expert witness, and exhibit work; (i) briefed 32 motions *in limine*, prevailing on several important ones; and (j) engaged in protracted negotiations concerning the execution of a settlement agreement that embodied the parties' agreement in principle.

67. Litigating this case has involved significant effort on Class counsel's part, both in terms of time and resources spent. Class counsel had to constantly formulate and refine their theories of liability, causation and damages both in response to legal developments and in anticipation of arguments that Forest was likely to raise — and often did raise — throughout the stages of the litigation.

68. Forest has been represented by some of the country's leading law firms who have vigorously defended Forest against Plaintiffs' claims at all junctures.

69. Class counsel believe that the settlement with the Defendants represents an outstanding outcome for the Class, on a risk-adjusted basis and otherwise.

70. The following chart summarizes the aggregate time and necessary and incidental expenses of all Class counsel, as set forth in more detail in the separate firm declarations of Class counsel, appended here as Exhibits A-F:

Ex.	Firm Name	Hours	Lodestar	Expenses (Litigation Fund Contributions and Otherwise)
A	Berger & Montague, P.C.	12,470.80	\$ 7,391,532.60	\$ 1,091,301.87
B	Faruqi & Faruqi LLP	9,699.50	6,708,490.00	873,203.86
C	Garwin Gerstein & Fisher LLP	9,268.15	7,943,403.75	1,020,625.89
D	Heim Payne & Chorush LLP	4,243.80	2,789,083.25	951,166.79
E	Odom & Des Roches	10,135.60	6,205,356.25	940,397.65
F	Smith Segura & Raphael LLP	6,294.80	3,731,142.50	947,232.85
	TOTALS	52,112.65	\$ 34,769,008.35	\$ 5,823,928.91

71. The expenses paid from the litigation fund were as follows:

LITIGATION FUND DISBURSEMENTS	
Expense Category	Amount
Bank charges for litigation fund itself	\$ 204.85
Claims/notice administration	9,079.90
Deposition transcripts	117,777.47
Drug sales data	41,963.41
Expert witnesses	4,171,257.92
Litigation support document database/processing	343,051.43
Private mediation services	40,992.00
Subpoena/summons service	5,924.00
Transcripts of in-court hearings	781.19
Trial technology vendors	148,162.39
TOTAL	\$ 4,879,194.56

72. The other expenses of each firm, combined, were as follows:

FIRM DISBURSEMENTS FOR LITIGATION EXPENSES	
Expense Category	Amount
Experts	\$ 186,642.47
Court reporter	725.00
Document database	96,406.73
Filing fees/court costs	5,339.62
Postage/air express/messengers	12,493.60

FIRM DISBURSEMENTS FOR LITIGATION EXPENSES	
Expense Category	Amount
Process server and subpoena expenses	20,620.50
Reproduction costs	94,872.24
Research and datasets	119,554.73
Telephone/teleconference/facsimile	7,620.69
Travel/hotel/meals	359,742.82
Trial expenses (furniture and equipment)	16,859.85
Miscellaneous	3,628.13
TOTAL	\$ 924,506.38

73. There is currently a balance in the litigation fund in the amount of \$20,227.97.

74. Detailed time records and expense vouchers/receipts are available to the Court *in camera* should the Court wish to examine them.

XV. THE EFFORTS OF THE CLASS REPRESENTATIVES ON BEHALF OF THE CLASS

75. The two class representatives — Smith and RDC — both made a significant contribution in prosecuting Plaintiffs' claims against Defendants for the benefit of all class members. The class representatives each actively protected the Class's interests by filing the suit on behalf of the Class and undertaking all the responsibilities involved in being a named plaintiff, including monitoring the progress of the case, and responding to discovery requests.

76. Discovery was a significant burden to the class representatives in this case. Specifically, in accordance with the ESI order, each class representative executed broad document searches and collections, based on keywords negotiated with Defendants, and the resulting document productions comprised over 50,000 pages and 130,000 lines of purchase and chargeback data.

77. Forest moved to compel more discovery from the class representatives. ECF Nos. 245-247, 254, 257, 276, 281. RDC's adequacy was challenged multiple times. ECF Nos. 640-641, 763-764.

78. Each of the class representatives also searched for and collected up to 9 years of transactional data reflecting invoice-level purchases and chargebacks.

79. These discovery efforts required that employees of the class representatives take time away from their regular job functions in order to comply.

80. Each of the class representatives was also deposed. One was fully prepared to testify on the first day of Plaintiffs' case at trial, and both were fully prepared to monitor the proceedings through verdict. Smith Drug's witness had to leave a family wedding to be prepared for his trial testimony.

81. The class representatives were required to expend time and effort that was not compensated over the several years that Class counsel pressed Plaintiffs' claims against Forest.

82. In recognition of its time and effort expended for the benefit of the Class, Class counsel request an incentive award of \$150,000.00 for each of the class representatives.

I, Bruce E. Gerstein, pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1746, declare under penalty of perjury that the above is true and correct.

Dated: March 13, 2020

/s/ Bruce E. Gerstein
BRUCE E. GERSTEIN

EXHIBIT A

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK**

IN RE NAMENDA DIRECT PURCHASER ANTITRUST LITIGATION	Case No. 1:15-cv-07488-CM-RWL
THIS DOCUMENT RELATES TO: All Direct Purchaser Actions	

**DECLARATION OF DAVID F. SORENSEN ON BEHALF OF
BERGER MONTAGUE PC IN SUPPORT OF CLASS COUNSEL’S MOTION FOR
ATTORNEYS’ FEES, REIMBURSEMENT OF EXPENSES AND INCENTIVE AWARDS
FOR THE NAMED PLAINTIFFS**

David F. Sorensen, subject to the penalties of perjury provided by 18 U.S.C. § 1746, does hereby declare as follows:

1. I am a Managing Shareholder in the law firm Berger Montague PC, attorneys for Plaintiff Rochester Drug Co-Operative, Inc. and Co-Lead Counsel for the Direct Purchaser Class in the above-captioned case. I am admitted to practice *pro hac vice* in this matter. I submit this declaration in support of Direct Purchaser Plaintiffs’ Motion for Attorneys’ Fees, Reimbursement of Expenses, and Incentive Awards for the Named Plaintiffs.

2. During the course of this litigation, my firm has been involved in various activities on behalf of the Direct Purchaser Class. Chief among those activities were:

- Investigating the case and helping to prepare Rochester Drug Co-Operative, Inc.’s complaint in this matter;
- Drafting sections of Plaintiffs’ Motion for Collateral Estoppel and Partial Summary Judgment on Count One;
- Participating in negotiations with counsel for defendants concerning various procedural orders and stipulations in the case;
- Reviewing, analyzing, and digesting hundreds of thousands of pages of documents and data produced by defendants (and third parties), and participating

in all aspects of discovery on economic matters and damages, and relating to class certification;

- Pursuing certain third parties for discovery in this case, which involved the preparation of two motions to compel and a motion to transfer a subpoena proceeding to the Southern District of New York;
- Working with economic experts regarding the underlying theories of antitrust violation, class certification, economic impact, and assessment of damages;
- Deposing three fact witnesses and one defense expert, and defending four expert depositions (involving three experts; one expert was deposed twice);
- Drafting papers in support of the motion for class certification, responding to defendants' opposition papers, responding to questions from the Court regarding class certification, and opposing defendants' Rule 23(f) petition;
- Participating in drafting various briefs and related filings, including: the opposition to Defendants' motion for summary judgment; oppositions to *Daubert* motions; affirmative *Daubert* motions; affirmative motions *in limine*; oppositions to Forest's motions *in limine*; and briefing regarding the meaning of "large" under *FTC v. Actavis, Inc.* 570 U.S. 136 (2013);
- Selecting and preparing economic evidence for inclusion in Plaintiffs' exhibit lists, deposition designations, and other final pretrial submissions filed in January 2018, and revising those submissions in accordance with the Court's directives for re-submission in April 2019; and taking the lead role in drafting proposed jury instructions;
- Preparing direct and cross-examinations and exhibits for trial, scheduled to begin in October 2019; and
- Participating in settlement discussions with defendants through multiple rounds of mediation, which resulted in the \$750 million settlement.

3. All attorneys, paralegals and staff at my firm were instructed to keep contemporaneous time records reflecting their time spent on this case and did so.

4. The schedule below reports the time spent by my firm's attorneys, paralegals, and staff in this case from inception until the time of this motion, excluding time relating to this motion. All hourly rates are as of December 31, 2019, unless a person had left the firm previously, in which case the rate is the person's rate as of the time of departure from the firm.

Professional's Name	Position/Status	Total Hours	Hourly Rate as of Dec. 31, 2019	Total Lodestar
Sorensen, David	Managing Shareholder	1,441.90	\$940	\$1,355,386.00
Parker, Phyllis	Shareholder	1,878.10	\$635	\$1,192,593.5
Noteware, Ellen	Shareholder	1,152.30	\$705	\$812,371.50
Coslett, Caitlin	Shareholder	70.5	\$590	\$41,595.00
Curley, Andrew	Shareholder	7.3	\$645	\$4,708.50
Clairmont, Joy	Shareholder	0.3	\$635	\$190.50
Simons, Daniel	Senior Counsel	3,542.90	\$640	\$2,267,456.00
Schwartz, Richard	Senior Counsel	8.3	\$510	\$4,233.00
Urban, Nicholas	Associate	967.5	\$530	\$512,775.00
Ripley, Josh	Associate	15.9	\$420	\$6,678.00
Chaudhury, Aurelia	Associate	13.3	\$400	\$5,320.00
Sauder, Karissa	Former Associate (as of 1/20)	3.2	\$410	\$1,312.00
Listwa, Daniel	Staff Attorney	523.9	\$500	\$261,950.00
Bucher, Matthew	Contract Attorney	131	\$360	\$47,160.00
Tyson, Steven	Contract Attorney	45.3	\$400	\$18,120.00
Shappell, David	Former Paralegal (as of 6/19)	921.2	\$310	\$285,572.00
Werwinski, Diane	Paralegal	714.1	\$340	\$242,794.00
Arteaga, Alexandra	Paralegal	181	\$310	\$56,110.00
Frohbergh, Patricia	Former Paralegal (Contract Paralegal as of 5/17)	417.8	\$345	\$144,141.00
Kerr, Joseph	Former Paralegal (as of 7/18)	275.5	\$305 (2018 rate)	\$84,027.50
Matteo, Shawn	Former Paralegal (as of 7/17)	88	\$330 (2017 rate)	\$29,040.00
York, Elizabeth	Paralegal	22.3	\$340	\$7,582.00
Stein, Mark	Director of Research	13.5	\$340	\$4,590.00
Choe, Caroline	Paralegal	2.3	\$300	\$690.00
Filbert, David	Paralegal	0.7	\$340	\$238.00
Green, Ruben	Paralegal	3.5	\$285	\$997.50
Magnus, Eleanor	Legal Assistant	20.6	\$160	\$3,296.00
Fox, Barry	Senior Software Engineer	5	\$83.49	\$417.45
Rajendran, Arun	Database Analyst	1.3	\$43	\$55.90
McCullum, Sandy	Litigation Support Manager	2.3	\$57.50	\$132.25
Totals:		12,470.80		\$7,391,532.60

5. My firm has also incurred a total of \$1,091,301.87 in unreimbursed expenses in connection with the prosecution of the litigation. These expenses were reasonably and necessarily incurred in connection with this litigation and include:

Expense	Amount
Court reporter	\$725.00
Document database	\$96,406.73
Filing fees/court costs	\$797.00
Litigation fund assessment	\$848,000.00
Postage/air express/messengers	\$1,752.23
Reproduction costs (outside vendor)	\$59,237.27
Research and datasets	\$36,612.37
Telephone/teleconference/facsimile	\$517.70
Travel/hotel/meals	\$47,253.57
Total:	\$1,091,301.87

6. The expenses incurred in this action are also reflected on the books and records of my firm. These books and records are prepared from expense vouchers, receipts and other source material and accurately record the expenses incurred.

7. Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1746, I declare under the penalties of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed this 6th day of March, 2020.



David F. Sorensen

EXHIBIT B

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK**

IN RE NAMENDA DIRECT PURCHASER ANTITRUST LITIGATION	Case No. 1:15-cv-07488-CM-RWL
THIS DOCUMENT RELATES TO: All Direct Purchaser Actions	

**DECLARATION OF PETER KOHN ON BEHALF OF FARUQI & FARUQI LLP
IN SUPPORT OF CLASS COUNSEL’S MOTION FOR ATTORNEYS’ FEES,
REIMBURSEMENT OF EXPENSES AND INCENTIVE AWARDS FOR THE NAMED
PLAINTIFFS**

Peter Kohn, subject to the penalties of perjury provided by 18 U.S.C. § 1746, does hereby declare as follows:

1. I am a partner in the law firm Faruqi & Faruqi LLP, attorneys for Plaintiff Rochester Drug Co-Operative, Inc. (“RDC”), and one of the firms representing the Direct Purchaser Class in the above-captioned case. I am admitted to practice *pro hac vice* in this matter. I submit this declaration in support of Class Counsel’s Motion for Attorneys’ Fees, Reimbursement of Expenses, and Incentive Awards for the Named Plaintiffs.

2. During the course of this litigation, my firm has been involved in various activities on behalf of the Direct Purchaser Class. Chief among those activities are:

- Investigation of the case and preparing the complaint on behalf of RDC;
- Drafting discovery requests directed to Defendants;
- Drafting subpoenas directed to third parties;
- Engaging in meet and confers with third parties regarding subpoenas;
- Drafting discovery responses and conducting document review for responsive discovery on behalf of RDC;
- Preparing for and defending the Rule 30(b)(6) deposition of RDC;

- Reviewing documents and other materials, and assisting in preparing for and taking depositions of fact witnesses, as they pertained to causation and generic entry, including Maureen Cavanaugh, Lauren Rabinovic, Jinping McCormick, and Robert Lahman;
- Assisting expert witnesses Russell Lamb, Ph.D. and Ernst Berndt, Ph.D. in connection with their expert reports;
- Preparing for and defending the depositions of Drs. Lamb and Berndt;
- Preparing for and taking the deposition of Defendants' economic expert Lona Fowdur, Ph.D.;
- Drafting and assisting in drafting briefing (1) in opposition to Defendants' motion to dismiss; (2) in opposition to Defendants' motion to disqualify Drs. Lamb and Berndt; (3) in support of Plaintiffs' motions for partial summary judgment; (4) in support of Plaintiffs' motion for class certification and in opposition to Defendants' Rule 23(f) petition; (5) in opposition to Defendants' *Daubert* motions and motion for summary judgment; (6) in support of Plaintiffs' motions *in limine*; (7) in opposition to Defendants' motions *in limine*; and (8) in support of Plaintiffs' positions in various trial briefing disputes;
- Preparing for trial, including designating deposition testimony, identifying and assembling trial exhibits, drafting proposed jury instructions, reviewing and objecting to Defendants' designated testimony and proposed trial exhibits, and preparing other materials in connection with the original and amended pretrial order; and
- Preparing for live witnesses at trial, including (1) drafting trial examinations, preparing demonstratives, and selecting trial exhibits for Dr. Berndt; and (2) drafting cross examination for Dr. Fowdur, and anticipated witnesses for the Phase 2 part of the trial, including Brenton Saunders, Lei Meng, Mark Devlin, Julie Snyder, Dr. Marco Taglietti, James Finchen, June Bray, Dr. Lu-Marie Polivka-West, Dr. Barry Rovner, William Kane, William Meury, and assisting with preparation of outlines for other witnesses.

3. All attorneys and paralegals at my firm were instructed to keep contemporaneous time records reflecting their time spent on this case, and did so.

4. The schedule below reports the time spent by my firm's attorneys and paralegals in this case from inception until the date of the within motion, excluding time relating to this motion:

Professional's Name	Position/Status	Total Hours	Hourly Rate as of 2019	Total Lodestar
Peter Kohn	Partner	1010.10	\$925.00	\$ 934,342.50
Joseph Lukens	Partner	2852.10	900.00	2,566,890.00
Adam Steinfeld	Partner	469.80	750.00	352,350.00
Bradley Demuth	Partner	34.20	775.00	26,505.00
Stephen Doherty	Counsel	1730.50	650.00	1,124,825.00
Neill Clark	Counsel	292.80	750.00	219,600.00
Elizabeth Silva	Former Associate	151.60	500.00	75,800.00
David Calvello	Associate	435.90	475.00	207,052.50
Kristyn Fields	Associate	2093.20	475.00	994,270.00
Andrew Coyle	Former Associate	173.00	400.00	69,200.00
Derek Behnke	Paralegal	31.70	400.00	12,680.00
Daniela Mercado	Former Paralegal	27.70	325.00	9,002.50
Michael LoBosco	Former Paralegal	23.30	325.00	7,572.50
Michelle Moyes	Former Paralegal	2.00	275.00	550.00
Anthony Aloise	Paralegal	41.50	350.00	14,525.00
Julianna Dietz	Former Paralegal	101.90	300.00	30,570.00
Timothy Thompson	Paralegal	222.80	275.00	61,270.00
Brian Giacalone	Paralegal	5.40	275.00	1,485.00
Totals:		9,699.5		\$ 6,708,490.00

5. My firm has also incurred a total of \$873,203.86 in unreimbursed expenses in connection with the prosecution of the litigation. These expenses were reasonably and necessarily incurred in connection with this litigation and include:

Expense	Amount
Filing fees/court costs	\$ 1,351.00
Reproduction costs (outside vendor)	34.56
Research and datasets	3,467.63
Telephone/teleconference/facsimile	447.52
Travel/hotel/meals	19,903.15
Litigation fund assessment	848,000.00
Total:	\$ 873,203.86

6. The expenses incurred in this action are also reflected on the books and records of my firm. These books and records are prepared from expense vouchers, receipts and other source material and accurately record the expenses incurred.

7. Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1746, I declare under the penalties of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed this 10th day of March, 2020.



PETER KOHN

EXHIBIT C

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK**

IN RE NAMENDA DIRECT PURCHASER ANTITRUST LITIGATION	Case No. 1:15-cv-07488-CM-RWL
THIS DOCUMENT RELATES TO: All Direct Purchaser Actions	

**DECLARATION OF BRUCE E. GERSTEIN ON BEHALF OF GARWIN GERSTEIN &
FISHER LLP IN SUPPORT OF CLASS COUNSEL’S MOTION FOR ATTORNEYS’
FEES, REIMBURSEMENT OF EXPENSES AND INCENTIVE AWARDS FOR THE
NAMED PLAINTIFFS**

I, Bruce E. Gerstein, subject to the penalties of perjury provided by 18 U.S.C. § 1746, do hereby declare as follows:

1. I am the managing partner in the law firm Garwin Gerstein & Fisher LLP (“GGF”), one of the law firms appointed as Co-Lead Counsel for the Direct Purchaser Class (the “Class”) in the above-captioned case. I submit this declaration in support of Class Counsel’s Motion for Attorneys’ Fees, Reimbursement of Expenses, and Incentive Awards for the Named Plaintiffs. The factual matters set forth and assertions made herein are true and correct to the best of my knowledge, information and belief.

2. As Co-Lead Counsel, I have been responsible for all aspects of the above-captioned litigation starting from its inception through the negotiation of the Class’s settlement with Defendants and continuing.

3. My firm worked on all aspects of the case and guided the litigation at all of its stages, including, among other things:

- Overall case management and strategy;

- Drafting discovery requests (e.g., requests for production, and interrogatories) concerning all aspects of the case;
- Reviewing documents and other materials, and taking at least eight depositions of fact witnesses;
- Researching, retaining, and assisting experts Prof. Einer Elhauge, Prof. Ernst Berndt and James Bruno in preparing their expert reports;
- Preparing for and/or defending the depositions of Prof. Elhauge, and Mr. Bruno;
- Preparing for and taking the deposition of Defendants' experts, Phillip Green and Alexandra Mooney Bonelli;
- Participating in oral argument on various issues including Plaintiffs' motion for collateral estoppel and privilege disputes;
- Drafting and assisting in drafting briefing (1) in opposition to Defendants' motion to dismiss; (2) in support of Plaintiffs' motion for partial summary judgment and collateral estoppel; (3) on various discovery related issues including privilege related issues; (4) in opposition to Defendants' motion for summary judgment; (5) in support of Plaintiffs' motions *in limine*; (6) in opposition to Defendants' motions *in limine*; and (7) in support of Plaintiffs' positions in various trial briefing disputes;
- Designating deposition testimony, identifying and assembling trial exhibits, drafting proposed jury instructions, reviewing and objecting to Defendants' designated testimony and proposed trial exhibits, negotiating with Defendants and otherwise preparing other materials in connection with the original and amended pretrial order;
- Preparing for trial including (1) working with and drafting trial examinations, preparing demonstratives, and selecting trial exhibits for Profs. Elhauge and Berndt and Mr. Bruno; and (2) drafting cross examination outlines for Mr. Green and various fact witnesses; and
- All aspects of settlement.

