Case 1:07-cv-02867-NLH-AMD

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF NEW JERSEY

| IN RE PET FOODS PRODUCTS LIABILITY LITIGATION |))) | MDL Docket No. 1850 (All Cases) Master Docket: 07 CV 2867 (NLH)(AMD) |
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[PROPOSED] ORDER FOR APPOINTMENT OF PLAINTIFFS' CO-LEAD COUNSEL

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED for all actions in MDL No. 1850:

I. LEADERSHIP ORGANIZATION OF PLAINTIFFS' COUNSEL

- A. The organizational structure regarding co-lead plaintiffs' counsel established by this Order shall be applicable to MDL No. 1850;
- B. The following attorneys shall serve as co-lead plaintiffs' counsel (hereinafter "Co-Lead Counsel"): William M. Audet, Esq., Scott A. Kamber, Esq., and Jay Edelson, Esq.;
- C. Consistent with the *Manual of Complex Litigation* (4th), as Co-Lead Counsel, William M. Audet, Esq., Scott A. Kamber, Esq., and Jay Edelson, Esq. shall have the following responsibilities and duties:
 - To brief and argue motions, either personally or through counsel whom they designate;
 - 2. To decide strategy;

- 3. To receive monthly time reports from plaintiffs' counsel, set assessments, and allocate fees;
- 4. To initiate, conduct, and respond to discovery and discovery motions;
- 5. To act as the spokesperson at conferences; and
- 6. To negotiate with defense counsel with respect to settlement and discovery-related issues.
- D. Co-Lead Counsel shall make all work assignments in such a manner as to conduct this litigation in an orderly and efficient manner and to avoid unnecessary duplication by plaintiffs counsel.

Noel L. Hillman, USDJ