



**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF KANAWHA COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA**

**IN RE: OPIOID LITIGATION**

**Civil Action No. 21-C-9000 PHARM**

**THIS DOCUMENT APPLIES TO ALL STATE CASES AGAINST PHARMACIES**

**ORDER AFFIRMING DISCOVERY COMMISSIONER'S APRIL 21, 2022, ORDERS**

Pending before the Mass Litigation Panel ("Panel") is the Chain Pharmacy Defendants' Objections (Transaction ID 67517825) to the Discovery Commissioner's April 21, 2022, *Order Regarding Plaintiffs' Motion to Quash Chain Pharmacy Subpoenas and to Create Appropriate Limitations on the Depositions of Doctors* (Transaction ID 67496939) and April 21, 2022, *Order Granting City/County Plaintiffs' Joint Motion to Quash Pharmacy Defendants' Subpoenas* (Transaction ID 67497036) ("April 21, 2022, Orders").

The Panel has considered all pleadings attendant to the April 21, 2022, Orders, including the underlying briefs and the briefs on the present objection. In particular, the Panel has reviewed the April 21, 2022, Orders (Transaction ID 67496939 and 67497036); the Chain Pharmacy Defendants' Objection (Transaction ID 67517825); the City/County Plaintiffs' Response in Opposition to the Chain Pharmacy Defendants' Objection (Transaction ID 67590913); and the State of West Virginia's Response in Opposition to the Chain Pharmacy Defendants' Objection (Transaction ID 67592454). Having reviewed all the briefing, the Panel **AFFIRMS** the Discovery Commissioner's April 21, 2022, Orders for the reasons amply stated in those Orders (Transaction IDs 67496939 and 67497036). The Chain Pharmacy Defendants' objections are noted for 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:** May 9, 2022.

/s/ Alan D. Moats  
Lead Presiding Judge,  
Opioid Litigation

/s/ Derek C. Swope  
Presiding Judge,  
Opioid Litigation