4. All attorneys, paralegals and support staff at my firm were instructed to keep contemporaneous time records reflecting their time spent on this case, and did so.

5. The schedule below reports the time spent by my firm's attorneys, paralegals and staff in this case from inception until the date of this motion, excluding time relating to this motion:

Professional's Name	Position/Status	Total Hours	2019 Hourly Rate	Total Lodestar
Bruce E. Gerstein	Partner	1,035.75	\$1,280	\$1,325,760.00
Jonathan M. Gerstein	Partner	91.50	\$800	\$73,200.00
Kimberly M. Hennings	Partner	231.30	\$800	\$185,040.00
Dan Litvin	Partner	3,585.50	\$800	\$2,868,400.00
Joseph Opper	Partner	1,580.85	\$1,125	\$1,778,456.25
Noah H. Silverman	Partner	618.00	\$1,050	\$648,900.00
Scott Levy	Former Associate	370.75	\$725.00	\$268,793.75
Anna Tydniouk	Associate	311.50	\$750	\$233,625.00
Aakruti Vakharia	Associate	328.50	\$435	\$142,897.50
Claire Cimino	Paralegal	55.00	\$425	\$23,375.00
Rimma Neman	Legal Assistant	11.5	\$275	\$3,162.50
Susan Roth	Legal Assistant/Paralegal	644.50	\$425	\$273,912.50
Apolinar Uriarte	Paralegal	245.25	\$400.00	\$98,100.00
Avery Wolff	Legal Assistant	158.25	\$125	\$19,781.25
Totals:		9,268.15		\$7,943,403.75

6. My firm has also incurred a total of \$1,020,625.89 in unreimbursed expenses in connection with the prosecution of the litigation. These expenses were reasonably and necessarily incurred in connection with this litigation and include:

Expense	Amount
Court reporter	\$ 1,710.94
Filing fees/court costs	\$ 825.00
Litigation fund assessments	\$ 848,000.00
Postage/air Express/messengers	\$ 2,250.12
Process server and subpoena expenses	\$ 12,156.00
Research and datasets	\$ 64,662.62
Telephone/teleconference/facsimile	\$ 3,822.82
Travel/hotel/meals	\$ 54,333.91
Miscellaneous	\$ 744.63
Reproduction costs	\$ 15,260.00
Trial expenses	\$ 16,859.85
Total:	\$ 1,020,625.89

7. The expenses incurred in this action are also reflected on the books and records of my firm. These books and records are prepared from expense vouchers, receipts and other source material and accurately record the expenses incurred.

8. Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1746, I declare under the penalties of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

9. Executed this 10th day of March, 2020.

/s/ Bruce E. Gerstein

Bruce E. Gerstein

EXHIBIT D

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK**

IN RE NAMENDA DIRECT PURCHASER ANTITRUST LITIGATION	Case No. 1:15-cv-07488-CM-RWL
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**DECLARATION OF RUSSELL A. CHORUSH ON BEHALF OF HEIM, PAYNE &
CHORUSH, LLP IN SUPPORT OF CLASS COUNSEL'S MOTION FOR ATTORNEYS'
FEES, REIMBURSEMENT OF EXPENSES AND INCENTIVE AWARDS FOR THE
NAMED PLAINTIFFS**

I, Russell A. Chorush, subject to the penalties of perjury provided by 18 U.S.C. § 1746, do hereby declare as follows:

1. I am a partner in the law firm Heim, Payne & Chorush, LLP ("HPC"), attorneys for Plaintiff J M Smith Corporation and one of the firms representing the Direct Purchaser Class in the above-captioned case. I am admitted to practice *pro hac vice* in this matter. I submit this declaration in support of Class Counsel's Motion for Attorneys' Fees, Reimbursement of Expenses, and Incentive Awards for the Named Plaintiffs.

2. HPC is the law firm primarily responsible for patent-related issues in the above-captioned case. During the course of this litigation, HPC was involved in various activities on behalf of the Direct Purchaser Class related to patents and patent law. Chief among those activities were:

- Drafting discovery requests (e.g., requests for production, and interrogatories) that involved patent issues;
- Reviewing documents and other materials, and assisting in preparing for and taking depositions of fact witnesses, as they pertained to patent issues;

- Researching, retaining, and assisting experts Mr. George Johnston, Dr. Nathan Herrmann and Dr. Lon Schneider in preparing their expert reports;
- Preparing for and defending the depositions of Mr. Johnston and Drs. Herrmann and Schneider;
- Preparing for and taking the deposition of Defendants’ patent experts, Dr. Martin Farlow, Dr. Roberto Malinow, Hon. Roderick McKelvie, and Mr. David Rosen;
- Drafting and assisting in drafting briefing (1) in opposition to Defendants’ motion to dismiss; (2) in opposition to Defendants’ motion to disqualify Dr. Schneider; (3) in support of Plaintiffs’ motions for partial summary judgment; (4) in opposition to Defendants’ motion for summary judgment; (5) in support of Plaintiffs’ motions *in limine*; (6) in opposition to Defendants’ motions *in limine*; and (7) in support of Plaintiffs’ positions in various trial briefing disputes;
- Designating deposition testimony, identifying and assembling trial exhibits, drafting proposed jury instructions, reviewing and objecting to Defendants’ designated testimony and proposed trial exhibits, and preparing other materials in connection with the original and amended pretrial order; and
- Preparing for trial including (1) working with and drafting trial examinations, preparing demonstratives, and selecting trial exhibits for Mr. Johnston and Drs. Herrmann and Schneider; and (2) drafting cross examination outlines for Drs. Malinow and Farlow, Hon. Roderick McKelvie and Mr. Rosen.

3. All attorneys, paralegals and legal assistants at my firm were instructed to keep contemporaneous time records reflecting their time spent on this case, and did so.

4. The schedule below reports the time spent by my firm’s attorneys, paralegals and legal assistants in this case from inception until the time of this motion, excluding time relating to this motion:

Professional’s Name	Position/Status	Total Hours	2019 Hourly Rate	Total Lodestar
Russell A. Chorush	Partner	1,879.00	\$865.00	\$1,625,335.00
Michael F. Heim	Partner	369.75	\$915.00	\$338,321.25
Eric J. Enger	Partner	269.75	\$650.00	\$175,337.50

Professional's Name	Position/Status	Total Hours	2019 Hourly Rate	Total Lodestar
Miranda Y. Jones	Former Partner	514.70	\$650.00	\$334,555.00
Blaine A. Larson	Partner	161.15	\$450.00	\$72,517.50
Alden G. Harris	Partner	2.50	\$450.00	\$1,125.00
Chris M. First	Partner	3.00	\$435.00	\$1,305.00
Carlos R. Ruiz	Associate	21.00	\$295.00	\$6,195.00
Emma W. Perry	Former Associate	271.00	\$275.00	\$74,525.00
Carrie J. Anderson	Paralegal	56.75	\$250.00	\$14,187.50
Amber L. Branum	Legal Assistant/Paralegal	663.95	\$210.00	\$139,429.50
Natasha M. Baudoin	Legal Assistant/Paralegal	30.25	\$200.00	\$6,050.00
Ericka Torres	Former Legal Assistant	1.00	\$200.00	\$200.00
Totals:		4,243.8		\$2,789,083.25

5. My firm has also incurred a total of \$951,166.79 in unreimbursed expenses in connection with the prosecution of the litigation. These expenses were reasonably and necessarily incurred in connection with this litigation and include:

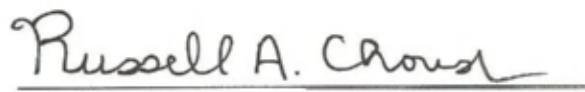
Expense	Amount
Payments to experts	\$186,642.47
Filing fees/court costs	\$1,254.08
Litigation fund assessments	\$659,422.53
Postage/air Express/messengers	\$4,384.89
Process server and subpoena expenses	\$440.00
Reproduction costs (outside vendor)	\$1,299.56

Expense	Amount
Research and datasets	\$6,961.07
Telephone/teleconference/facsimile	\$193.67
Travel/hotel/meals	\$89,395.96
Miscellaneous	\$1,172.56
Total:	\$951,166.79

6. The expenses incurred in this action are also reflected on the books and records of my firm. These books and records are prepared from expense vouchers, receipts and other source material and accurately record the expenses incurred.

7. Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1746, I declare under the penalties of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed this 9th day of March, 2020.



 Russell A. Chorush

EXHIBIT E

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK**

IN RE NAMENDA DIRECT PURCHASER ANTITRUST LITIGATION	Case No. 1:15-cv-07488-CM-RWL
THIS DOCUMENT RELATES TO: All Direct Purchaser Actions	

**DECLARATION OF STUART E. DES ROCHES ON BEHALF OF ODOM & DES
ROCHES, LLC IN SUPPORT OF MOTION FOR APPROVAL OF THE SETTLEMENT
AND MOTION FOR AN AWARD OF ATTORNEYS' FEES, REIMBURSEMENT OF
EXPENSES, AND INCENTIVE AWARDS FOR THE NAMED PLAINTIFFS**

Stuart E. Des Roches, subject to the penalties of perjury provided by 18 U.S.C. § 1746,
does hereby declare as follows:

1. I am a managing member of the law firm of Odom & Des Roches, LLC (hereinafter "the firm" or "ODR"). I submit this declaration in support of the Motion for Approval of the Settlement and the Motion for an Award of Attorneys' Fees, Reimbursement of Expenses, and Incentive Awards for the Named Plaintiffs.

Involvement in the Case

2. The firm has participated in this case as co-counsel for the Direct Purchaser Class Plaintiffs ("Class counsel").
3. The firm has been actively involved in this matter from initiation of the pre-filing investigation to the filing of the complaint; throughout fact and expert discovery;

in opposing dispositive motions; in preparing for trial; and participating in mediation sessions and reaching settlement with defendants Forest Laboratories, LLC, Actavis plc, Forest Laboratories, Inc., and Forest Laboratories, Holdings Ltd. (collectively, “Defendants” or “Forest”) on behalf of the Direct Purchaser Class Plaintiffs.

4. More specifically, ODR was involved in, among other things, conducting pre-filing investigations and analysis regarding: (a) the regulatory background underlying and pertaining to branded Namenda IR and XR, and the numerous Abbreviated New Drug Applications (“ANDA” or “ANDAs”) filed by generic manufacturers and naming Namenda IR as the reference listed drug; (b) the FDA approval package for Namenda XR in comparison to Namenda IR; (c) the impact of the Pediatric Exclusivity on FDA approval of the generic Namenda IR ANDAs in light of the ANDA filers’ maintenance of ANDAs containing paragraph IV certifications (as opposed to switching to paragraph III certifications) after settlement with Forest of the ‘703 patent lawsuits; and (d) the ability and willingness of generic ANDA filers to enter the market earlier with less-expensive, AB-rated generic versions of Namenda IR “but for” the patent settlement agreements with Forest.
5. Thereafter, Burlington Drug Company, Inc. (“Burlington Drug”), filed its complaint in the United States District Court for the Southern District of New York on May 29, 2015; J M Smith Corp. d/b/a Smith Drug Co. (“Smith Drug”) on September 22, 2015; and Rochester Drug C-Operative, Inc. (“RDC”) on December 28, 2015.

6. In each of those complaints, all of which were filed as class actions under Fed.R.Civ.P. 23, the Direct Purchaser Class Plaintiffs challenged both (a) Forest's patent settlement agreements with the generic ANDA first-filers that were seeking to market AB-rated generic versions of Namenda IR, and (b) Forest's hard-switch product hop from Namenda IR to Namenda XR. Initially, the Direct Purchaser Class Plaintiffs challenged agreements settling patent litigation between Forest and fourteen (14) generic ANDA filers but eventually narrowed the focus to challenging the settlement agreement between Forest and Mylan, the last of the generic ANDA filers to settle and the only generic to receive compensation for both attorneys' fees and an alleged sham "side deal" relating to the marketing of an authorized generic version of Forest's branded drug Lexapro. The Direct Purchaser Class Plaintiffs alleged that the patent settlement agreement between Forest and Mylan constituted an anticompetitive "reverse payment" deal in violation of Section 1 of the Sherman Act and sought damages under Section 4 of the Clayton Act.
7. The alleged reverse payment agreement between Forest and Mylan was the primary focus of the Direct Purchaser Class Plaintiffs in that it gave rise to the largest amount of overcharge damages and was a necessary precursor to Forest's subsequent product hop from Namenda IR to Namenda XR.
8. From the outset of this case, the efforts by all Class counsel were closely coordinated and highly organized. Class counsel representing the Direct Purchaser Class Plaintiffs in this case have worked together for over 21 years on Hatch-Waxman antitrust cases alleging impaired or delayed market entry of less-

expensive generic drugs. Efforts here were generally divided according to the expertise that each firm has built over the years with each issue team interacting with other teams to ensure that overall strategies and themes were consistent throughout. All Class counsel worked together to devise and implement an overall litigation plan, and ensured that all litigation tasks were appropriately staffed, pursued, and executed in an efficient and effective manner.

9. For its part, ODR participated with co-counsel in the following litigation tasks once the pre-filing investigation was completed and the complaints were filed: (a) drafting oppositions to Forest's motions to dismiss and for summary judgment, including drafting responses to Forest's detailed statement of facts supporting its summary judgment motions and in drafting an equally detailed counter statement of uncontested facts; (b) drafting the Direct Purchaser Class Plaintiffs' motions for summary judgment and motion for collateral estoppel; (c) drafting oppositions to some of Forest's *Daubert* motions and drafting affirmative *Daubert* motions; (c) drafting numerous requests for production, interrogatories, and third-party subpoenas; (d) participating in the meet-and-confer processes with generic ANDA filers regarding their responses and objections to producing documents and deponents in response to third-party subpoenas; (e) assisting in the review of over 4 million pages of documents obtained from defendants and third parties; (f) developing a searchable database which allowed efficient and meaningful access to the above-described documents; (g) constructing a deposition strategy and identifying key witnesses associated with Forest and third-parties for deposition, and then participating in depositions; (h) working with experts and consultants in

the fields of antitrust economics, the Hatch-Waxman Act, FDA regulations and procedures, and operation of pharmaceutical companies in terms of launch processes and capabilities; (j) preparing for and attending court hearings; (k) preparing for trial; and (l) preparing for and participating in several mediation sessions and settlement discussions.

10. ODR was a core member of the Direct Purchaser Class Plaintiffs' settlement and mediation team. This work involved, among other things, drafting portions of various mediation statements, including the causation sections describing the more competitive world that would have existed "but for" the reverse payment agreement between Forest and Mylan, and thereafter participating in negotiation sessions.
11. ODR was also a member of the Direct Purchaser Class Plaintiffs' trial team. The undersigned was designated by co-counsel to serve as Lead Trial Counsel for the Direct Purchaser Class; Andrew W. Kelly of the firm was designated to lead the examination for several key witnesses including that of the Direct Purchaser Class Plaintiffs' economics expert Prof. Einer Elhauge and third party generics; and Chris Letter was designated to help lead the trial war room. ODR's paralegals, namely Kimberly Fontenot and Amy Kennelly, were also key members of the trial team assisting in running the trial war room, preparing video-depositions to be shown at trial, preparing witness examination binders, working with computer and graphics technicians, and many additional essential tasks. These trial responsibilities required ODR to be involved in every aspect of trial preparation, such as: (a) compiling the initial Pre-Trial Order filed in January 2018 and the

later revised Pre-Trial Order filed in April 2019; (b) briefing and opposing a host of motions *in limine*; (c) moving to Manhattan in October 2019 in the lead up to the anticipated start of trial on October 28, 2019; (d) preparing for and participating in the multi-hour Final Pre-Trial Conference with the Court during which arguments were presented on Phase 1 trial exhibits; (e) selecting major trial themes and strategies; (f) selecting deposition testimony and exhibits to show to the jury; (g) deciding which fact and expert witnesses to present as well as the ordering of those witnesses; (h) creating demonstratives for the Court and jury; (i) researching the evidentiary bases for introduction of, or opposition to, key pieces of testimony and exhibits; (j) evaluating Forest's trial exhibits, deposition designations, and demonstratives for objections; (k) engaging in meet-and-confers with defense counsel regarding objections to various evidentiary and presentation issues, including attempted stipulations as to the willingness and ability of generic manufacturers to enter the market earlier; (l) preparing for the direct examination of some of plaintiffs' expert witnesses; (m) preparing for the cross-examination of some of Forest's live fact and expert witnesses; (n) preparing for the presentation of the opening statement; and (o) working with a jury consultant and preparing to pick the jury.

Attorneys' Fees and Costs/Expenses

12. Prosecution of this case was a monumental task in terms of the complex antitrust theories involved; the complexity of the pharmaceutical, regulatory, patent, Medicaid "Best Price," economic, scientific, and manufacturing issues underlying the legal theories, which required detailed analysis by lawyers and experts in

these fields; the volume of information and documents obtained, reviewed, analyzed, and synthesized for depositions, motion practice, and trial purposes; the number of fact and expert depositions; the aggressive schedule set by the Court for discovery and trial; and outstanding defense counsel.

13. Based on my twenty-seven (27) years of engaging in complex business litigation, which includes over twenty-one (21) years of handling Hatch-Waxman antitrust cases on behalf of direct purchasers, I can attest to the risk of non-recovery. Some previous Hatch-Waxman antitrust cases have been lost at the motion to dismiss, motion for summary judgment or jury trial stages, and after the expenditure of tens of thousands of work hours and millions of dollars in expenses. The risk of non-recovery here was particularly high given the hotly contested nature of the legal standard surrounding reverse payment analysis, which continues to evolve; complexity surrounding the “side deal” reverse payment made by Forest to Mylan, which implicated technical aspects of the Medicaid “Best Price” regulatory regime; patent issues surrounding the settlement agreements at issue; and the prospects of demonstrating that one or more less-expensive, generic versions of Namenda IR would have entered the market sooner “but for” the reverse payment deal between Forest and Mylan. Any one of those issues, and others, could have tripped up a jury.
14. Contained below is a chart demonstrating the time spent on this case by each ODR attorney and paralegal, and the lodestar calculation based on the firm’s 2019 billing rates. The schedule was prepared from contemporaneous daily time records regularly prepared and maintained by the firm, which are available for the

Court's *in camera* inspection if necessary. Time expended in preparing the application for fees and reimbursement of expenses has not been included.

