# UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

MARY K. JONES, Individually and on Behalf: Civil Action No. 1:10-cv-03864-AKH of All Others Similarly Situated,

Plaintiff

**CLASS ACTION** 

VS.

DECLARATION OF TRIG R. SMITH IN FURTHER SUPPORT OF PLAINTIFFS' MOTION IN LIMINE TO EXCLUDE DEFENDANTS' CUMULATIVE EXPERT

PFIZER INC., et al.,

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Defendants.

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7	vs.
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18	Ithaca, New York, commencing at 9:08 a.m.,
19	concluding at 4:48 p.m.
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     total amount of off-label marketing and I see
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    absolutely no evidence that that's true.
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          So you just dispute the proxy that she's
    using?
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    MR. PETROSINELLI: Object to the
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    form.
         Well, fundamentally, if she's using data
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     from IMS that's using marketing expenditures and
    doesn't tell her anything about the content of
9
     that marketing, I don't see how she is going to
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11
    arrive at any kind of idea about how much
12
     off-label marketing has occurred.
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          I quess are you aware of any
    peer-reviewed journal articles that would dispute
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    Professor Rosenthal's creation of this proxy
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    based on detailing dollars to the specialties she
    classified as being off label?
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          I don't, as far as I'm aware there hasn't
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    been a published study which has looked at the
     impact of alleged off-label sales on sales and
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    has used a method like this, I don't think there
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    has been a chance for somebody to either advocate
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     that it's -- there hasn't been a chance in the
24
    peer-reviewed literature for somebody to advocate
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     that this is a reasonable approach nor a reason
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1 for someone to say this is not a reasonable 2 approach. 3 And do you know if this methodology has been accepted before in other litigations? 4 5 I don't know for sure, no. 6 Do you have any experience in researching diagnosis codes such as ICD-9 codes? 8 For some of my research I do use those, 9 the ICD-9 codes, yes. And you looked at the ICD-9 codes in this 10 11 case that Professor Rosenthal along with 12 assistance from Dr. Finkelstein characterized as either on label or off label; is that correct? 13 Yes, that's correct. 14 15 Okay. And with respect to the ICD-9 16 codes, did you observe that there was specific 17 ICD-9 codes that related to the indications that 18 would be considered on label for the drugs at 19 issue? Well, what I did in my report in large 20 21 part because Dr. Rosenthal did not mention in her 22 report that she received any clinical input, is I 23 was pointing out that if I were to take her 24 allegation of, or assertion that orthopedic 25 surgeons would typically treat acute pain

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    following surgery, I said well as a non
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    clinician, as an economist, if I were to look at
    those ICD-9 codes, I wouldn't have a lot of
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    confidence to know if that's the only reason why
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    orthopedic surgeons were prescribing Bextra.
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         And did you consult with any experts in
    diagnosis codes as to whether or not the codes
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    that Professor Rosenthal identified as on label
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    or off label were inappropriate?
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    MR. PETROSINELLI: Object to the
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    form.
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         No, but that was essentially my point.
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    My point is if she's not getting clinical input,
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    if she has a PhD in economics like I do, then
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    presumably she's at the same disadvantage, she's
16
    facing the same disadvantage that I am. I don't
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    know as a non clinician which of those ICD-9
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    codes would be for acute pain following surgery
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    and which ones would not be.
         And you now understand that she did rely
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    on assistance with someone with a medical
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    background, does that change your report in any
23
    way?
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         Well, there is absolutely no reason to
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    change my report if she's revealing something
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