

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS**

**IN RE: Yasmin and YAZ(Drospirenone)
Marketing, Sales Practices and Products
Liability Litigation**

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) **3:09-md-02100-DRH-SCW**
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) **MDL No. 2100**
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This Document Relates to:

ALL CASES

MINUTES OF STATUS CONFERENCE

PRESIDING: DAVID R. HERNDON, U.S. DISTRICT JUDGE

DATE: November 5, 2015

COURT REPORTER: Laura Esposito

PLACE: East St. Louis, Illinois **COURTROOM DEPUTY:** Caitlin Fischer

APPEARING FOR PLAINTIFFS: Mark R. Neimeyer, Michael Burg, Roger Denton, Michael London

APPEARING FOR DEFENDANTS: Jonathan Galvin, Kaspar Stoffelmayr, Michael Suffern, Michael Weinkowitz

SPECIAL MASTER: Dan Stack, Randi Ellis

TIME: 1:30 PM – 1:40 PM

Court met with lead and liaison counsel prior to the hearing today.

Defendants report on the ATE settlement. They are in the process of enrolling people and currently 89% of eligible claimants are enrolled. The next step is to figure out why people aren't enrolled. The court states that it has received the preliminary claims review. They will be examined carefully and both parties will work on this.

Defendants report that 400+ VTE cases have settled since the last status conference. And an additional 420 cases have been identified and parties will be taking a closer look at them. They are confident that all cases will be resolved. The court encourages all to look and read CMO 79 and 78 closely and understand and follow the deadlines.

As to CMO 78, there are staggered deadlines included in this order. The first deadlines are coming up. Deficiency letters are being sent out and this will be a rolling process. As to CMO 79, a December deadline is approaching. Defendants are hoping to dismiss claims early next year for those who did not comply with the deadlines. Michael Burg reminds plaintiff's counsel that they have an obligation to follow the deadlines because dismissals will happen. The court reiterates that these two CMOs were generated by agreed upon terms by the parties and encourages everyone to become familiar with the terms.

Liens are currently being worked on and are getting close to being resolved. Parties are cooperating to get these resolved.

Next status conference set for **February 16, 2016 at 1:30 PM.**