Name & Position	Hourly Rate	Total Hours	Lodestar
Stuart E. Des Roches (Partner)	\$950	1619.25	\$1,538,287.50
Andrew W. Kelly (Partner)	\$900	533.75	\$480,375.00
Chris Letter (Partner)	\$750	1654.85	\$1,241,137.50
Craig Glantz (Of Counsel)	\$650	238.50	\$155,025.00
Annie M. Schmidt (Associate)	\$500	290.75	\$145,375.00
Dan C. Chiorean (Associate)	\$625	2044.25	\$1,277,656.25
Chris Stow-Serge (Associate)	\$550	1197.25	\$658,487.50
John E. Fitzpatrick (Associate)	\$400	237.00	\$94,800.00
Amy Kennelly (Paralegal)	\$250	951.50	\$237,875.00
Kim Fontenot (Paralegal)	\$275	1368.50	\$376,337.50
		Total Hours: 10,135.60	Total Lodestar: \$6,205,356.25

15. The total number of hours expended on this litigation by the firm is 10,135.60. The total lodestar for the firm is \$6,205,356.25.
16. In addition to the above, ODR has incurred a total of \$940,397.65 in unreimbursed expenses in connection with the prosecution of this case. The expenses and costs incurred in this action are reflected in the firm's detailed Work-In-Progress ("WIP") Report, which is also available to the Court for *in camera* inspection upon request. The WIP Report is prepared from expense vouchers, check records and other source materials and are an accurate

recordation of the actual expenses and costs incurred. No “premium” or other additional charge has been added to these figures. The categorical breakdown of the un-reimbursed costs and expenses is as follows:

Expense	Amount
Consulting experts	
Court reporter	
Document database vendor	
FDA and other document fees	
Filing fees/court costs	\$432.54
Litigation fund assessment	\$848,000.00
Postage/air Express/messengers	\$2,636.31
Process server and subpoena expenses	
Reproduction costs (outside vendor)	\$8,553.55
Research and datasets	\$78.30
Scientific literature fees	
Telephone/teleconference/facsimile	
Travel/hotel/meals	\$80,696.95
Trial expenses (furniture and equipment)	
Total:	\$940,397.65

Experience of ODR

17. With respect to the standing of counsel in this case, attached hereto is a brief biography of the firm. ODR has engaged in antitrust litigation for many years, including over twenty-one (21) years of litigating Hatch-Waxman antitrust cases on behalf of direct purchaser class plaintiffs. ODR was a member of the litigation team that first challenged reverse payments on behalf of the direct purchaser class starting in 1998 and later challenging for the first time other conduct that artificially delays or impairs generic drug entry, such as the filing of sham citizen petitions, product hopping, improper obtaining and enforcement of patents, and manipulation of the FDA regulatory system.

18. Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1746, I declare under the penalties of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed this 9th day of March, 2020.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Stuart E. Des Roches". The signature is written in a cursive style with a horizontal line underneath the name.

Stuart E. Des Roches

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Firm Resume

Odom & Des Roches, LLC, engages in multi-party litigation of complex civil matters throughout the United States. The firm's clients have included local businesses, national and international companies, and private individuals.

The lawyers of Odom & Des Roches, LLC, have particular depth of experience in antitrust litigation, corporate litigation, and pharmaceutical industry litigation. The firm routinely handles complex class action cases and other matters both inside and outside the Multi-District Litigation context. The firm's members have served as lead trial counsel in national antitrust class cases that have gone to trial in various federal courts around the country or were settled on the "courthouse steps."

The firm has been intimately involved in, among others, the following national antitrust cases representing direct purchasers:

- *In re AndroGel Antitrust Litig.*, Civil Action No. 09-md-2084, N.D. Ga. (private settlements).
- *In re Buspirone Antitrust Litig.*, MDL Docket No. 1410, S.D.N.Y. (district court-approved settlement of \$220,000,000).
- *In re Cardizem CD Antitrust Litig.*, MDL Docket No. 1278, E.D. Mich. (district court-approved settlement of \$110,000,000).
- *In re Hypodermic Direct Purchaser Antitrust Litig.*, Civil Action No. 05-1602, D.N.J. (district court-approved settlement of \$45,000,000).
- *In re K-Dur Antitrust Litig.*, MDL Docket No. 1419, D.N.J. (district court-approved settlement of \$60,000,000).

- *In re Lamictal Direct Purchaser Antitrust Litig.*, Civil Action No. 2:12-cv-00995, D.N.J. (case pending).
- *In re Lidoderm Antitrust Litig.*, Civil Action No. 3:15-cv-01784, N.D. Cal. (district court approved settlement of \$166,000,000).
- *In re Neurontin Antitrust Litig.*, MDL Docket No. 1479, D.N.J. (district court-approved settlement of \$190,000,000).
- *In re Prograf Antitrust Litig.*, Civil Action No. 11-md-2242, D.Mass. (district court-approved settlement of \$98,000,000).
- *In re Relafen Antitrust Litig.*, Master File No. 01-12239, D. Mass. (district court-approved settlement of \$175,000,000).
- *In re Remeron Antitrust Litig.*, Civil Action No. 03-CV-0085, D.N.J. (district court-approved settlement of \$75,000,000).
- *In re Suboxone (Buprenorphine Hydrochloride and Nalaxone) Antitrust Litig.*, MDL No. 2445, E.D. Pa. (case pending).
- *In re Terazosin Hydrochloride Antitrust Litig.*, MDL Docket No. 1317, S.D. Fla. (district court-approved settlement of \$72,500,000).
- *In re TriCor Direct Purchaser Antitrust Litig.*, Civil Action No. 05-340, D. Del. (district court-approved settlement of \$250,000,000).
- *King Drug of Florence, Inc., et al. v. Cephalon, Inc., et al.*, Civil Action No. 2:06-cv-01797, E.D. Pa. (district court-approved settlement of \$512,000,000 and additional private settlements).
- *Meijer, Inc. et al. v. Abbott Laboratories*, Civil Action No. 4:07-cv-05985, N.D. Cal. (district court-approved settlement of \$52,000,000).
- *Natchitoches Parish Hospital Service District, et al. v. Tyco International (US), et al.*, Civil Action No. 05-12024, D. Mass. (district court-approved settlement of \$32,500,000).

The core of the firm's philosophy and practice is its commitment and ability to try jury cases, and its lawyers structure their strategy from the outset of an engagement with an eye towards eventual appearances in the courtroom for motion practice and jury trials. It is the firm's philosophy and experience that being prepared for the rigors of motion practice and trial maximizes the opportunities for the client to obtain favorable results. In addition to its active

jury trial practice, the firm has extensive appellate experience, and its senior partner argued and won the unanimous reversal of a federal circuit court of appeals before the United States Supreme Court. Odom & Des Roches, LLC, which is rated "AV" by Martindale-Hubbell, maintains offices in New Orleans, Louisiana and Hahira, Georgia. The firm is listed in Martindale-Hubbell's "Bar Register of Preeminent Lawyers."

MEMBERS

John Gregory Odom, PLC. Mr. Odom was born in Hahira, Lowndes County, Georgia on November 29, 1951, and was admitted to the bar of the State of Georgia in 1978, the District of Columbia in 1982, and the State of Louisiana in 1983. He is also admitted to the bars of numerous United States District Courts and Courts of Appeals throughout the country, as well as the United States Supreme Court. He practiced with a leading Savannah firm for several years, and was a business litigation partner in the second-largest firm in Louisiana for seven years before leaving to form his own firm in 1990.

Mr. Odom was educated at Yale University (B.A., cum laude, 1973); The Queen's College, Oxford University (B.A. (hons.), 1975; M.A., 1981); and the University of Virginia School of Law (J.D., 1978). He is the author of "Recent Developments in Litigation Under the Racketeer Influenced and Corrupt Organizations Act and Federal Securities Law," Manual of Recent Developments in the Law, Louisiana State Bar Association, 1987-1990, and "Creative Applications of Civil RICO," 11 Am. J. Trial Adv. 245, Fall, 1987. His regular areas of practice include corporate litigation, healthcare industry litigation, securities litigation, RICO litigation, professional liability litigation, class action litigation, and antitrust litigation.

Stuart E. Des Roches, LLC. Mr. Des Roches was born in New Orleans, Louisiana on August 12, 1966, and was admitted to the bar for the State of Louisiana in 1992. He has practiced continuously with Mr. Odom since 1992 and was made a partner in the firm in 1998. He is admitted to practice in numerous United States District Courts and Courts of Appeals throughout the country, as well as the United States Supreme Court. Mr. Des Roches was educated at the University of New Orleans (B.A., 1989), and Tulane University School of Law (J.D., 1992), and is a member of the New Orleans, Louisiana, and American Bar Associations, and the United States Supreme Court Historical Society.

Mr. Des Roches has routinely practiced antitrust law for over twenty-five years, and has particular experience in antitrust litigation relating to the Hatch-Waxman Act, the pharmaceutical industry, and medical devices. Mr. Des Roches served as the lead trial lawyer for the class of direct purchasers in *In re Tricor Direct Purchaser Antitrust Litigation* (D. Del.), which resulted in the largest settlement at that time of a Hatch-Waxman antitrust case (\$250,000,000) after commencement of trial. He also served as co-lead trial counsel with the firm's partner Mr. Kelly in *Natchitoches Parish Hospital Service District, et al. v. Tyco Healthcare, et al.* (D. Mass.), which settled for \$32,500,000 after three weeks of trial and on the eve of closing arguments. He has also been involved in various other litigation matters, including numerous trials, in the areas of general business and accountant's liability defense.

Andrew W. Kelly. Mr. Kelly was born in Bellefonte, Pennsylvania on December 6, 1966, and was admitted to the bar for the States of California and Louisiana in 1994. He is admitted to practice in the United States District Courts for the Eastern, Middle, and Western Districts of Louisiana, the Southern District of California, the United States Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit, as well as admitted *pro hac vice* in various additional federal courts. Mr. Kelly was educated at the University of California at Berkeley (B.A., 1988), and the University of San Diego School of Law (J.D., 1994). He served as law clerk to the Honorable John Minor Wisdom, of the United States Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit. His regular areas of practice include business litigation, class action litigation, and antitrust litigation. Along with Mr. Des Roches, Mr. Kelly served as co-lead trial counsel for the class of direct purchasers in *Natchitoches Parish Hospital Service District, et al. v. Tyco Healthcare, et al.* (\$32,500,000 settlement three weeks into trial). He is also available for counseling on criminal defense matters.

Chris Letter. Mr. Letter was born in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania on August 30, 1974. He earned a J.D. from Loyola University of New Orleans School of Law in 2007 and received a Bachelor of Arts degree in history from the University of New Orleans in 1998. Mr. Letter is admitted to practice in the Louisiana Supreme Court, the several courts of the State of Louisiana, the United States District Courts in Louisiana, the Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals, as well as admitted *pro hac vice* in various additional federal courts. He actively participates in the firm's antitrust litigation practice.

ASSOCIATES

Annie M. Schmidt. Ms. Schmidt was born in New Orleans, Louisiana on May 11, 1985. She earned a J.D. from Loyola University School of Law in 2010, and received a Bachelor of Arts degree from Spring Hill College in 2007. Ms. Schmidt is admitted to practice before the Louisiana Supreme Court and the several courts of the State of Louisiana. She actively participates in the firm's antitrust litigation practice.

Dan Chiorean. Mr. Chiorean was born in Oradea, Romania in April 1980, and immigrated to the United States at the age of 11. He holds a Bachelor of Science in Industrial and Operations Engineering from The University of Michigan, where he was recognized on the Dean's List and University Honors List. Mr. Chiorean earned his *Juris Doctor* in May, 2012 from Tulane Law School, where he served on Moot Court Board. He joined Odom & Des Roches as an Associate in March, 2014 and is admitted to practice before the Louisiana Supreme Court and the several courts of the State of Louisiana, the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Louisiana, the United States District Court for the Northern District of Georgia, as well as admitted *pro hac vice* in various additional federal courts. Mr. Chiorean is a member of the Louisiana State Bar Association, the New Orleans Bar Association, and the Federal Bar Association. He actively participates in the firm's antitrust litigation practice.

Christopher Stow-Serge. Mr. Stow-Serge was born in Fort Lauderdale, Florida in February of 1985. He earned a Bachelor of Arts degree from Tulane University in 2007 and a

J.D. from Tulane Law School in 2012, where he graduated *magna cum laude*. Mr. Stow-Serge is admitted to practice law in the state courts of Louisiana as well as the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Louisiana, the U.S. District Court for the Western District of Louisiana, the U.S. Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals, as well as admitted *pro hac vice* in various additional federal courts. He actively participates in the firm's antitrust litigation practice.

OF COUNSEL

Thomas Maas. Mr. Maas concentrates his practice on complex litigation, antitrust, and intellectual property disputes, and he has broad litigation experience in antitrust, patent, trademark, trade secrets, securities fraud, and other complex commercial cases. He has developed particular experience in the pharmaceutical industry, including antitrust, patent/Hatch-Waxman, and contract litigation, as well as counseling in licensing and M&A transactions. Mr. Maas is highly knowledgeable on the intricacies of Food and Drug Administration (FDA) approval, exclusivity periods under Hatch-Waxman, and the antitrust implications of settlements in pharmaceutical patent litigation. Mr. Maas has represented clients in multiple billion dollar jury trials in the pharmaceutical industry, as well as in a billion dollar merger. He has also co-authored multiple successful appellate briefs before various federal appellate courts, and he is a former licensed pharmacy technician. Mr. Maas also counsels clients in the alcoholic beverage industry on a wide variety of subject matter areas, including trademark disputes and licensing, regulatory issues, financing and restructuring, and distribution and promotional agreements. He acts as lead outside counsel for a popular distilled spirits brand, and he was selected to the Executive Committee for the Distilled Spirits Council of the United States (DISCUS), the country's leading trade organization in the distilled spirits industry. Mr. Maas joined Odom & Des Roches in 2017 as Of Counsel, after ten years of practice with Katten Muchin Rosenman in Chicago.

EXHIBIT F

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK**

IN RE NAMENDA DIRECT PURCHASER ANTITRUST LITIGATION	Case No. 1:15-cv-07488-CM-RWL
THIS DOCUMENT RELATES TO: All Direct Purchaser Actions	

**DECLARATION OF DAVID RAPHAEL ON BEHALF OF SMITH SEGURA
RAPHAEL & LEGER, LLP IN SUPPORT OF CLASS COUNSEL’S MOTION FOR
ATTORNEYS’ FEES, REIMBURSEMENT OF EXPENSES AND INCENTIVE AWARDS
FOR THE NAMED PLAINTIFFS**

I, David C. Raphael, Jr., subject to the penalties of perjury provided by 18 U.S.C. § 1746, do hereby declare as follows:

1. I am a partner in the law firm Smith Segura Raphael & Leger, LLP, attorneys for Plaintiff J M Smith Corporation d/b/a Smith Drug Co. and one of the firms representing the Direct Purchaser Class in the above-captioned case. I am admitted to practice *pro hac vice* in this matter. I submit this declaration in support of class counsel’s motion for attorneys’ fees and reimbursement of expenses in connection with services rendered by Smith Segura Raphael & Leger, LLP in the above-captioned litigation. The factual matters set forth and the assertions made herein are true and correct to the best of my knowledge, information and belief.

2. My firm has been extensively involved in the development and prosecution of the Direct Purchasers’ claims in the case. Chief among my firm’s activities on behalf of the Direct Purchaser Class are:

- conducting research and investigation into the facts and circumstances that gave rise to this lawsuit, including compiling and analyzing public information on the defendants' Hatch-Waxman patent litigation settlements with generic ANDA filers beginning as early as mid-2010 and continuing in mid-2014;
- developing theories of antitrust liability arising from that case investigation information and the conduct of the defendants and the generic challengers from 2010 to 2014;
- monitoring key antitrust cases pending in the Second Circuit in 2014 and 2015 involving hub-and-spoke conspiracies and product hopping;
- negotiating and consummating engagement agreements with longstanding clients Burlington Drug Company and Smith Drug Company;
- communicating regularly with the principals of Smith Drug throughout the litigation to keep them informed of all developments in the case;
- preparing the initial draft of the Burlington Drug complaint;
- participating in conferences with counsel regarding strategy, liability theories, and complaint revisions;
- reviewing and analyzing defendants' initial production, including a detailed comparative analysis of all settlement and license agreements between Forest and the generic ANDA filers, as well as analyses of payments associated with the Orchid and Mylan side deals;
- participating in briefing in opposition to the defendants' motion to dismiss, including the principal drafting of the section relating to reverse payment claims under *FTC v. Actavis, Inc.*, 133 S. Ct. 2223 (2013);

- investing extensive attorney and paralegal resources reviewing, coding, and analyzing defendants' and third parties' document productions as part of the agreements team;
- deposing fact witnesses Charles Ryan, Seth Silber, Katrina Curia, Sanjay Gupta, Kapil Gupta, Goplakrishnan Venkatesan, and Diana Wilk (and assisting with the preparation for the depositions of various other witnesses, including David Solomon, Eric Agovino, Rachel Mears, and Robert Carnevale);
- managing and coordinating discovery and document production by Smith Drug and the other direct purchaser plaintiffs, including drafting responses to defendants' discovery requests by Smith Drug and the other direct purchaser plaintiffs, drafting various communications and participating in numerous meet-and-confer discussions with counsel for defendants, participating in numerous conference calls and frequently corresponding with co-counsel regarding discovery directed to direct purchaser plaintiffs, participating in briefing in opposition to defendants' discovery motions, coordinating Smith Drug's search and collection of responsive data and documents, and conducting attorney review of Smith Drug's data and documents for production;
- prepared Smith Drug witness for 30(b)(6) deposition and defended that deposition;
- assisting with the review and analysis of defendants' procompetitive justifications for the reverse payment, including analysis of Medicaid rebate liability issues;
- assisting with the preparation and review of the expert reports of James Bruno, and with the preparation for the depositions of experts James Bruno and Alexandra Bonelli;
- participating in summary judgment opposition briefing with particular emphasis on fact issues relating to inter-generic conspiracy claims;

- assisting with the preparation of pre-trial orders including designating deposition testimony and lodging objections to defendants' designations for numerous fact witnesses;
- participating in trial preparation, including the issuance of all trial subpoenas, negotiations with counsel for subpoenaed witnesses, preparation of the outline for examination of Smith Drug's witness, preparation of Smith Drug's witness for trial testimony, assistance with objections to defendants' trial exhibits, and participation in meet and confer discussions with defendants regarding deposition designations and objections for witnesses whose videos were scheduled to be played in the first week of trial; and
- participating in numerous conference calls and frequently corresponding with co-counsel regarding case management and litigation strategies.

3. All attorneys, paralegals and law clerks at my firm were instructed to keep contemporaneous time records reflecting their time spent on this case.

4. The schedule below is a summary of the amount of time spent by my firm's attorneys, paralegals and law clerks: (a) from the inception of the litigation through December 24, 2019, the date that the motion for preliminary approval of settlement was filed; and (b) time from December 24, 2019 through the date of this submission that relates to the settlement.

5. The schedule was prepared from contemporaneous, daily time records regularly prepared and maintained by my firm. Time expended in preparing this application for fees and reimbursement of expenses has not been included in this request.

Name	Status	Total Hours	Current Hourly Rate	Total Lodestar
David P. Smith	Partner	11.10	\$800	\$8,880.00
Susan C. Segura	Partner	907.30	\$710	\$644,183.00
David C. Raphael, Jr.	Partner	1,840.30	\$710	\$1,306,613.00
Erin R. Leger	Partner	2,020.10	\$600	\$1,212,060.00
Brian D. Brooks	Former Partner	42.20	\$575	\$24,265.00
Mittie J. Bolton	Former Associate	337.30	\$500	\$168,650.00
Olga Fort	Contract Attorney	60.40	\$400	\$24,160.00
Michael L. Martin	Contract Attorney	705.50	\$375	\$264,562.50
Nancy Blackwell	Paralegal	261.10	\$225	\$58,747.50
Mark Windham	Former Paralegal	37.40	\$200	\$7,480.00
Megan Lord	Former Paralegal	36.60	\$165	\$6,039.00
Donna Thompson	Paralegal	35.50	\$155	\$5,502.50
Totals:		6,294.80		\$3,731,142.50

6. My firm has also incurred a total of \$ 947,232.85 in unreimbursed expenses in connection with the prosecution of the litigation. These expenses were reasonably and necessarily incurred in connection with this litigation and include:

Expenses	Amount
Filing Fees/Court Costs	\$680.00
Litigation Fund Assessments	\$848,000.00
Postage/Air Express/Messengers	\$1,470.05

Process Server/Subpoena Expenses	\$8,024.50
Reproduction Costs	\$10,487.30
Research and Datasets	\$7,772.74
Telephone/Teleconference/Facsimile	\$2,638.98
Travel/Hotel/Meals	\$68,159.28
Total:	\$947,232.85

7. The expenses incurred in this action are also reflected on the books and records of my firm. These books and records are prepared from expense vouchers, receipts and other source material and accurately record the expenses incurred.

8. Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1746, I declare under the penalties of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed this 10th day of March, 2020.

/s/ David C. Raphael, Jr. _____
David C. Raphael, Jr.

EXHIBIT G

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

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TRANSCRIPT OF CIVIL CAUSE FOR SETTLEMENT AND ATTORNEY'S FEES
BEFORE THE HONORABLE JOHN G. KOELTL
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

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1 THE CLERK: In Re: Buspirone.

