



IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF KANAWHA COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA

IN RE: OPIOID LITIGATION

CIVIL ACTION NO. 21-C-9000 MFR

THIS DOCUMENT APPLIES TO:

STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA ex rel.  
PATRICK MORRISEY, Attorney General,

Plaintiff,

v.

JANSSEN PHARMACEUTICALS, INC.,  
ORTHO-MCNEIL-JANSSEN  
PHARMACEUTICALS, INC. n/k/a  
JANSSEN PHARMACEUTICALS, INC.,  
JANSSEN PHARMACEUTICA, INC. n/k/a  
JANSSEN PHARMACEUTICALS, INC.,  
AND JOHNSON & JOHNSON,

Defendants.

Civil Action No. 19-C-105 BNE

**ORDER DENYING THE STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA'S  
MOTION TO COMPEL DISCOVERY RESPONSES**

On February 18, 2022, the Discovery Commissioner conducted a telephonic hearing with counsel for the Plaintiff State of West Virginia (the "State") and counsel for Defendants Johnson & Johnson, Janssen Pharmaceuticals, Inc., Ortho-McNeil-Janssen Pharmaceuticals, Inc. n/k/a Janssen Pharmaceuticals, Inc., and Janssen Pharmaceutica, Inc. n/k/a Janssen Pharmaceuticals, Inc. (collectively, "Janssen") regarding the State's Motion to Compel Discovery Responses filed on January 21, 2022 (Transaction ID 67255492).

Having considered the record, submissions of the parties, and the telephonic hearing, **IT IS HEREBY ORDERED** that the State's Motion to Compel Discovery Responses is **DENIED** on the terms set out upon the record.

A copy of this order has this day been electronically served on all counsel of record via File & ServeXpress.

**IT IS SO ORDERED.**

**ENTERED:** February 25, 2022.

/s/ Christopher C. Wilkes  
Discovery Commissioner

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