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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF KANAWHA COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA

IN RE: OPIOID LITIGATION Civil Action No. 21-C-9000 PHARM

THIS DOCUMENT APPLIES TO:

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

Plaintiff,

v. Civil Action No. 20-C-132 PNM

WALMART, INC. f/k/a Wal-Mart Stores, Inc.

Defendant.

ORDER STAYING PROCEEDINGS AGAINST WALMART

WHEREAS, the Court has been informed by Plaintiff State of West Virginia and Defendant Walmart, Inc. f/k/a Wal-Mart Stores, Inc. ("Walmart") (collectively, "the Parties"), that the Parties have reached an agreement in principle to resolve this litigation as it relates to Walmart;

WHEREAS, in light of this agreement in principle, the Parties have respectfully requested that all proceedings in this litigation be stayed with respect to Walmart, including but not limited to all discovery taken by or against Walmart, in order to permit the Parties to finalize settlement, including completion and execution of a formal written settlement agreement; and

WHEREAS, a stay of all proceedings in this case as to Walmart will conserve the Court's and the Parties' resources during the period of time necessary to finalize the settlement, will not adversely affect this action, and will not prejudice any of the Parties;

THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED that all proceedings in this case are stayed with respect to Walmart only, including but not limited to all discovery taken by or against Walmart, so that

the Parties may finalize settlement including completion and execution of their settlement agreement.

A copy of this Order has this day been electronically served on all counsel of record via File & Serve*Xpress*.

It is so **ORDERED**.

ENTERED: September 14, 2022.

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