2 All parties please state who they are for the record.

3 MR. STARK: Good afternoon, Your
4 Honor. Richard Stark from Cravath, Swaine & Moore representing
5 Bristol-Myers Squibb Company, and with me this afternoon is my
6 associate Lee Bickley.

7 THE COURT: Good afternoon.

8 MR. GERSTEIN: Good afternoon,
9 Your Honor. Bruce Gerstein of Garwin, Bronzaft, Gerstein &
10 Fisher and I'm here together with my partner Brett Cebulash,
11 and we represent Louisiana Wholesaler Drug Company, Inc. as
12 class representative for the direct purchaser class.

13 MR. SCHWARTZ: Richard Schwartz,
14 New York State Attorney General's Office on behalf of the
15 plaintiff states. Good afternoon, Your Honor.

16 MR. DRUBEL: Good afternoon,
17 Richard Drubel, Boise, Schiller & Flexner, co-lead counsel for
18 the direct purchaser class, and with me today is my associate
19 Kimberly Schultz.

20 MR. KRAMER: Good afternoon, Your
21 Honor. My name is Eric Kramer for the steering committee for
22 the direct purchaser class and also represent Louisiana
23 Wholesaler.

24 THE COURT: Anyone else? All
25 right. This is a hearing on the final approval of the
26 settlement and the application for attorney's fees. So I'll

1 listen to the parties.

2 MR. GERSTEIN: Your Honor, again
3 for the record, I'm Bruce Gerstein, Garwin, Bronzaft, Gerstein
4 & Fisher. I together with Mr. Drubel, our co-lead counsel on
5 behalf of the direct purchaser class, and I move this Court
6 pursuant to Federal Rules of Civil Procedure 23(e) to approve
7 this settlement as fair, reasonable and adequate.

8 For the record, we have
9 previously provided to the Court a number of documents,
10 including our motion, specifically with our memorandum of law
11 supporting our application for this Court's approval of the
12 settlement as fair, reasonable and adequate. We've also
13 included therewith affidavits from the administrator who we
14 retained who complied with this Court's order of January 31,
15 2003 which was at the preliminary approval hearing provided for
16 notice to be provided to the class pursuant to a direct mailing
17 which was on January 24, 2003 as well as publications on two
18 occasions and the pink sheets which was on February 24, 2003
19 and March 3, 2003.

20 I believe the notice was sent out
21 February 21, 2003, direct notice, and that's contained in our
22 motion. We've also provided to this Court a joint affidavit by
23 co-lead counsel detailing what we -- the services that we've
24 rendered and the work that we performed in this matter and why
25 we believe is the settlement is fair and reasonable as well as
26 our application for attorney's fees, and we've also provided to

1 this Court our plan of allocation regarding how we propose that
2 the funds shall be allocated to the various class members.

3 Your Honor, we divided up our
4 argument into three parts. One is I'm going to handle the
5 application for this Court's approval of the fairness. I have
6 Mr. Kramer available to talk specifically as to the allocation
7 plan and Mr. Drubel will be handling the fee request. Of
8 course we'll all be available to answer any questions that the
9 Court has.

10 Your Honor, the case law in a
11 small thumbnail sketch really calls for various formulations on
12 what to determine as to a fairness of a settlement, but in
13 reality it comes down to a simple formulation and that is a way
14 of -- the risks of future litigation versus the results
15 obtained. Or, stated another way, is it likely that better
16 results could be obtained with further litigation and at what
17 cost. It's really looking or having this Court determine
18 similarly what a private litigant would do in determining
19 whether or not to accept this settlement. And there are three
20 basic criteria to this settlement that we think really call for
21 this Court to approve the settlement as fair, reasonable and
22 adequate.

23 The first instance is the
24 settlement amount. The settlement is for \$220 million plus
25 interest in an escrow fund which has been accruing, that
26 against what is the potential damages suffered and there are

1 two basic criteria that we have. One is if measured during what
2 we believe to be the full damage period, which would go out
3 from the beginning of the class period, which is November 1997
4 through 2006, April 2006, which we believe the future sales are
5 effective on certain purchases generic going forward, we've
6 accomplished based on the work of our expert, Dr. Leitzinger, a
7 settlement of 95 percent of that total damages. If the damages
8 are measured just to the date of generic entry, which would be
9 to the end of March 2001, the settlement is 157 percent of the
10 damages suffered. Of course, there are arguments going both
11 ways, but clearly we believe under any standard this settlement
12 not only is a tremendous result based on the absolute magnitude
13 of the dollars, but measured against the criteria which any
14 litigant would be measuring and that is what's the potential
15 recovery.

16 THE COURT: That's before the
17 deduction for attorney's fees.

18 MR. GERSTEIN: Well, even if you
19 take the deduction for attorney's fees, Your Honor --

20 THE COURT: Then it comes down to
21 65 percent or so.

22 MR. GERSTEIN: It depends on how
23 you measure it. I'm sure Mr. Drubel will deal with this. But
24 if it's measured at the time of generic entry, which is a
25 strong argument, it's over 100 percent even after attorney's
26 fees because the amount of damages to that point is about \$140

1 million. So if you add up the additional it's even more at
2 that point. I think that's a significant factor.

3 But besides the absolute amount
4 and the fairness settlement, consider other factors which the
5 courts look to, one of which is the response of the class
6 members. We think this is particularly critical here. As this
7 Court has recognized, this is a unique class. These are
8 sophisticated businesses. The class, according to our
9 understanding, is approximately 125 members of which three of
10 them have a stake for about 90 percent of the overall sales and
11 a significant part of the damages. There has not been one
12 single objection. We have been in constant communication with
13 the three largest class members. The settlement has been
14 explained to them prior to the mailing of the notice as we told
15 you at the preliminary approval. We sent separate
16 correspondence to them and of course we reviewed in detail the
17 specifics of the settlement. Nobody has objected to the
18 settlement even though those entities were represented by their
19 own counsel who was sophisticated and clearly have the ability
20 to make an assessment and if they were unhappy clearly would
21 have objected, which they didn't. Nobody objected.

22 In addition, as I've told you the
23 last time, I had communications with counsel for Kaiser Health
24 Plan who basically asked significant questions. They came to
25 my office and asked questions regarding not only the analysis
26 as to how we evaluate the settlement but also the allocation

1 and the allocation plan and spent considerable time doing that
2 and they also support the settlement. Counsel happens to be in
3 court with us as we speak. Not a single class member has --

4 THE COURT: Is Kaiser Health Plan
5 one of the members of the class?

6 MR. GERSTEIN: Yes.

7 THE COURT: But not one of the
8 big three?

9 MR. GERSTEIN: Right. Your
10 Honor, it's important to note not a single member of the class
11 has objected to the settlement and we think that that is a very
12 critical factor to be considered by the Court particularly in
13 this case.

14 Two is, besides no objection, the
15 stage of the litigation is --

16 THE COURT: Well, before you
17 leave the objectant. There are two opt outs.

18 MR. GERSTEIN: There's actually -
19 - there are two opt outs. There's actually only one. One of
20 the opt outs didn't have positive sales. We had no idea until
21 we actually communicated with these people as to specifically
22 whether or not everybody on the list that we had was actually a
23 class member. There were numerous people who had products
24 shipped who had greater returns or specifically didn't buy
25 directly, et cetera, but there's actually one opt out who
26 specifically has opted out and we have not been able to get in

1 touch with.

2 There's another opt out, Valley
3 Drug Wholesaler, who is revoked. So there's that one opt out
4 for -- I think they have sales of like \$1 million over the
5 entire period.

6 THE COURT: The one footnote
7 indicated that at that time there were two opt outs for about a
8 million. So the one opt out is still only about a million?

9 MR. GERSTEIN: Right. No, I
10 think that there was -- I think one was more than --

11 [Pause in proceedings.]

12 MR. GERSTEIN: I think one was the \$3 million. That
13 was Valley. They revoked their opt out. One was for a
14 million.

15 THE COURT: I thought that the papers -- that when
16 you had submitted the papers and listed the opt outs I thought
17 that you calculated as just about a million point five percent
18 or something.

19 MR. GERSTEIN: I have to check that, Your Honor. I'm
20 told that the entire amount --

21 [Pause in proceedings.]

22 MR. GERSTEIN: It's clearly a relatively small amount
23 in the scheme of things, Your Honor, but I'm being told by Mr.
24 Stark he believes it's around \$230,000.00 for the one opt out.

25 THE COURT: Your motion at Page 12, Footnote 2 only
26 two requests for exclusion total purchases of slightly over \$1

1 million.

2 MR. GERSTEIN: The reason for that is, Your Honor,
3 is --

4 THE COURT: Or .05.

5 MR. GERSTEIN: I understand now what the difference
6 is. I can explain that. There is also the reference to what
7 we consider an untimely opt out which was in addition to that.
8 That was the Valley Drug. Valley Drug did not untimely opt
9 out. We had thought that their opt out was untimely.
10 Nonetheless, they opted back in. So this is still referring to
11 the same two entities. One of them specifically had -- did not
12 have positive purchases. It had basically greater returns than
13 they had purchases. And the other one was that last entity,
14 Bellamy. Our numbers seem to indicate that it's the same \$1
15 million and Mr. Stark says that he thinks it's closer to
16 \$230,000.00. Whatever it is it's a relatively small amount.

17 THE COURT: Okay.

18 MR. GERSTEIN: But that explains -- the other
19 disclosure happened to deal with the -- what we considered at
20 the time an untimely opt out, but it doesn't matter because
21 it's moot because Valley has opted back in.

22 THE COURT: Whether it's \$230,000.00 or \$1 million
23 it's still an exceedingly small fraction of the direct Buspar
24 purchases.

25 MR. GERSTEIN: That's correct, Your Honor.

26 In addition to considering the views of the class

1 members, which as I said I think are critical here, is the
2 other factors that the courts typically look at is the stage of
3 litigation. The lawyers who had negotiated the settlement,
4 where they in the position to make an informed judgment in
5 negotiating settlement. We think you have to make an
6 assessment of what are the risks of future litigation versus
7 how does the -- the numbers achieved relate to the damages that
8 are out there and have to be proven, et cetera.

9 In this case, as we documented in our affidavit,
10 there has been substantial, substantial, substantial work done
11 before the settlement negotiations at risk in a very, very
12 aggressive litigation posture. Specifically, we've documented
13 the significant depositions that were taken. I think there
14 were approximately thirty. The Court is aware of the extensive
15 motion practice having decided a number of the matters yourself
16 as well as Magistrate Judge Gorenstein who has decided numerous
17 motions before him and I'm sure has also reported to the Court
18 regarding the comment of counsel in those matters. So it's
19 clear that counsel were in a strong position to be able to
20 negotiate the settlement and I believe that as a result of the
21 record obtained in this case it allowed us to press for the
22 highest possible settlement possible.

23 As we emphasize in our papers, is that the direct
24 purchaser class basically discovered and the Schein claim and
25 developed it and prosecuted it and it clearly -- inure to the
26 class' benefit which was allowing us to prosecute a claim for

1 damages that went from November '97 instead of a damage period
2 that would have been starting in the year 2001, and that's
3 rather significant -- or at least the end of 2000. That's
4 rather significant and I think clearly inure to the benefit to
5 the class and is reflected in the settlement.

6 As I said, the last factor is weighing all these
7 matters specifically as to could a larger amount be achieved
8 after litigation. It's our view that not only is it possible
9 that a large amount wouldn't be achieved, but even if
10 successful it's clear that there could be a challenge to our
11 damage analysis, to our damage formulation, to the timing that
12 we rely on for the damage period, et cetera, and we could have
13 actually recovered a lot less.

14 Taking all that into account, we believe that the
15 \$220 million settlement is more than fair, reasonable and
16 adequate and should be approved by the Court. Unless Your
17 Honor has any specific questions for me, I'm going to conclude
18 my presentation and basically if you have any questions
19 regarding the allocation plan, I can hand that over to Mr.
20 Kramer. If not, I will address whatever you'd like and then
21 Mr. Drubel is prepared to speak to the fee.

22 THE COURT: No, fine. I'll listen to Mr. Kramer,
23 sure.

24 MR. KRAMER: There are two documents that are
25 relevant to the allocation plan. The first is the allocation
26 plan that was submitted itself and the second is the

1 declaration that Dr. Leitzinger wrote and submitted. That
2 addresses essentially two things, the aggregate for damages
3 analysis and assumptions and then -- in calculation, and then
4 the allocation plan itself. Dr. Leitzinger, who is a very
5 experienced [inaudible] economist that has a lot of experience
6 in complex litigation developed in conjunction with counsel in
7 order to come up with a plan that would fairly and efficiently
8 and accurately allocate damages to all claimants on a pro rated
9 basis essentially based upon what their damages would be if
10 calculated [inaudible].

11 The plan and Dr. Leitzinger, those two documents,
12 specifically go into the damages model that Dr. Leitzinger used
13 and employed in this case in the course of settlement
14 discussions and that model was developed over a significant
15 period of time. Dr. Leitzinger has been involved in several of
16 these types of cases. So the model has been refined and
17 developed over time and we have the benefit of this perfected
18 model to use here in this case.

19 Dr. Leitzinger's affidavit not only discusses the
20 model but then discusses the assumptions that he plugged into
21 the model in order to come up with his aggregate damages
22 analysis for this case. Then the declaration discusses the
23 results of his computations from various different
24 perspectives.

25 The model is designed to and does capture the total
26 aggregate overcharged damages in the direct purchaser class.

1 Then with some modifications we propose to use that same model
2 to allocate damages to individual claimants and class members.

3 I'd like to do here today what is most helpful to the
4 Court. I can go through in some more detail and tell the Court
5 and tell you and help you and help you to understand the models
6 that we used, the assumptions that we employed and the
7 calculation and computation that we did and then show how we
8 modified that model to employ and use and propose an allocation
9 plan. I can summarize that for you here. I can address any
10 specific questions that the Court has.

11 THE COURT: I actually think I understand it but I'm
12 happy to have you summarize it for me.

13 MR. KRAMER: That's what I'll do. I'll try to be
14 brief. I'll first explain the aggregate damages calculation so
15 the Court understands how we got to the \$230 million number and
16 then show how the allocation plan will be -- use the modified
17 model in some of those assumptions in order to allocate damages
18 to individual claimants.

19 THE COURT: Did you say 230?

20 MR. KRAMER: \$230 million was the total number from
21 November 1997 through April 2006. That was the total amount of
22 damages throughout the entire damages period and that includes
23 what we call the tail. It includes a period of damages that
24 goes five years after, after generic entry. I think in Dr.
25 Leitzinger's declaration he also gives another number. If you
26 were to cut off damages at the end of last month so that

1 damages went from November 1997 through March 31, 2003, the
2 total aggregate damages incurred as to that date would be \$195
3 million. I think that -- since that point Dr. Leitzinger
4 refined the analysis a little bit in numbers more like \$200
5 million just so the Court is clear.

6 THE COURT: Because it's not the same as the total
7 amount of the settlement. Yes?

8 MR. KRAMER: That is correct. The total amount of
9 the settlement is \$220 million and the total amount of damages
10 throughout the entire class period is \$230 million. If we were
11 to cut off damages as of March 31st, as I said, the damages
12 would be about \$200 million.

13 THE COURT: Okay.

14 MR. KRAMER: The model, as I said, was developed not
15 only by Dr. Leitzinger in conjunction with counsel but also
16 involved Dr. Steven Scholermeyer who is one of the country's
17 foremost experts in the field of pharmaceutical economics. The
18 model draws upon governmental studies, including those of the
19 Food and Drug Administration, and the Congressional Budget
20 Office. The government has been substantially involved in
21 trying to determine what the effects are in pharmaceutical
22 markets of generic entry and then what the effects are of
23 delaying or preventing that generic entry. The government has
24 a significant involvement in trying to figure out what that is
25 in conjunction with the Hatch-Waxman Act and other policy
26 efforts to bring generic drugs onto the market. So there is --

1 the government has designed and developed a model to do that
2 and our model is based in part on what the government has done.

3 There's also substantial published economic
4 literature that the model is developed from. Dr. Leitzinger
5 cites in a footnote two pieces. One by Vovowski and Vernon
6 [Ph.] and another by Rosen and Berkowitz. Both of pieces
7 address specifically the effects of delaying and preventing
8 generic entry into markets that were formally dominated by a
9 brand name drug. It looks specifically -- if the Court were to
10 read the Rosen and Berkowitz study, it is almost a one-to-one
11 correspondence between analysis done in that published economic
12 literature and type of analysis that we did here. In fact, we
13 refined it further than what's done in that public work. But I
14 just want to give the Court an idea as to the detail and
15 analysis and refinement that has gone into the model that we've
16 used here. Finally --

17 THE COURT: The model has never been tested at trial
18 I take it?

19 MR. KRAMER: That is correct, it has never been
20 tested at trial though in past litigation it has been tested
21 under cross-examination of Dr. Leitzinger, but it has not been
22 tested at trial, that's correct.

23 That's why I think, Your Honor, I'm trying to
24 explain -- trying to show some of the bona fides of the model.
25 This is not something that was just devised out of thin air.
26 It is something that is built upon published work by the

1 government, published studies by distinguished economists and
2 thirdly, pharmaceutical company, internal documents and
3 analyses. Pharmaceutical companies themselves, Bristol-Myers,
4 generic companies have an interest in trying to determine what
5 the effects on their own profits, sales, volumes, prices of
6 generic entry or delaying generic entry. So, in this case we
7 have seen a number of documents, internal industry --
8 pharmaceutical company documents which run through a similar
9 type of analysis that we've employed here.

10 THE COURT: But part of your argument for the
11 approval of the settlement is that the model is not so bullet
12 proof that it would necessarily prevail at trial.

13 MR. KRAMER: I think what the argument actually is --
14 and that's true, but I think more specifically our argument is
15 that some of the assumptions that we plugged into the model may
16 not hold up at trial. For example, the five-year period after
17 generic entry. That may be something that would not hold up at
18 trial and other particular aspects of the assumptions that go
19 into the model. I think the model itself would hold up at
20 trial most likely. But I think where some of the real
21 litigation risks might be is what the Court might say or what
22 the jury might say in evaluating some of the assumptions that
23 we plugged into the model because those are based on evidence
24 we've gathered in this case. They're based on constructing a
25 but for world which by its very nature includes a lot of
26 uncertainty. Nobody knows precisely what would have happened

1 in a world in which there was no shine agreement. It involves
2 hypothesizing about something that would have happened that
3 didn't actually happen. So there are a lot of unknowns in
4 putting that together.

5 THE COURT: BMS argued to me that -- on the class
6 action motion that the big three would have done better, that
7 they weren't harmed at all.

8 MR. KRAMER: Well, I think that is a significant
9 factor. In fact, I think that is something that BMS would
10 argue at trial. That is that big chunk -- I think one of their
11 arguments would be that a large portion of the class did not
12 suffer any damages at all. Now, we disagree obviously with
13 that. We think the damages need to be measured as the
14 overcharge and lost sales which was part of BMS' argument does
15 not come into that, but obviously that's a risk. If that
16 argument were to have prevailed at trial, damages would have
17 been reduced to near zero or, in fact, damages would be
18 negative because part of what BMS was arguing was that the big
19 three not only did not -- was not damaged by delayed generic
20 entry but that the big three actually profited by delayed
21 generic entry. That was a big part of their argument.

22 So I think they could continue to make that argument
23 at trial and at the very least it might have an effect on what
24 a jury might do. So that's something to consider and that is
25 our -- our model is based upon our view of what the overcharge
26 damage is and how it should be measured and that is something

1 that has not been tested, you're right, and that is something
2 that could have resulted in a pure victory at trial.

3 THE COURT: Go ahead.

4 MR. KRAMER: The model is essentially what's called a
5 but for analysis. It compares a world, the actual world or as
6 is world to a but for world, a hypothetical world that we must
7 create using two different sources of information. We use
8 actual volumes of prices that exist after generic entry, the
9 model what would have happened had the generic entry early and
10 then we use benchmarks, other drugs, other areas where there
11 has been a certain type of generic entry and what happened in
12 those particular markets in particular situations. We used the
13 combination of those two things, benchmarks and actual data in
14 order to evaluate what the total value is worth here.

