DISTRICT COURT OF APPEAL OF THE STATE OF FLORIDA FOURTH DISTRICT July Term 2012

JASON BUDNICK, as Personal Representative of the ESTATE OF LEONARD BUDNICK, Appellant,

v.

R.J. REYNOLDS TOBACCO COMPANY, Appellee.

No. 4D10-4064

[December 5, 2012]

POLEN, J.

We affirm the final judgment because we find that the appellant's general objection to bifurcation was not sufficient to preserve the perceived error that certain evidence should be allowed into evidence during Phase I of the proceedings. See Noel v. Broward Gen. Med. Ctr., 725 So. 2d 438 (Fla. 4th DCA 1999); Corona v. State, 64 So. 3d 1232 (Fla. 2011); Steinhorst v. State, 412 So. 2d 332 (Fla. 1982); Rodriguez v. State, 609 So. 2d 493 (Fla. 1992).

Affirmed.

STEVENSON, J., and BONAVITA, AUGUST, Associate Judge, concur.

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Appeal from the Circuit Court for the Fifteenth Judicial Circuit, Palm Beach County; Jeffrey E. Streitfeld, Judge; L.T. Case Nos. 07-36734 CV 19 and 08-80000 19.

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Not final until disposition of timely filed motion for rehearing.