15 I think I'll -- I think it's explained very well in
16 the papers and I'll skip over for this moment, but Dr.
17 Leitzinger in Paragraphs 8 through 17 of the declaration
18 describes the three different damage elements that are
19 separately calculated in the aggregate damages model and also
20 would be separately calculated in the allocation plan. The
21 brand, generic damages or substitution damages are the main
22 form of damages, the brand brand damages and the generic
23 generic damages, and move to some of the assumptions that we
24 employed in -- plugged into the model for purposes of
25 calculating what the total damages are here and then also for
26 purposes of allocating those damages to class members.

1 The first assumption and probably the most important
2 assumption is trying to determine what the hypothetical but for
3 world would look like, when would generics enter in that world.
4 What we did was we assumed that absent a Schein agreement, if
5 there was no Schein agreement that Watson or predecessors to
6 Watson would have entered the market on a license from Bristol-
7 Myers Squibb. We assumed that both Watkins and Bristol-Myers
8 would have had an incentive to engage in such a license
9 agreement because it would allow them an alternative to
10 continuing litigation which could have resulted in a validation
11 of the patent and competition, more competition for both BMS
12 and the Watson predecessors.

13 So a licensing agreement is a way that brand and
14 generic companies often resolve patent disputes. It is an
15 arguably a pro-competitive way to resolve disputes whereas a
16 reverse payment like the Schein agreement is inarguably an
17 anti-competitive way to resolve a patent dispute. So we
18 modelled the world in which Watson would have been able after
19 solving some production and other issues that it had with its
20 product to come onto the market in December 1996.

21 The second part of the but for world then assumes
22 that as of November 2000 the additional generics would have
23 come on the market. It assumes that Bristol-Myers would not
24 have engaged in investing the time, money and energy in
25 developing and then listing a 365 patent if they already lost a
26 significant share of the Buspirone market. By our calculation,

1 about 65 percent of the market by that time. So there never
2 would have been a 365 patent. It would not have been listed
3 and then the additional generics would come on the market as
4 they actually did in March 2001. They'd come on five months
5 earlier. So you have a licensing portion of this but for world
6 and then what we've called the unfettered generic entry portion
7 of the but for world.

8 So those are model -- the licensing portion, a model
9 based on benchmarks of other license situations and then this
10 unfettered generic entry portion of the but for world is a
11 model based on the actual data. We did that because we had no
12 -- there was no actual license. So we had to look elsewhere.
13 We couldn't use the actual data reflecting an unlicensed world
14 to model one-to-one the licensed world. It looked like in some
15 of these benchmarks for that. We used three benchmarks and
16 were able to triangulate those benchmarks and come up with what
17 we think would have happened during that licensing period and
18 then for the unfettered entry period we just shifted what
19 actually happened back five months and then were able to create
20 the but for world that way.

21 To describe the -- to just give some of the numbers I
22 think Mr. Gerstein went through them. The aggregate
23 calculation was a \$230 million total through April 2006. The
24 number was about \$200 million through March 2003 and \$140
25 million through March 2001. We point that out to the Court
26 because there is a possibility, we don't think a likely

1 possibility, but certainly there's a risk at trial in going
2 further that the Court might say that damages test, the time
3 that generics actually were on the market are not the proper
4 form of damages or a jury might conclude that. So we point out
5 to the Court that the \$140 million may be all that was possible
6 as a result of carrying this case further. So, there's a risk
7 there.

8 One thing that Mr. Gerstein pointed out was the
9 additional benefit that the Schein agreement or litigating the
10 Schein agreement and pushing that part of the case forward vis-
11 a-vis merely looking at the 365 claim which was five months of
12 delay as opposed to the Schein agreement which had years of
13 delay. We did a calculation and if we had litigated merely
14 based on the 365 claim alone the total damages would have been
15 somewhere south of \$85 million and that includes damages all
16 the way through 2006. And another thing to point out about the
17 365 claim is that that provides much more heavily on damages
18 after the period that generics were actually on the market. So
19 if the Court or a jury were in the future to determine that
20 those were not a valid form of damages that \$85 million number
21 would shrink to about \$40 million.

22 So the direct purchaser class by discovering and
23 prosecuting the Schein agreement added a substantial amount of
24 value to this case over and above the value that was added by
25 prosecuting the 365 claim.

26 The allocation plan is a modification of the

1 aggregate damages model. It calls for breaking up the damages,
2 total damages net settlement amount that's available for class
3 members into three pools according to the three forms of
4 damages that are separately calculated under the model and then
5 essentially breaks up the world into three different periods
6 and evaluate what the individual claimant damages would have
7 been in those periods that uses volumes, amount of purchases as
8 a proxy for what -- for damages and asks that claimants put
9 forward -- provides for the plan's administrator to purchase
10 data and that can be used to determine what the actual damages
11 of individual claimants are.

12 I can go into that in more detail, but I think it's
13 described in detail in both the allocation plan and in Dr.
14 Leitzinger's declaration. I could tell the Court that we're
15 involved right now, and Dr. Leitzinger is specifically involved
16 in allocating damages in the Cardizem case and a similar
17 methodology is being used and we were able to --

18 THE COURT: I think that's what I -- go ahead.

19 MR. KRAMER: We were able to use our experience, some
20 of the problems that we had allocating the damages there, not
21 major problems, but issues with getting some of the data from
22 the claimants, and so in Buspar here we narrowed the type and
23 data that we're asking the class they wish to produce and we've
24 learned from some of the -- not mistakes, but some of the
25 issues and concerns that came up in terms of allocating the
26 damages in the Cardizem case. So I think we can assure the

1 Court that we've learned from what we've done, had experience
2 doing it, and I think we've gone above and beyond what is
3 typically done in large class settlements where the allocation
4 is turned over almost entirely to the settlement administrator
5 and they're asked to follow a somewhat simple formula whereas
6 here we are actually involving and paying Dr. Leitzinger and
7 his staff of economists to compute damages for each individual
8 claimant. I think we needed to do that because we wanted to
9 use our model. We think it's the fairest most efficient and
10 best way to allocate damages and it can't merely be done by a
11 settlement administrator who wasn't involved in designing the
12 model and executing the model. So that's what we've done here.

13 Ultimately, what the model does is allows us to
14 distribute damages to class members based on their pro rata
15 share of what their overcharges would be if we were to
16 calculate their individual benefits.

17 THE COURT: This plan really requires that you wait
18 until all of the potential claimants have submitted their
19 claims, all of their information, you make all of the detailed
20 calculations based on the allocation plan and then come up with
21 what each of them get. It's a non-reversion plan. BMS has
22 placed the money in escrow and it will be divided up among the
23 class based on the complicated allocation plan. Is that the
24 way in which it's being done in Cardizem also?

25 MR. KRAMER: Yes.

26 THE COURT: Other than Cardizem, is that being done

1 in other cases? It's different from an individual overcharge
2 based on purchases or an individual difference if it were an
3 alleged stock fraud case, for example.

4 MR. KRAMER: Yes, it is. It is different than that
5 and that's why we decided that it was important to use -- to
6 involve Dr. Leitzinger and his staff in the allocation process
7 because they are the people who know the model, built the model
8 and are doing it in the Cardizem case.

9 THE COURT: Other than Cardizem, is it being done in
10 other cases?

11 MR. KRAMER: We hopefully will do it in other cases
12 but we have not yet.

13 THE COURT: Is Cardizem the only kind of sort of cap
14 non-reversionary total fund wait for everyone to put in their
15 claims and then based on the allocation -- based upon the
16 complicated allocation formula you decide how much each one --
17 each claimant will get?

18 MR. KRAMER: No, I don't think there's anything
19 particularly unusual about non-reversionary plan that waits
20 until all of the information is supplied and then a pro rated
21 share of that -- if you're giving up pro rata shares that
22 requires that you wait for all of the information and all the
23 calculations. So that type of allocation is what is typically
24 done in large complex anti-trust settlements. I think what is
25 -- what we could have done here is what typically happens,
26 which is there is some determination that the overcharge on the

1 product was ten percent and what the -- ten percent or fifteen
2 percent and then break up among subcategories of the classes
3 and then what the claimants do is submit their purchase data
4 and depending upon their volume and their purchases that gets
5 multiplied by ten percent and then a pro rata number is
6 determined and that is distributed in that fashion.

7 So the only thing that is different here in Cardizem
8 is that we're trying to be more fair and accurate to individual
9 class members. I think that's in part because the class is of
10 manageable size. This is not a class of thousands of mom and
11 pop stores or hundreds of millions of claimants, individuals.
12 This is a class of 124, 125 sophisticated businesses that have
13 staffs with the ability to put things on computer and submit
14 that into the claims administrator. So I think we designed a
15 plan with a particular class in mind.

16 I can tell Your Honor that we have been involved, and
17 I personally have been involved in the process of dealing with
18 the allocation in the Cardizem case and I've talked to probably
19 thirty or forty individuals class members about the types of
20 data that we need to reassure them about the dates and other
21 information. So we've been in contact with the same entities
22 that are going to be putting in claims in this case.

23 THE COURT: The members of the Cardizem class are the
24 direct purchasers in the Cardizem class?

25 MR. KRAMER: Precisely. There's not a one-to-one
26 correlation between the class here and the class in Cardizem,

1 but it's very close. The only difference is that Bristol-Myers
2 may have sold to a couple of different entities than dentists,
3 pharmaceuticals sold Cardizem to, but the class of Cardizem is
4 about 80 individual entities. The class here is about 125
5 individual entities and I would imagine that nearly all of
6 those 80 Cardizem class members are in the -- certainly all of
7 the significant substantial class members are the same, the
8 same counsel and the same people involved in the allocation.

9 So unless Your Honor has any other questions or
10 issues.

11 THE COURT: Who are -- if you can say, who are the
12 counsel for the three major participants?

13 MR. KRAMER: The main counsel that we're dealing with
14 for Cardinal Healthcare is a lawyer named Tom Long. He is with
15 the firm of Baker & Hosteffor. The main counsel that we deal
16 with in Makeser [Ph.] is a man -- a lawyer named Peter Houston
17 from Latham & Watkins in San Francisco, and the counsel for
18 Amerisource Bergen is Howard Scheer at McKenna & Ingersoll in
19 Philadelphia, and we've been in constant contact with them
20 throughout this litigation and the Cardizem litigation in
21 explaining the settlement as Mr. Gerstein said and going
22 through the allocation plan and working with them to try to
23 make sure that they were satisfied with the result. Bruce was
24 correct. They are extremely pleased with the result.

25 THE COURT: Okay.

26 MR. KRAMER: Thank you, Your Honor.

1 MR. DRUBEL: Good afternoon, Your Honor. Richard
2 Drubel. I'd like to address for a minute or two the -- our
3 application for attorney's fees and expenses in this case.

4 I think based upon what Your Honor has heard this
5 afternoon and is reflected in our papers we believe this
6 settlement is among the top tier of class action recoveries as
7 measured against a percentage of recoverable damages. Your
8 Honor addressed some of the different ways to measure this
9 recovery. I think one of the most relevant ones is one Mr.
10 Gerstein mentioned and Mr. Kramer alluded to in passing and
11 that is the damages calculated by Mr. Leitzinger for the period
12 that generic competition was kept off the market. This is,
13 after all, the essence of this case is a denial, prevention of
14 generic competition.

15 So the period of recoverable damages measured from
16 November of 1997 through the time in which generic competition
17 first came on the market at the end of March, I think it's
18 March 28, 2001, is a very relevant time period. Now, I will
19 hasten to say and -- I don't want Mr. Kramer to jump out of his
20 chair at me. The damages beyond that time period we certainly
21 have pled and we would argue for and we think we're entitled
22 to, but it is -- I think it would be unrealistic not to
23 recognize that the damages in the so-called tail period after
24 generics come on the market may well be harder to get the jury
25 to award or a court to allow than damages during the period
26 which generics were kept off the market.

1 One juror or judge might very well ask, as I believe
2 Your Honor did at our preliminary approval hearing, how do you
3 explain how you get damages based upon denial of generic entry
4 after generics had entered. So if one looks at this core
5 damage period of November of 1997 through March of 2001, Dr.
6 Leitzinger estimates that the damages for that period are
7 \$140,459,820.00. If you measure the settlement achieved in
8 this case, \$220 million in cash with no reversion to the
9 defendants, that represents 156 percent of that -- of those
10 recoverable damages during the period that generics were kept
11 off the market. Net of the requested attorney fees and
12 expenses the settlement fund is \$146,920,542.00 which is still
13 over 104 percent of these core overcharged damages.

14 In other words, class counsel, Your Honor, in this
15 case were sufficiently successful that the entire attorney fee
16 and expenses requested in this case can be paid out of the
17 excess of the overcharge during this core period.

18 Now, I think there are not many class action
19 recoveries, certainly not by way of settlement which can make
20 that kind of a claim and that is perhaps one of the reasons why
21 in this class, which is comprised of businesses -- we are not
22 talking about widows and orphans here. We're talking about
23 businesses several of which are very large sophisticated
24 businesses. You heard some of the law firms that are
25 representing the big three. They're very -- these folks can
26 afford to and regularly employ lawyers. Not one of them has

1 objected to the attorney's fees.

2 Now, we addressed in our moving papers, Your Honor,
3 the role of class counsel in this case and achieved as a result
4 which was no accident. I mean we described that in detail in
5 our fee affidavit, our joint affidavit which is Exhibit 1 of
6 the fee petition. We believe that the settlement here was the
7 result of hard work, creativity and skill of class counsel and
8 was achieved despite the very skilled and determined efforts of
9 one of the best corporate defense firms in the country sitting
10 across the table from you right now, Cravath, Swaine & Moore
11 representing -- defending BMS. It was achieved despite
12 the fact -- despite the lack of any governmental prosecution or
13 proceeding to prepare the way.

14 As we described in our affidavit, it was direct
15 purchaser class counsel that independently discovered the
16 secret illegal 1994 Schein agreement which opened this case up
17 to a much larger case than had been envisioned when it was
18 originally filed. The direct purchaser class counsel filed the
19 first complaint alleging violations of Section 1 and 2 of the
20 Sherman Act based upon the Schein agreement which was soon
21 followed by others. The purchaser class counsel
22 worked diligently to address both the complexity of the anti-
23 trust patent and FDA law presented in this case which can be
24 horrific. It's one of the, in fact, the complexity, the legal
25 complexity involved in an intersection of patent, anti-trust
26 and FDA law. I think it's one of the most difficult areas of

1 the law as well as mastering the substantial causation defenses
2 presented by Bristol-Myers Squibb who respect to the Schein
3 agreement certainly had a number of respectable arguments that,
4 in fact, Schein wouldn't have been able to come on the market,
5 at least not when we said they would. Maybe not at all.

6 The result of what we believe is our hard work,
7 preparation and skill is the \$220 million cash settlement
8 that's before you today. In light of the results obtained, we
9 think, Your Honor, an award of fees and expenses of 33-1/3
10 percent of the settlement fund is fair and reasonable. The
11 courts in this Circuit have awarded fees ranging between 15
12 percent and 50 percent of the settlement fund. That's noted in
13 the Mailey [Ph.] case at 186 F.Supp. 370 that we cite in our
14 brief. Last year, of course, this Court awarded 33-1/3 percent
15 fee on a \$58 million settlement in the Deutsche Bank case.

16 The Kirzweil [Ph.] case, another Southern District of
17 New York case, awarded a fee of 30 percent on \$123.8 million
18 recovery. That case is also cited in our brief as well as
19 other cases cited at Pages 15 and 16 of our brief.

20 Courts have awarded comparable percentage fees to
21 what we are requesting on recoveries almost as large or in fact
22 larger than ours. I would just draw to the Court's attention
23 three of those. First, the Rite-Aid case out of the Eastern
24 District of Pennsylvania cited in our brief in which the
25 District Court awarded a 25 percent fee on \$193 million
26 recovery plus additional costs. In our case, of course, we are

1 asking for one-third of the settlement fund to cover both fees
2 and expenses.

3 In the Vitamin case, Your Honor, a case cited out of
4 the District of Columbia, it's a case that was not cited in our
5 brief but should have been especially since my firm was co-lead
6 counsel in that case and I would appreciate it if you wouldn't
7 mention that to Mr. Boise. In that case, the District Court
8 awarded us 34 percent of \$359 million, and the cite on that
9 case is 2001 U.S. District Lexis 25067.

10 Finally, the In re: Brand Name Prescription Drug
11 litigation out of the Northern District of Illinois. It's a
12 case in which the District Court awarded 25 percent fee on \$696
13 million.

14 These percentages, the percent of 33-1/3 that we are
15 seeking, Your Honor, are consistent with the studies cited in
16 our brief by the Federal Judicial Center, a 1996 study which
17 found that most of the awards were between 20 to 40 percent of
18 the settlement. Also, the Mirror Study, shareholder class
19 actions which they found the fee awards --

20 THE COURT: If I averaged out those percentages I
21 would probably come closer to 30 than 33-1/3.

22 MR. DRUBEL: Well, I guess, Your Honor, it depends on
23 how you weight them. Between 20 and 40 percent and 32 percent
24 --

25 THE COURT: No, no. You gave me 25 percent on \$193
26 million, 34 percent on \$359 million and 25 percent on \$696

1 million. I realize that there's a range. Whether you say it's
2 between 15 and 50 or 20 and 40, there's a range.

3 MR. DRUBEL: Absolutely. There is a range, Your
4 Honor, and I think what it comes down to in our case is we feel
5 that given the extraordinary result compared to the -- measured
6 against provable damages or recoverable damages given the
7 statute of limitations that we have on us, that this -- that
8 really this is just an extraordinary settlement and deserves an
9 extraordinary fee.

10 I will also point out to Your Honor that the Rite-Aid
11 Corp. as cited in our brief, 146 F.Supp 2d at 735, 736 mentions
12 that on average, the average percentage fee in settlements
13 between \$100 and \$200 million is 28.1 percent. We do not think
14 this is an average settlement, Your Honor. We think it is a
15 very much above average settlement.

16 The requested fee moreover in this case is consistent
17 with what the market would pay for such a result in a
18 comparable non-class case. We've cited a number of cases, Your
19 Honor, in which the courts take that into consideration. There
20 are, of course, Judge Posner, Judge Estabrook's opinion in
21 Sinthroid [Ph.] and Continental. There's also the Mailey case
22 in the Southern District of New York, and also Judge Sweet's
23 opinion in the Lloyd's case all look at as one of the relevant
24 factors what the market would bear -- would pay for a
25 comparable result in a comparable case.

26 We have put forward to Your Honor evidence showing

1 that class counsel -- we've submitted affidavits from some of
2 us attesting to the fact that they have made such contracts at
3 33-1/3, between 33-1/3 and 50 percent even in non-class classes
4 for fees in comparable commercial litigation. I think that
5 Your Honor can also take notice of the fact as we point out at
6 Pages 18 and 19 of our brief that attorneys regularly contract
7 for contingent fees between 30 and 40 percent in non-class
8 commercial litigation.

9 Importantly also in this case, Your Honor, Exhibit 16
10 is an affidavit from the class representative client in this
11 case in which -- Louisiana Wholesalers in which they attest to
12 the fact that they would have been willing to enter into a one-
13 third contingent fee contract in this case if the fee had not
14 been set by the Court. They support, as do all the other class
15 members that we're aware of, including all the large ones, they
16 support our request for the fee in this case.

17 In terms of the Loadstar multiplier, Your Honor, the
18 requested fee represents an 8.46 multiplier which is certainly
19 within the range of multipliers --

20 THE COURT: Certainly at the high end.

21 MR. DRUBEL: It certainly is at the high end, Your
22 Honor. We make no apologies for that. We think our settlement
23 is in the high end. In fact, again, as measured against
24 recoverable damages we think it's among the highest. Judge
25 Sweet --

26 THE COURT: I'm sorry. You say your percentage

1 recovery is among the highest.

2 MR. DRUBEL: Yes.

3 THE COURT: You're not saying that your multiplier is
4 among the highest.

5 MR. DRUBEL: No, Your Honor.

6 THE COURT: What does that work out to be for an
7 hourly fee?

8 MR. DRUBEL: There are so many -- there are different
9 hourly -- there are different hourly rates. We could divide
10 the total by the total number of hours if Your Honor would like
11 us to do that.

12 THE COURT: You must have done that.

13 MR. DRUBEL: We've not done that, Your Honor.

14 THE COURT: \$73 million divided by 28,000 hours,
15 isn't it?

16 MR. DRUBEL: We have 28,727 hours. It looks to be
17 about \$2,500.00.

18 Now, if we compare the multiplier here to some of the
19 multipliers that have been approved including, for example,
20 Judge Sweet in the Lloyds of America Trust Fund litigation, he
21 cited a number of cases in which multipliers of eight or more
22 have been awarded including the Cosgrow case, Your Honor, from
23 the Southern District of New York at 759 F.Supp. 166, a 1991
24 case in which this Court approved a 8.74 multiplier for
25 plaintiff's counsel.

26 The Rite-Aid case from the Eastern District of

1 Pennsylvania approved multipliers ranging from 4.5 to 8.5 in
2 making its percentage fee award in that case, and in RJR
3 Nabisco, another case from the Southern District of New York,
4 the Court approved a percentage award over objections that the
5 amount constituted a multiplier of 6.

6 So, in each of these cases, Cosgrow, Rite-Aid, we
7 have a situation in which the multipliers in those cases
8 approved by the Court are greater than what we have here.

9 We address, Your Honor, on Pages 22 and 23 of our
10 brief the Golberger factors relating to the reasonableness of
11 the fee, but as Goldberger notes the quality of representation
12 is best measured by result. We think that the extraordinary
13 result in this case, Your Honor, justifies the award of fee and
14 expenses requested.

15 MR. GERSTEIN: Your Honor, one further point. We've
16 also sought court approval for a request for the main
17 plaintiff, an incentive award of \$25,000.00. I just wanted to
18 bring that to the attention of the Court. We specifically
19 addressed cases on that point from Pages 40 to 41 of our brief
20 and if you want I can address them, but I think it's something
21 routine. The plaintiff here not only stepped forward, but was
22 actively involved from the beginning of the case, was deposed
23 and has clearly executed its role in supervising and doing its
24 role as a class representative. We think that it's appropriate
25 and we ask the Court to also approve that request.

26 THE COURT: All right. Thank you, Mr. Gerstein. Mr.

1 Stark.

2 MR. STARK: Your Honor, I have nothing to add really
3 to what the three gentlemen preceding me said. We certainly
4 commend the settlement with the Court's approval as being
5 imminently fair and adequate and we have no objection to the
6 fees requested.

7 THE COURT: All right. Does anyone else wish to be
8 heard?

9 [No response.]

10 THE COURT: First of all, I'll approve the settlement
11 as fair, reasonable and adequate. I have the proposed order
12 and final judgment which makes the recitations with respect to
13 the fair, reasonable and adequate nature of the settlement as
14 well as the adequacy of the notice that's been submitted and
15 circulated, and all of that is plainly true. Measured against
16 the standards for the approval of a class action settlement,
17 this settlement is plainly fair, reasonable and adequate to the
18 members of class. Applying the variety of factors, it is
19 apparent that the settlement was arrived at in good faith after
20 extensive arm's length negotiations.

21 It was arrived at after there had been significant
22 discovery, both deposition discovery and documentary discovery,
23 thirty depositions, a million pages of documentary discovery.
24 It was arrived at when there were various issues that had yet
25 to be resolved in discovery, including various attorney-client
26 privilege issues which were being vigorously contested, but

1 it's plain that there was sufficient discovery in order to be
2 able to arrive at a conclusion with respect to the adequacy and
3 fair and reasonable nature of the settlement.

4 The lawyers in the case are experienced in this type
5 of litigation. The lawyers on both sides have vigorously
6 contested the litigation and all lawyers asked me to approve
7 the settlement.

8 The settlement class is a relatively small class of
9 about 125 people. There are no objections. There are many
10 sophisticated members of the class with large stakes involved
11 in the litigation. The fact that no one has objected to the
12 settlement is an important factor in explaining the -- in
13 supporting the fairness and reasonableness and adequacy of the
14 settlement. The fact that there's only one opt out with only
15 about .05 percent of the purchases of Buspar also underlines
16 the fact that the members of the class wish to participate in
17 this settlement even though by participating in the settlement
18 they finally resolve any claims that they have relating to the
19 subject matter of the litigation.

20 Applying the Grinnell standards this is a very
21 complex litigation with numerous complex issues of fact and
22 law. While the plaintiffs believe that they have a strong
23 case, they similarly understand that there are significant
24 risks of litigation which could substantially reduce their
25 recovery even if they were able to succeed ultimately at trial.
26 As I've noted, the reaction of the class to the settlement

1 certainly supports the settlement. The stage of the
2 proceedings supports the settlement because there has been
3 sufficient discovery to allow the analysis of the settlement,
4 but there remains a significant amount of work yet to be done
5 in the case if the case were to go forward. There's expert
6 discovery, which has not been completed in the case. There are
7 issues relating to attorney-client privilege with respect to
8 the documents. There would be substantial litigation with
9 respect to dispositive motions. If the case survived
10 dispositive motions, the case would go forward to extensive
11 motions in limine, a joint pretrial order and what would be a
12 lengthy trial.

13 So settling at this point saves the cost and expenses
14 of the future litigation but at the same time can be based upon
15 a more than adequate record.

16 With respect to the risks of establishing liability,
17 there are risks involved in the case. There are significant
18 legal issues involved and even though the Court has resolved
19 some of the issues in the way that the Court believed was
20 correct, those are issues which would still be subject to
21 appeal.

22 With respect to the risks of establishing damages,
23 damages depend upon various expert calculations and expert
24 models and upon some assumptions which have certainly been
25 questioned by BMS experts and whether the plaintiffs' damages
26 models would eventually succeed would certainly be a risk,

1 which is also one of the risks of maintaining the action
2 through trial although it is unlikely that there would be a
3 decision that the class could not survive as a class through
4 trial.

5 Another Grinnell factor is the ability of the
6 defendant to withstand a greater judgment which is not a
7 significant factor in this case given the amount of the
8 settlement even though it's plain that the defendant could pay
9 a higher judgment, or at least the papers do not dispute that.

10 Perhaps most importantly the reasonableness of the
11 settlement against possible recovery and factoring in the risks
12 of litigation the amount of the settlement both absolutely and
13 judged against possible, the possible recovery in the case is
14 very high. There's no question that this is a real settlement
15 with a substantial amount of recovery for the class and that
16 the various damages models suggest that it is a substantial
17 percentage recovery for the class.

18 So taking all of the factors into account, there's no
19 question that the settlement is fair, reasonable and adequate.

20 With respect to the issue of attorney's fees, the
21 one-third percentage that is sought in this case satisfies the
22 various criteria that are set out in the cases for approving a
23 reasonable attorney's fee. I've looked at the calculations,
24 studied the calculations, including the Loadstar calculations
25 as a means of checking the percentage fee in terms of hours and
26 rates that went into the Loadstar, and I'll come back to the

1 Loadstar in a moment.

2 The fee of one-third falls within the range of rates
3 that have been approved in other class actions. Determining
4 then whether the percentage fee is a reasonable fee in this
5 case applying the traditional standards it's clear for the
6 reasons that I already said in approving the settlement that
7 this is a very large and complex litigation. There is always
8 risk involved in the litigation. The fee that's being sought
9 is a completely contingent fee. The case was taken on plainly
10 on a contingent fee basis and that is entitled to greater
11 weight than simply an hourly rate because the lawyers could
12 have walked away having done substantial work with no recovery.
13 This is not a case where the ground was substantially plowed
14 before. While issues were raised with respect to the 365
15 patent, they remained to be litigated and there were
16 substantial issues which had to be decided in this case with
17 respect to whether there could be recovery over the allegations
18 relating to the 365 patent, and those were issues which had not
19 even -- have not been tested on appeal.

20 The Schein agreement was developed -- the arguments
21 with respect to the Schein agreement and recovery with respect
22 to the Schein agreement were developed completely in this case
23 so that the attorneys were able to establish a basis for
24 recovery which benefitted the class. The quality of
25 representation was very high. The case was vigorously
26 litigated on both sides and the quality of the lawyers in the

1 case was excellent.

2 The requested award in relationship to the
3 settlement, the plaintiff's counsel are correct that the
4 settlement is a very good settlement for the class. It is a
5 high percentage of possible recovery for the class and the
6 percentage fee is within the range of reasonableness for other
7 contingent fees. There is certainly a public policy favoring
8 the pursuit of anti-trust litigation on the part of consumers.

9 Looking at the Loadstar as a check on the one-third
10 requested contingent fee suggests that this fee is at the high
11 end because the relationship between the Loadstar and the fee
12 indicates a multiplier of 8.46 and plainly results in a very --
13 in a high hourly rate. That is mitigated to some degree in the
14 case in my view because the case has settled before a
15 substantial amount of additional work has been done which would
16 have to be done if the case went forward to complete discovery,
17 substantive, motions, pretrial preparations and trial, to say
18 nothing of appeal.

19 During all of that period the number of hours spent
20 would have significantly increased. So the Loadstar would have
21 gone up and the multiplier would have gone down. Without any
22 reason to believe that the ultimate recovery would have been
23 any greater for the class and the use of the Loadstar has been
24 criticized in some cases as not being a very useful measure
25 because it encourages unproductive work and excessive hours
26 without any assurance that the results will be better for the

1 class -- I've looked at the rates and the hours and the rates
2 and the hours appear to be reasonable. So that the beginning
3 Loadstar -- the beginning for the Loadstar calculation is a
4 wholly reasonable beginning and given the stage in the
5 litigation and the possibility that hours would have to be
6 substantially increased without any assurance that there would
7 be any additional money for the class leads to me think that
8 the Loadstar is less useful here as a measure of reasonableness
9 than the one-third contingent fee, which is what ultimately is
10 being sought, one-third fee to include expenses.

11 Ultimately, one of the most important factors in my
12 judgment as to the reasonableness of the fee is the reaction of
13 the class. The defendant doesn't object to the fee, but of
14 course the defendant has no interest in the size of the fee in
15 this case because the settlement is a non-reversionary
16 settlement which has been put up by the defendant and whether
17 that amount of money goes to increase somewhat what the class
18 gets or increase somewhat what the class' lawyers get is of no
19 economic consequence to the defendant. But the members of the
20 class have a significant interest in determining whether this
21 is a reasonable fee because any of the members of the class
22 could have come forward with objections to the size of the fee
23 and raised any of the issues with respect to the Loadstar or
24 the number of hours or the ultimate hourly rates for the
25 lawyers.

26 The class in this case is a relatively small class, a

1 sophisticated class represented by sophisticated lawyers who
2 with the best interests of their clients looked at the fee
3 request and made a determination not to object to the fee
4 request even though had there been an objection to the fee
5 request and the Court had to decide that request that amount of
6 money could have only benefitted the class. But having looked
7 at all of the factors that go into account for determining the
8 reasonableness of a fee, the class decided not to raise any
9 objections to the fee. So that is a very important factor in
10 assessing the reasonableness of the fee sought in this case.

11 So one reason that I go through this is it's a matter
12 of some concern that other fee requests in other cases get
13 cited back without any differentiation for what went on in the
14 fee applications in the individual cases. It makes a
15 difference, for example, whether there is as plaintiff's
16 counsel pointed out a class of very small consumers who may not
17 have the incentive to and the wherewithal to be heard on the
18 issue of fees. The nature of the class makes a difference. In
19 Bucksbaum, which is also cited to me, there were sophisticated
20 investors who also could have been heard on the nature of the
21 fee. That cautions against simply looking at the amounts
22 involved and the ranges involved in other cases in an
23 undifferentiated case in a undifferentiated way.

24 So looking at all of the factors in this case that
25 I've gone through at the end I will grant the fee request for a
26 one-third contingent fee and expense and the \$25,000.00

1 incentive payment for the individual plaintiff that was sought
2 which is a wholly reasonable amount and perfectly consistent
3 with other cases.

4 There are only -- I've gone over the proposed
5 judgment. As I've said, I will -- unless anyone wants to be
6 heard before I sign the order and final judgment. No.

7 I haven't heard anything from the states today. Just
8 watching?

9 MR. SCHWARTZ: We're just monitoring the proceedings,
10 Your Honor. Thank you.

11 THE COURT: All right. I've signed the order and
12 final judgment. I will see that it's entered. If you choose
13 to wait a moment, we would probably make a copy for you of
14 what's been signed if you wish. Otherwise it will appear in
15 the normal course.

16 Anything else? No. All right. Good evening all.
17 It's good to see you all. Have a good weekend. Let my clerk
18 know if you want a copy before you leave.

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1 I certify that the foregoing is a court transcript from an
2 electronic sound recording of the proceedings in the above-
3 entitled matter.

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VIA CLASS COUNSEL

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Re: *In re Asacol Antitrust Litigation*, 15-cv-12730-DJC

Dear Judge Casper:

I write on behalf of AmerisourceBergen Drug Corporation (“ABDC”) in support of the pending motions seeking final approval of the proposed settlement and an attorneys’ fee award for Class Counsel in the above-captioned litigation.

ABDC, an absent class member, is one of the three largest pharmaceutical distributors in the country. As a result, it is my understanding ABDC’s claim for recovery from the Settlement Fund in this case will be one of the three largest claims made by any class member.

Class Counsel have fully informed ABDC of the facts and circumstances of the case, and the legal hurdles and other risks involved from its inception and through settlement. ABDC is satisfied that the proposed settlement is fair and adequate, and that the proposed attorneys’ fee award of 1/3 of the settlement amount is appropriate in this case. In addition to the value of the \$15 million settlement achieved on behalf of the class, this fee award is justified by the time and expense that Class Counsel put into prosecuting and favorably resolving this complex litigation. It is also justified by the fact that many of the same Counsel have worked diligently developing the law in this area in other cases but, on occasion, have received no compensation.

For these reasons, ABDC asks the Court to approve the settlement and supports Class Counsel’s application for attorneys’ fees and reimbursement of costs.

Respectfully,

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Re: *In re Asacol Antitrust Litigation*, Case No. 1:15-cv-12730-DJC

Dear Judge Casper:

I write on behalf of Cardinal Health, Inc. (“Cardinal Health”) in support of the pending motions seeking final approval of the proposed settlement and an attorneys’ fee award for Class Counsel in the above-captioned litigation.

Cardinal Health, an absent class member in the direct purchaser litigation, is one of the three largest pharmaceutical distributors in the country. As a result, it is my understanding that Cardinal Health’s claim for recovery from the settlement will be one of the three largest claims made.

Class Counsel have, through me, informed Cardinal Health of the general facts and circumstances of the case, the legal hurdles, and other risks involved in the case, as well as of the terms of the settlement. Based upon the information provided by Class Counsel, Cardinal Health is satisfied the proposed settlement is fair and adequate. Cardinal Health is also satisfied that the proposed attorneys’ fee award is acceptable in this case.

For these reasons, Cardinal Health asks the Court to approve the settlement and has no objection to Class Counsel’s application for attorneys’ fees and reimbursement of costs, as well as Class Counsel’s request for incentive awards for the named Plaintiffs in this case.

Sincerely,



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Re: *In re Asacol Antitrust Litigation*
Civil Action No. 1:15-cv-12730 (DJC) (D. Mass.)

Dear Judge Casper:

I write on behalf of McKesson Corporation (“McKesson”) in support of class counsel’s pending motion seeking final approval of the proposed settlement and fee award in the above-captioned case.

McKesson is an absent class member in the current litigation and one of the three largest pharmaceutical distributors in the United States. McKesson has concluded the proposed settlement is fair and adequate and the proposed attorney’s fee award of one-third of the settlement is appropriate.

For these reasons, McKesson asks the Court to approve the settlement and supports class counsel’s application for attorneys’ fees and reimbursements of costs.

Very truly yours,

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January 2, 2018

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Re: *In re Celebrex (Celecoxib) Antitrust Litig.*, Case No. 2:14-cv-00361-AWA-DEM

Dear Judge Allen:

I write on behalf of my client, AmerisourceBergen Drug Corporation (“ABDC”), in support of the proposed settlement and Class Counsel’s request for attorneys’ fees.

ABDC is a class member in this litigation and one of the largest prescription drug wholesalers in the country. It is my understanding that my client’s claim to recovery in this case will be substantial.

Lead Class Counsel has, through me, informed ABDC of the facts and circumstances of the case, including the legal issues and risks involved. ABDC is satisfied that the proposed settlement is fair and adequate, that the proposed attorneys’ fees of one-third of the net recovery (the gross recovery less litigation expenses) is appropriate in this case, and that the proposed service award to each class representative is appropriate.

ABDC respectfully asks the Court to approve the settlement and supports Class Counsel’s application for attorneys’ fees, reimbursement of costs, and service awards to the three class representatives.

Respectfully submitted,



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Re: *American Sales Company, LLC v. Pfizer, Inc., et al.*, No. 2:14-cv-361

Dear Judge Allen:

I write on behalf of Cardinal Health, Inc. (“Cardinal Health”) in support of the pending motions seeking final approval of the proposed settlement and an attorneys’ fee award for Class Counsel in the above-captioned litigation.

Cardinal Health, an absent class member in the direct purchaser litigation, is one of the three largest pharmaceutical distributors in the country. As a result, it is my understanding that Cardinal Health’s claim for recovery from the settlement will be one of the three largest claims made.

Class Counsel have, through me, informed Cardinal Health of the general facts and circumstances of the case, the legal hurdles, and other risks involved in the case, as well as of the terms of the settlement. Based upon the information provided by Class Counsel, Cardinal Health is satisfied the proposed settlement is fair and adequate. Cardinal Health is also satisfied that the proposed attorneys’ fee award is acceptable in this case.



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January 4, 2018

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Re: *In re Celebrex (Celecoxib) Antitrust Litigation*
Lead Case No. 2:14-cv-00361-AWA-DEM

Dear Judge Wright Allen:

I write on behalf of McKesson Corporation ("McKesson") in support of class counsel's pending motion seeking final approval of the proposed settlement and fee award in the above-captioned case.

McKesson is an absent class member in the current litigation and one of the three largest pharmaceutical distributors in the United States. McKesson has concluded the proposed settlement is fair and adequate and the proposed attorney's fee award of one-third of the net settlement recovery (gross recovery minus litigation expenses) is appropriate.

For these reasons, McKesson asks the Court to approve the settlement and supports class counsel's application for attorneys' fees and reimbursements of costs.

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The Honorable Anita B. Brody
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Re: *In re Flonase Antitrust Litigation, American Sales Co., Inc. v. SmithKlineBeecham*, 08-cv-03149 (E.D. Pa.)

Dear Judge Brody:

I write on behalf of our client, Cardinal Health, Inc. (“Cardinal Health”), in support of the pending motion seeking final approval of the proposed settlement and fee award in the above-captioned litigation.

Cardinal Health, an absent class member in the current litigation, is one of the three largest pharmaceutical distributors in the United States. As a result, it is our understanding that Cardinal Health’s claim for recovery from the settlement in this case will be one of the three largest claims.

Based on information from Class counsel, our firm has fully informed Cardinal Health on an ongoing basis of the facts and circumstances of the case, the legal hurdles, and other risks involved in this case. Cardinal Health is satisfied that the proposed settlement is fair and adequate and that the proposed attorneys’ fee award of one-third of the settlement amount is appropriate in this case. In addition to the value of the settlement achieved on behalf of the class, this award is justified by the time and expense Class counsel incurred in prosecuting and favorably resolving part of this complex litigation.

For these reasons, Cardinal Health respectfully asks the Court to approve the settlement and supports class counsel’s application for attorneys’ fees and reimbursement of costs, as well as Class counsel’s request for incentive award for the representative plaintiff in this case.

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Re: In re Flonase Antitrust Litigation, American Sales Co., Inc. v. SmithKlineBeecham
Case No. 08-cv-03149 (E.D.P.A)

Dear Judge Brody:

I write on behalf of my client, McKesson Corporation ("McKesson"), in support of final approval of the proposed settlement and fee award in the above-captioned litigation.

McKesson is an absent class member in the current litigation and one of the three largest pharmaceutical distributors in the country. As a result, it is my understanding that McKesson's claim to recovery in this case will be one of the largest by any class member.

Class counsel have, through me, fully informed McKesson of the facts and circumstances of the case, and the legal issues and risks involved. McKesson is satisfied that the proposed settlement is fair and adequate.

McKesson respectfully asks the Court to approve the settlement and supports class counsel's application for attorneys' fees and reimbursement of costs.

Respectfully,



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August 9, 2017

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Hon. Cathy Waldor
United States District Court for the
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Martin Luther King Building &
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Newark, NJ 07101

Re: *In re K-Dur Antitrust Litigation*, No. 2:01-cv-01652-SRC-CLW, MDL No. 1419

Dear Judge Chesler and Judge Waldor:

I write on behalf of Cardinal Health, Inc. ("Cardinal Health") in support of the pending motions seeking final approval of the proposed settlement between the direct purchaser class and Defendants, and an attorneys' fee award for Class Counsel in the above-captioned litigation.

Cardinal Health, an absent class member in the direct purchaser litigation, is one of the three largest pharmaceutical distributors in the country. As a result, it is my understanding that Cardinal Health's claim for recovery from the settlement will be one of the three largest claims made.

Co-Lead Counsel have, through me, informed Cardinal Health of the general facts and circumstances of the case, the legal hurdles, and other risks involved in the case, as well as of the terms of the settlement. Based upon the information provided by Co-Lead Counsel, Cardinal Health is satisfied the proposed settlement is fair and adequate and believes the proposed attorneys' fee award of one-third of the settlement amount is appropriate in this case.

August 21, 2017

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Hon. Cathy Waldor
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50 Walnut Street, Room 4040
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Re: *In re K-Dur Antitrust Litigation, No. 2:01-cv-01652-SRC-CLW,*
MDL No. 1419

Dear Judge Chesler and Judge Waldor:

I am outside legal counsel to McKesson Corporation. McKesson is an absent class member in the current litigation and one of the largest wholesale distributors of pharmaceuticals in the United States. I understand McKesson's claim for recovery in this case will be one of the largest.

McKesson supports final approval of the proposed settlement and class counsel's requested fee award. McKesson has concluded the proposed settlement is fair and adequate, the proposed attorneys' fees of one-third of the settlement amount are appropriate in this case, and the proposed service award to the representative plaintiff is appropriate.

McKesson respectfully asks the Court to approve the settlement and class counsel's application for attorneys' fees, reimbursement of costs, and service award to the representative plaintiff.

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The Honorable Faith S. Hochberg, U.S.D.J.
United States District Court for the District of New Jersey
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Re: *In re Neurontin Antitrust Litigation*, MDL No. 1479 (FSH) (PS)

Dear Judge Hochberg:

I write on behalf of my client, AmerisourceBergen Corporation (“ABC”), in support of final approval of the proposed settlement and fee award in the above-captioned litigation.

ABC is an absent class member in the current litigation and one of the three largest pharmaceutical distributors in the country. As a result, it is my understanding that our client’s claim to recovery in this case will be one of the largest by any class member.

Class Counsel have, through me, fully informed ABC of the facts and circumstances of the case, and the legal issues and risks involved. ABC is satisfied that the proposed settlement is fair and adequate, that the proposed attorneys’ fees of one-third of the settlement amount is appropriate in this case, and that the proposed service awards to each representative plaintiff are appropriate.

ABC respectfully asks the Court to approve the settlement and supports class counsel’s application for attorneys’ fees and reimbursement of costs, and service awards to the representative plaintiffs.

Respectfully,



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**Re: *In re Neurontin Antitrust Litigation*, MDL No. 1479
(FSH) (PS)**

Dear Judge Hochberg:

I write on behalf of our client, Cardinal Health, Inc. (“Cardinal Health”), in support of the pending motions seeking final approval of the proposed settlement and an attorneys’ fee award for Class Counsel in the above-captioned litigation.

Cardinal Health, an absent class member in the current litigation, is one of the three largest pharmaceutical distributors in the United States. As a result, it is our understanding that Cardinal Health’s claim for recovery from the settlement in this case will be one of the three largest.

Based on information from Class Counsel, our firm has fully informed Cardinal Health on the facts and circumstances of the case, the legal hurdles, and other risks involved in the case. Cardinal Health is satisfied the proposed settlement is fair and adequate and the proposed attorneys’ fee award of one-third of the settlement amount is appropriate in this case. In addition to the value of the settlement achieved on behalf of the class, this award is justified by the time and expense class counsel incurred in prosecuting and favorably resolving this complex litigation well over more than a decade.

For these reasons, Cardinal Health asks the Court to approve the settlement and supports Class Counsel’s application for attorneys’ fees and

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reimbursement of costs, as well as Class Counsel's request for incentive awards for the named plaintiffs in this case.

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Re: In re Neurontin Antitrust Litigation, MDL No. 1479 (FSH) (PS)

Dear Judge Hochberg:

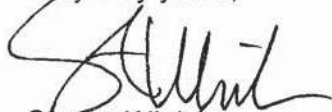
I write on behalf of my client, McKesson Corporation ("McKesson"), in support of final approval of the proposed settlement and fee award in the above-captioned litigation.

McKesson is an absent class member in the current litigation, and one of the three largest pharmaceutical distributors in the United States. I understand that McKesson's claim for recovery in this case will be one of the largest by any class member.

Class counsel have, through me, fully informed McKesson of the facts and circumstances of the case, and the legal issues and risks involved. McKesson has concluded the proposed settlement is fair and adequate, the proposed attorneys' fees of one-third of the settlement amount are appropriate in this case, and the proposed service awards to each representative plaintiff are appropriate.

Accordingly, McKesson respectfully asks the Court to approve the settlement and supports class counsel's application for attorneys' fees and reimbursement of costs and service awards to the representative plaintiffs.

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January 19, 2011

Honorable Richard J. Leon
United States District Judge
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Re: In Re Nifedipine Antitrust Litigation; Civil Action No. 1:03-MS-223 (RJL)

Dear Judge Leon:

I write on behalf of our client, AmerisourceBergen Corporation ("ABC"), in support of the pending motion seeking final approval of the proposed settlement and fee award in the above-captioned litigation, and service awards to the representative plaintiffs.

ABC is an absent class member in the current litigation and one of the three largest pharmaceutical distributors in the country. As a result, it is my understanding that it is likely that our client's claim to recovery in this case will be one of the three largest claims made by any class member.

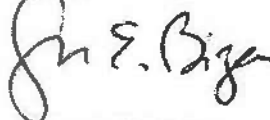
Class counsel have, through me, fully informed ABC of the facts and circumstances of the case, and the legal hurdles and other risks involved in the case. ABC is satisfied that the proposed settlement is fair and adequate, that the proposed attorneys' fee award of one-third of the settlement amount is appropriate in this case, and that the proposed service awards of \$60,000 to each representative plaintiff are also appropriate in this case. In addition to the value of the overall, \$35 million settlement achieved on behalf of the class, the requested fee award is justified by the time and expense that class counsel expended in prosecuting and favorably resolving this complex litigation.

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For this reason, ABC asks the Court to approve the settlement and supports class counsel's application for attorneys' fees and reimbursement of costs, and service awards to the representative plaintiffs.

Respectfully,

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Re: In Re Nifedipine Antitrust Litigation; Civil Action No. 1:03-MS-223 (R.JL)

Dear Judge Leon:

I write on behalf of my client, Cardinal Health, Inc. ("Cardinal Health"), in support of the pending motion seeking final approval of the proposed settlement and fee award in the above-captioned litigation, and service awards to the representative plaintiffs.

Cardinal Health is an absent class member in the current litigation and one of the three largest pharmaceutical distributors in the country. As a result, it is my understanding that it is likely that our client's claim to recovery in this case will be one of the three largest claims made by any class member.

Class counsel have, through me, fully informed Cardinal Health of the facts and circumstances of the case, and the legal hurdles and other risks involved in the case. Cardinal Health is satisfied that the proposed settlement is fair and adequate, that the proposed attorneys' fee award of one-third of the settlement amount is appropriate in this case, and that the proposed service awards of \$60,000 to each representative plaintiff are also appropriate in this case. In addition to the value of the overall, \$35 million settlement achieved on behalf of the class, the requested fee award is justified by the time and expense that class counsel expended in prosecuting and favorably resolving this complex litigation.

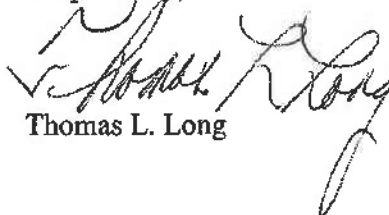
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For this reason, Cardinal Health asks the Court to approve the settlement and supports class counsel's application for attorneys' fees and reimbursement of costs, and service awards to the representative plaintiffs.

Respectfully,



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January 14, 2011

Honorable Richard J. Leon
United States District Judge
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Re: In Re Nifedipine Antitrust Litigation; Civil Action No. 1:03-MS-223 (RJL)

Dear Judge Leon:

I write on behalf of my client, McKesson Corporation ("McKesson"), in support of the pending motion seeking final approval of the proposed settlement and fee award in the above-captioned litigation.

McKesson is an absent class member in the current litigation and one of the three largest pharmaceutical distributors in the country. As a result, it is my understanding that it is likely that our client's claim to recovery in this case will be one of the largest claims made by any class member.

Class counsel have, through me, fully informed McKesson of the facts and circumstances of the case, and the legal hurdles and other risks involved in the case. McKesson is satisfied that the proposed settlement is fair and adequate, that the proposed attorneys' fee award of one-third of the settlement amount is appropriate in this case, and that the proposed service awards to each representative plaintiff are also appropriate in this case.

For this reason, McKesson asks the Court to approve the settlement and supports class counsel's application for attorneys' fees and reimbursement of costs, and service awards to the representative plaintiffs.

Respectfully,



Richard A. Ardoin
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Honorable Richard J. Leon
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Bcc: David Sorensen

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May 5, 2011

The Honorable Claudia Wilken
United States District Court
for the Northern District of California
1301 Clay Street
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**Re: *Meijer, Inc., et al. v. Abbott Laboratories,*
Case No. C 07-5985 CW (N.D. Cal.)**

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Dear Judge Wilken:

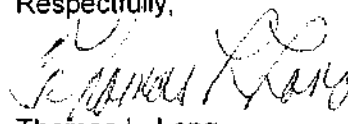
I write on behalf of my client, Cardinal Health, Inc. ("Cardinal Health"), in support of the pending motions seeking final approval of the proposed settlement and an attorneys' fee award for Class Counsel in the above-captioned litigation.

Cardinal Health, an absent class member in the current litigation, is one of the three largest pharmaceutical distributors in the country. As a result, it is my understanding that Cardinal Health's claim for recovery from the settlement in this case will be one of the three largest claims made.

Class Counsel have, through me, fully informed Cardinal Health of the facts and circumstances of the case, the legal hurdles and other risks involved in the case from its inception through trial and ultimately settlement. Based on the information provided by Class Counsel and Cardinal Health's own assessment of the facts and legal issues, Cardinal Health is satisfied the proposed settlement is fair and adequate. Based on the value of the settlement and the time and expense which Class Counsel invested on behalf of the class members in prosecuting and resolving this matter, Cardinal Health is also satisfied the proposed attorney fee award of the settlement amount is appropriate.

Cardinal Health respectfully requests the Court to approve the settlement and further supports Class Counsel's application for attorneys' fees and reimbursement of costs.

Respectfully,



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May 4, 2011

The Honorable Claudia Wilken
United States District Court for the Northern District of California
1301 Clay Street
Oakland, CA 94612

**Re: *Meijer, Inc., et al. v. Abbott Laboratories,*
Case No.: C 07-5985 CW (N.D. Cal.)**

Dear Judge Wilken:

I am Associate General Counsel for McKesson Corporation ("McKesson") in charge of Litigation, and I am writing in support of the pending motions seeking final approval of the proposed settlement and fee award in the above-captioned case.

McKesson, which is headquartered in San Francisco, is an absent class member in the current litigation. We are one of the three largest pharmaceutical distributors in the country. As a result, it is my understanding that our claim to recovery will be one of the three largest claims made to the Settlement Fund in this case.

During the entire course of this matter, including through trial, Class Counsel have kept McKesson well informed of the facts and circumstances of the case, and the legal hurdles and other risks involved. McKesson is satisfied that the proposed \$52 million cash settlement is fair and adequate, and that the proposed attorneys' fee award of one-third of the settlement amount is appropriate in this case. In addition to the value of the \$52 million settlement achieved on behalf of the class, McKesson believes that this award is justified by the time and expense that class counsel put into prosecuting and favorably resolving this complex litigation.

For this reason, McKesson asks the Court to approve the settlement and supports class counsel's application for attorneys' fees and reimbursement of costs.

Respectfully,



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May 9, 2011

The Honorable Claudia Wilken
United States District Court
for the Northern District of California
1301 Clay Street
Oakland, CA 94612

**Re: *Meijer, Inc., et al. v. Abbott Laboratories,*
Case No. C 07-5985 CW (N.D. Cal.)**

Dear Judge Wilken:

I write on behalf of my client, AmerisourceBergen Corporation ("ABC"), in support of the pending motions seeking final approval of the proposed settlement and an attorneys' fee award for Class Counsel in the above-captioned litigation.

ABC, an absent class member in the current litigation, is one of the three largest pharmaceutical distributors in the country. As a result, it is my understanding our claim for recovery from the Settlement Fund in this case will be one of the three largest claims made by any class member.

Class Counsel have, through me, fully informed ABC of the facts and circumstances of the case, and the legal hurdles and other risks involved from its inception and through trial and settlement. ABC is satisfied that the proposed settlement is fair and adequate, and that the proposed attorneys' fee award of one-third of the settlement amount is appropriate in this case. In addition to the value of the \$52 million settlement achieved on behalf of the class, this fee award is justified by the time and expense that class counsel put into prosecuting and favorably resolving this complex litigation.

For this reason, ABC asks the Court to approve the settlement and supports Class Counsel's application for attorneys' fees and reimbursement of costs.

Respectfully,



Donald W. Myers

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November 10, 2010

Honorable Sidney H. Stein
United States District Judge
United States District Court
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New York, NY 10007-1312

Re: In re OxyContin Antitrust Litigation
MDL Docket No. 1603 (SHS)

Dear Judge Stein:

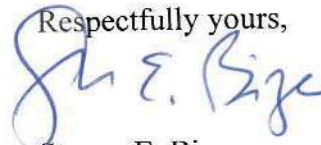
I write on behalf of our client, AmerisourceBergen Corporation, in support of the pending motion seeking final approval of the proposed settlement and fee award in the above-captioned litigation.

ABC, an absent class member in the current litigation, is one of the three largest pharmaceutical distributors in the country. As a result, it is my understanding that it is likely that our client's claim to recovery in this case will be one of the three largest claims made by any class member.

Class counsel have, through me, fully informed ABC of the facts and circumstances of the case, and the legal hurdles and other risks involved in the case. ABC is satisfied that the proposed settlement is fair and adequate, and that the proposed attorneys' fee award of one-third of the settlement amount is appropriate in this case. In addition to the value of the \$16 million settlement achieved on behalf of the class, this award is justified by the time and expense that class counsel put into prosecuting and favorably resolving this complex litigation.

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For these reasons, ABC respectfully asks the Court to approve the settlement. ABC also supports class counsel's application for attorneys' fees and reimbursement of costs.

Respectfully yours,

Steven E. Bizar

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**Re: *In re OxyContin Antitrust Litigation*
MDL Docket No. 1603 (SHS)**

Dear Judge Stein:

I write on behalf of my client, Cardinal Health, Inc. ("Cardinal Health"), in support of the pending motion seeking final approval of the proposed settlement and fee award in the above-captioned litigation.

Cardinal Health is an absent class member in the current litigation and one of the three largest pharmaceutical distributors in the country. As a result, it is my understanding that it is likely that our client's claim to recovery in this case will be one of the three largest claims made to any class member.

Class counsel have, through me, fully informed Cardinal Health of the facts and circumstances of the case, and the legal hurdles and other risks involved in the case. Cardinal Health is satisfied that the proposed settlement is fair and adequate, and that the proposed attorneys' fee award of one-third of the settlement amount is appropriate in this case. In addition to the value of the \$16 million settlement achieved on behalf of the class, the requested fee award is justified by the time and expense that class counsel expended in prosecuting and favorably resolving this complex litigation.

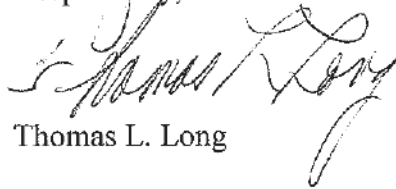
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November 10, 2010

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For this reason, Cardinal Health asks the Court to approve the settlement and supports class counsel's application for attorneys' fees and reimbursement of costs.

Respectfully,

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November 15, 2010

Honorable Sidney H. Stein
United States District Judge
United States District Court
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**Re: *In re OxyContin Antitrust Litigation*
MDL Docket No. 1603 (SHS)**

Dear Judge Stein:

I write on behalf of my client, McKesson Corporation ("MCK"), in support of the pending motion seeking final approval of the proposed settlement and fee award in the above-captioned litigation.

MCK is an absent class member in the above-described litigation and is one of the three largest pharmaceutical distributors in the country. As a result, it is my understanding that MCK's claim in this case will be one of the three largest claims.

Class counsel has, through me, fully informed MCK of the facts and circumstances of the case, and the legal hurdles and other risks it involves. MCK is satisfied that the proposed settlement is fair and adequate, and that the proposed attorneys' fee award of one-third of the settlement amount is appropriate in this complex case.

For this reason, MCK asks the Court to approve the settlement and supports class counsel's application for attorneys' fees and reimbursement of costs.

Respectfully,

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December 10, 2014

The Honorable Judge Avern Cohn
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Re: *In re Prandin Direct Purchaser Antitrust Litig.*
Case No. 2.10-cv-12141-AC-DAS (E.D. Mich.)

Dear Judge Cohn:

I write on behalf of Cardinal Health, Inc. ("Cardinal Health"), in support of the pending motions seeking final approval of the proposed settlement and an attorneys' fee award for Class Counsel in the above-captioned litigation.

Cardinal Health, an absent class member in the current litigation, is one of the three largest pharmaceutical distributors in the country. As a result, it is my understanding that Cardinal Health's claim for recovery from the settlement in this case will be one of the three largest claims made.

Class Counsel have, through me, informed Cardinal Health of the general facts and circumstances of the case, the legal hurdles and other risks involved in the case, and the settlement. Based on the information provided by Class Counsel and Cardinal Health's own assessment of the facts and legal issues, Cardinal Health is satisfied the proposed settlement is fair and adequate. Based on the value of the settlement and the time and expense which Class Counsel invested on behalf of the class members in prosecuting and resolving this matter, Cardinal Health is also satisfied the proposed attorney fee award of the settlement amount is appropriate.

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Cardinal Health respectfully requests the Court approve the settlement and further supports Class Counsel's application for attorneys' fees and reimbursement of costs.

Sincerely,

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VIA OVERNIGHT MAIL

The Honorable Judge Avern Cohn
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Re: *In re Prandin Direct Purchaser Antitrust Litig.*,
Case No. 2:10-cv-12141-AC-DAS (E.D. Mich.)

Dear Judge Cohn:

I write on behalf of AmerisourceBergen Corporation (“ABC”) in support of the pending motions seeking final approval of the proposed settlement and an attorneys’ fee award for Class Counsel in the above-captioned litigation.

ABC, an absent class member in the current litigation, is one of the three largest pharmaceutical distributors in the country. As a result, it is my understanding our claim for recovery from the Settlement Fund in this case will be one of the three largest claims made by any class member.

Class Counsel have, through me, fully informed ABC of the facts and circumstances of the case, and the legal hurdles and other risks involved from its inception and through trial and settlement. ABC is satisfied that the proposed settlement is fair and adequate, and that the proposed attorneys’ fee award of one-third of the settlement amount is appropriate in this case. In addition to the value of the \$19 million settlement achieved on behalf of the class, this fee award is justified by the time and expense that class counsel put into prosecuting and favorably resolving this complex litigation.

For this reason, ABC asks the Court to approve the settlement and supports Class Counsel’s application for attorneys’ fees and reimbursement of costs.

Respectfully submitted,



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December 16, 2014

VIA EMAIL

The Honorable Judge Avern Cohn
United States District Court for the Eastern District of Michigan
Theodore Levin U.S. Courthouse
231 West Lafayette Boulevard
Detroit, MI 48226

Re: *In re Prandin Direct Purchaser Antitrust Litig.*
Case No. 2:10-cv-12141-AC-DAS (E.D. Mich.)

Dear Judge Cohn:

I write on behalf of McKesson Corporation (“McKesson”) in support of the pending motions seeking final approval of the proposed settlement and fee award in the above-captioned case.

McKesson, which is headquartered in San Francisco, is an absent class member in the current litigation. We are one of the three largest pharmaceutical distributors in the country, and I understand our claim will be one of the three largest claims made to the Settlement Fund in this case.

During the entire course of this matter Class Counsel have kept McKesson well informed of the facts and circumstances of the case and the legal hurdles and other risks involved. McKesson is satisfied the proposed \$19 million cash settlement is fair and adequate and the proposed attorneys’ fee award of one-third of the settlement amount is appropriate. In addition to the value of the \$19 million settlement, McKesson believes this award is justified by the time and expense class counsel put into prosecuting and favorably resolving this complex litigation.

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For these reasons, McKesson asks the Court to approve the settlement and supports class counsel's application for attorneys' fees and reimbursement of costs.

Respectfully,



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April 1, 2015

VIA OVERNIGHT MAIL

The Honorable Rya W. Zobel
United States District Court
District of Massachusetts
1 Courthouse Way
Boston, MA 02210

Re: *In re Prograf Antitrust Litigation*,
No. 11-mdl-02242-RWZ (D. Mass.)

Dear Judge Zobel:

I write on behalf of AmerisourceBergen Corporation (“ABC”) in support of the pending motions seeking final approval of the proposed settlement and an attorneys’ fee award for Class Counsel in the above-captioned litigation.

ABC, an absent class member in the current litigation, is one of the three largest pharmaceutical distributors in the country. As a result, it is my understanding ABC’s claim for recovery from the Settlement Fund in this case will be one of the three largest claims made by any class member.

Class Counsel have, through me, fully informed ABC of the facts and circumstances of the case, and the legal hurdles and other risks involved from its inception and through trial and settlement. ABC is satisfied that the proposed settlement is fair and adequate, and that the proposed attorneys’ fee award of one-third of the settlement amount is appropriate in this case. In addition to the value of the \$98 million settlement achieved on behalf of the class, this fee award is justified by the time and expense that Class Counsel put into prosecuting and favorably resolving this complex litigation.

For this reason, ABC asks the Court to approve the settlement and supports Class Counsel’s application for attorneys’ fees and reimbursement of costs.

Respectfully submitted,


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April 2, 2015

The Honorable Judge Rya W. Zobel
United States District Court for the District of Massachusetts
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Re: *In re Prograf Antitrust Litig.*
Case No. 11-mdl-02242-RWZ (D. Mass.)

Dear Judge Zobel:

I write on behalf of Cardinal Health, Inc. ("Cardinal Health") in support of the pending motions seeking final approval of the proposed settlement and an attorneys' fee award for Class Counsel in the above-captioned litigation.

Cardinal Health, an absent class member in the current litigation, is one of the three largest pharmaceutical distributors in the country. As a result, it is my understanding that Cardinal Health's claim for recovery from the settlement in this case will be one of the three largest claims made.

Class Counsel have, through me, informed Cardinal Health of the general facts and circumstances of the case, the legal hurdles and other risks involved in the case, and the settlement. Based on the information provided by Class Counsel, Cardinal Health is satisfied the proposed settlement is fair and adequate. Based on the value of the settlement and the time and expense that Class Counsel invested on behalf of the class members in prosecuting and resolving this matter, Cardinal Health is also satisfied the proposed attorney fee award of the settlement amount is appropriate.

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Cardinal Health respectfully requests the Court approve the settlement and further supports Class Counsel's application for attorneys' fees and reimbursement of costs.

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April 2, 2015

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Dear Judge Zobel:

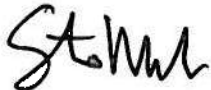
I write on behalf of McKesson Corporation (“McKesson”) in support of the pending motions seeking final approval of the proposed settlement and fee award in the above-captioned case.

McKesson is an absent class member in the current litigation and one of the three largest pharmaceutical distributors in the United States. I understand McKesson’s claim for recovery in this case will be one of the largest by any class member.

Class counsel have kept McKesson well informed of the facts and circumstances of the case and the legal issues and risks involved. McKesson has concluded the proposed settlement is fair and adequate and the proposed attorney’s fee award of one-third of the settlement is appropriate.

For these reasons, McKesson asks the Court to approve the settlement and supports class counsel’s application for attorneys’ fees and reimbursement of costs.

Very truly yours,



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September 11, 2015

VIA CLASS COUNSEL

The Honorable Mitchell S. Goldberg
United States District Court for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania
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601 Market Street
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19106-1797

Re: *King Drug Co. of Florence, Inc. v. Cephalon, Inc., et al.*,
No. 06-cv-1797-MSG (E.D. Pa.)

Dear Judge Goldberg:

I write on behalf of AmerisourceBergen Corporation (“ABC”) in support of the pending motions seeking final approval of the proposed settlement and an attorneys’ fee award for Class Counsel in the above-captioned litigation.

ABC, an absent class member in the current litigation, is one of the three largest pharmaceutical distributors in the country. As a result, it is my understanding ABC’s claim for recovery from the Settlement Fund in this case will be one of the three largest claims made by any class member.

Class Counsel have, through me, fully informed ABC of the facts and circumstances of the case, and the legal hurdles and other risks involved from its inception and through settlement. ABC is satisfied that the proposed settlement is fair and adequate, and that the proposed attorneys’ fee award of 27.5% of the settlement amount is appropriate in this case. In addition to the value of the \$512 million settlement achieved on behalf of the class, this fee award is justified by the time and expense that Class Counsel put into prosecuting and favorably resolving this complex litigation. It is also justified by the fact that many of the same Counsel have worked diligently developing the law in this area in other cases but, on occasion, have received no compensation.

For these reasons, ABC asks the Court to approve the settlement and supports Class Counsel’s application for attorneys’ fees and reimbursement of costs.

Respectfully submitted,



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Re: *King Drug Co. of Florence, et al. v. Cephalon, Inc., et al.*,
E.D. Pa. Case No. 2:06-cv-1797

Dear Judge Goldberg:

I write on behalf of Cardinal Health, Inc. ("Cardinal Health") in support of the pending motions seeking final approval of the proposed settlement between the direct purchaser class and Cephalon, Inc., Teva Pharmaceutical Industries, Ltd., Teva Pharmaceuticals USA Inc., and Barr Pharmaceuticals, Inc. (collectively the "Cephalon Defendants"), and an attorneys' fee award for Class Counsel in the above-captioned litigation.

Cardinal Health, an absent class member in the direct purchaser litigation, is one of the three largest pharmaceutical distributors in the country. As a result, it is my understanding that Cardinal Health's claim for recovery from the settlement with the Cephalon Defendants will be one of the three largest claims made.

Class Counsel have, through me, informed Cardinal Health of the general facts and circumstances of the case, the legal hurdles and other risks involved in the case, and the settlement with the Cephalon Defendants. Based on the information provided by Class Counsel and Cardinal Health's own assessment of the facts and legal issues, Cardinal Health is satisfied the proposed settlement is fair and adequate.

Moreover, based on the value of the settlement and the time and expense Class Counsel invested on behalf of the class members in prosecuting and resolving this matter, Cardinal Health is also satisfied the proposed attorney fee award of 27.5% of the settlement amount is appropriate. It is my understanding that aside from this matter, Class Counsel has worked on a number of similar matters to develop the law in

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this area, including cases where they were unsuccessful and unable to recover any fee award.

Cardinal Health respectfully requests the Court approve the settlement and further supports Class Counsel's application for attorneys' fees and reimbursement of costs.

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The Honorable Mitchell S. Goldberg
Judge of the US District Court
Eastern District of Pennsylvania
601 Market Street
Philadelphia, PA 19106-1797

Re: *King Drug Company of Florence, Inc. v. Cephalon, Inc., et al.*
Civil Action No. 2:06-CV-1797 (E.D. Pa.)

Dear Judge Goldberg:

I write on behalf of my client McKesson Corporation ("McKesson") in support of final approval of the proposed settlement and class counsel's application for a 27.5% proportionate fee award in the above captioned case.

McKesson is an absent class member in the current litigation and one of the three largest pharmaceutical distributors in the country. I understand McKesson's claim for recovery in this case will be one of the largest by any class member.

During the course of this matter class counsel have kept McKesson well informed of the fact and circumstances of the case and the legal hurdles and risks involved. McKesson is satisfied the proposed \$512 million cash settlement is fair and adequate and the proposed attorneys' fee award of 27.5% of the settlement amount is appropriate.

McKesson respectfully asks the Court to approve the settlement and supports class counsel's fee application.

Very truly yours,



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September 27, 2011

The Honorable Gregory M. Sleet
United States District Court
844 North King Street
Wilmington, DE 19801

Re: *In re: Metoprolol Succinate Direct Purchaser Antitrust Litigation,*
C.A. No. 06-052 GMS

Dear Chief Judge Sleet:

I write on behalf of my client, AmerisourceBergen Co. ("AmerisourceBergen"), in support of the pending motions seeking final approval of the proposed settlement and an attorneys' fee award for Class Counsel in the above-captioned litigation.

AmerisourceBergen, an absent class member in the current litigation, is one of the three largest pharmaceutical distributors in the country. As a result, it is my understanding that our claim for recovery from the settlement in this case will be one of the three largest claims made.

Class Counsel have, through me and other counsel for the company, on an ongoing basis fully informed AmerisourceBergen of the facts and circumstances of the case, the legal hurdles and other risks involved in the matter. AmerisourceBergen is satisfied that the proposed settlement is fair and adequate, and that the proposed attorneys' fee award of one-third of the settlement amount is appropriate in this case. In addition to the value of the \$20 million settlement achieved on behalf of the class, this award is justified by the time and expense that class counsel put into prosecuting and favorably resolving this complex litigation.

For this reason, AmerisourceBergen asks the Court to approve the settlement and supports Class Counsel's application for attorneys' fees and reimbursement of costs, as well as Class Counsel's request for incentive awards for the named plaintiffs in this case.

Respectfully,



Donald W. Myers

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Re: *In re: Metoprolol Succinate Direct Purchaser Antitrust Litigation,*
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Dear Chief Judge Sleet:

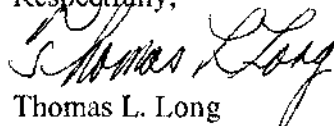
I write on behalf of our client, Cardinal Health, Inc. ("Cardinal Health"), in support of the pending motions seeking final approval of the proposed settlement and an attorneys' fee award for Class Counsel in the above-captioned litigation.

Cardinal Health, an absent class member in the current litigation, is one of the three largest pharmaceutical distributors in the United States. As a result, it is our understanding that Cardinal Health's claim for recovery from the settlement in this case will be one of the three largest claims.

Based on information from Class Counsel, our firm has fully informed Cardinal Health on an ongoing basis of the facts and circumstances of the case, the legal hurdles, and other risks involved in the case. Cardinal Health is satisfied the proposed settlement is fair and adequate and the proposed attorneys' fee award of one-third of the settlement amount is appropriate in this case. In addition to the value of the \$20 million settlement achieved on behalf of the class, this award is justified by the time and expense that class counsel incurred in prosecuting and favorably resolving this complex litigation.

For these reasons, Cardinal Health asks the Court to approve the settlement and supports Class Counsel's application for attorneys' fees and reimbursement of costs, as well as Class Counsel's request for incentive awards for the named plaintiffs in this case.

Respectfully,


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October 3, 2011

The Honorable Gregory M. Sleet
United States District Court
844 North King Street
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RE: *In re: Metoprolol Succinate Direct Purchaser Antitrust Litigation,*
C.A. No. 06-052 GMS

Dear Chief Judge Sleet:

I am Associate General Counsel for McKesson Corporation ("McKesson") and head of the Litigation Group within the company's Law Department. I write in support of the pending motions seeking final approval of the proposed settlement and an attorneys' fee award for Class Counsel in the above-captioned litigation.

McKesson, an absent class member in the current litigation, is one of the three largest pharmaceutical distributors in the country. As a result, it is my understanding that our claim for recovery from the settlement in this case will be one of the three largest claims made.

Class Counsel have, through me and other McKesson counsel, fully informed McKesson on an ongoing basis of the facts and circumstances of the case, the legal hurdles and other risks involved in the matter. McKesson is satisfied that the proposed settlement is fair and adequate, and that the proposed attorneys' fee award of one-third of the settlement amount is appropriate in this case. In addition to the value of the \$20 million settlement achieved on behalf of the class, this award is justified by the time and expense that class counsel put into prosecuting and favorably resolving this complex litigation.

For this reason, McKesson asks the Court to approve the settlement and supports Class Counsel's application for attorneys' fees and reimbursement of costs, as well as Class Counsel's request for incentive awards for the named plaintiffs in this case.

Respectfully,



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October 3, 2011

Hon. Lawrence F. Stengel
U.S. District Court for the
Eastern District of Pennsylvania
U.S. Courthouse
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Philadelphia, PA 19106-1776

Re: *Wellbutrin SR Antitrust Litig., No. 2:04-cv-5525*

Dear Judge Stengel:

I am Associate General Counsel for McKesson Corporation (“McKesson”) and head of the Litigation Group within the company’s Law Department. I write in support of the pending motions seeking final approval of the proposed settlement and an attorneys’ fee award for Class Counsel in the above-captioned litigation.

McKesson, an absent class member in the current litigation, is one of the three largest pharmaceutical distributors in the country. As a result, it is my understanding that our claim for recovery from the settlement in this case will be one of the three largest claims made.

Class Counsel have, through me and other McKesson counsel, informed McKesson of the facts and circumstances of the case, the legal hurdles and other risks involved in the matter. McKesson is satisfied that the proposed settlement is fair and adequate, and that the proposed attorneys’ fee award of one-third of the settlement amount is appropriate in this case. In addition to the value of the \$49 million settlement achieved on behalf of the class, this award is justified by the time and expense that class counsel put into prosecuting and favorably resolving this complex litigation.

For this reason, McKesson asks the Court to approve the settlement and supports Class Counsel’s application for attorneys’ fees and reimbursement of costs, as well as Class Counsel’s request for incentive awards for the named plaintiffs in this case.

Respectfully,



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Re: *Wellbutrin SR Antitrust Litig., No. 2:04-cv-5525*

Dear Judge Stengel:

I write on behalf of my client, AmerisourceBergen Co. ("AmerisourceBergen"), in support of the pending motions seeking final approval of the proposed settlement and an attorneys' fee award for Class Counsel in the above-captioned litigation.

AmerisourceBergen, an absent class member in the current litigation whose principal place of business is in this judicial district, is one of the three largest pharmaceutical distributors in the country. As a result, it is my understanding that our claim for recovery from the settlement in this case will be one of the three largest claims made.

Class Counsel have, through me and other counsel for the company, informed AmerisourceBergen of the facts and circumstances of the case, the legal hurdles and other risks involved in the matter. AmerisourceBergen is satisfied that the proposed settlement is fair and adequate, and that the proposed attorneys' fee award of one-third of the settlement amount is appropriate in this case. In addition to the value of the \$49 million settlement achieved on behalf of the class, this award is justified by the time and expense that class counsel put into prosecuting and favorably resolving this complex litigation.

For this reason, AmerisourceBergen asks the Court to approve the settlement and supports Class Counsel's application for attorneys' fees and reimbursement of costs, as well as Class Counsel's request for incentive awards for the named plaintiffs in this case.

Respectfully,



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September 27, 2011

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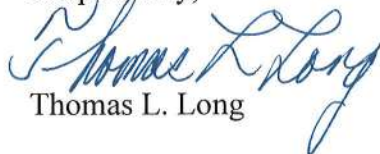
I write on behalf of our client, Cardinal Health, Inc. ("Cardinal Health"), in support of the pending motions seeking final approval of the proposed settlement and an attorneys' fee award for Class Counsel in the above-captioned litigation.

Cardinal Health, an absent class member in the current litigation, is one of the three largest pharmaceutical distributors in the United States. As a result, it is our understanding that Cardinal Health's claim for recovery from the settlement in this case will be one of the three largest claims.

Based on information from Class Counsel, our firm has informed Cardinal Health of the facts and circumstances of the case, the legal hurdles, and other risks involved in the case. Cardinal Health is satisfied the proposed settlement is fair and adequate and the proposed attorneys' fee award of one-third of the settlement amount is appropriate in this case. In addition to the value of the \$49 million settlement achieved on behalf of the class, the attorneys' fee award is justified by the time and expense class counsel incurred in prosecuting and favorably resolving this complex litigation.

For these reasons, Cardinal Health asks the Court to approve the settlement and supports Class Counsel's application for attorneys' fees and reimbursement of costs, as well as Class Counsel's request for incentive awards for the named plaintiffs in this case.

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Re: *In re Wellbutrin XL Antitrust Litigation*, Case No. 2:08-cv-2431
(E.D. Pa.)

Dear Judge McLaughlin:

I write on behalf of our client, Cardinal Health, Inc. (“Cardinal Health”), in support of the pending motion seeking final approval of the proposed settlement and fee award in the above-captioned litigation.

Cardinal Health, an absent class member in the current litigation, is one of the three largest pharmaceutical distributors in the United States. As a result, it is our understanding that Cardinal Health’s claim for recovery from the settlement in this case will be one of the three largest claims.

Based on information from Class counsel, our firm has fully informed Cardinal Health on an ongoing basis of the facts and circumstances of the case, the legal hurdles, and other risks involved in this case. Cardinal Health is satisfied that the proposed settlement is fair and adequate and that the proposed attorneys’ fee award of one-third of the settlement amount is appropriate in this case. In addition to the value of the settlement achieved on behalf of the class, this award is justified by the time and expense Class counsel incurred in prosecuting and favorably resolving part of this complex litigation.

For these reasons, Cardinal Health respectfully asks the Court to approve the settlement and supports class counsel’s application for attorneys’ fees and reimbursement of costs, as well as Class counsel’s request for incentive award for the representative plaintiff in this case.

The Honorable Mary A. McLaughlin
October 22, 2012
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Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Robert J. Tucker". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Robert J. Tucker

cc: Thomas L. Long, Esq. (via electronic mail)

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Re: In re Wellbutrin XL Antitrust Litigation, Case No. 2:08-cv-2431 (E.D. Pa.)

Dear Judge McLaughlin:

I write on behalf of my client, McKesson Corporation ("McKesson"), in support of final approval of the proposed settlement and fee award in the above-captioned litigation.

McKesson is an absent class member in the current litigation and one of the three largest pharmaceutical distributors in the country. As a result, it is my understanding that McKesson's claim to recovery in this case will be one of the largest by any class member.

Class counsel have, through me, fully informed McKesson of the facts and circumstances of the case, and the legal issues and risks involved. McKesson is satisfied that the proposed settlement is fair and adequate, that the proposed attorneys' fees of one-third of the settlement amount is appropriate in this case, and that the proposed service award to the representative plaintiff is appropriate.

McKesson respectfully asks the Court to approve the settlement and supports class counsel's application for attorneys' fees and reimbursement of costs, and a service award to the representative plaintiff.

Respectfully,



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October 10, 2012

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Re: *In re Wellbutrin XL Antitrust Litigation*, Case No. 2:08-cv-2431 (E.D. Pa.)

Dear Judge McLaughlin:

I write on behalf of my client, AmerisourceBergen Corporation (“ABC”), in support of final approval of the proposed settlement and fee award in the above-captioned litigation.

ABC is an absent class member in the current litigation and one of the three largest pharmaceutical distributors in the country. As a result, it is my understanding that our client’s claim to recovery in this case will be one of the largest by any class member.

Class counsel have, through me, fully informed ABC of the facts and circumstances of the case, and the legal issues and risks involved. ABC is satisfied that the proposed settlement is fair and adequate, that the proposed attorneys’ fees of one-third of the settlement amount is appropriate in this case, and that the proposed service award to the representative plaintiff is appropriate.

ABC respectfully asks the Court to approve the settlement and supports class counsel’s application for attorneys’ fees and reimbursement of costs, and a service award to the representative plaintiff.

Respectfully submitted,



Donald W. Myers

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