

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ALABAMA
SOUTHERN DIVISION**

IN RE: CHANTIX (VARENICLINE)
PRODUCTS LIABILITY
LITIGATION

Master File No.: 2:09-CV-2039-IPJ
MDL No. 2092

This Document Relates To:

ALL CASES

ORDER REGARDING MEDIATION

Lead Counsel for the parties have informed the Court that a substantial majority of the cases in this MDL have been resolved. The Court therefore orders as follows:

1. Counsel for all plaintiffs whose cases have not been resolved, and are not subject to an agreement in principle to resolve, are directed to meet and confer with counsel for Pfizer on or before April 1, 2013 to have good faith discussions about the possibility of settlement.
2. Lead Counsel for the parties are directed to report to the Court on April 2, 2013 as to which cases remaining in the MDL, if any, have not been resolved or dismissed.
3. All cases that have not been resolved or dismissed by April 2, 2013 will be set for mediation at the federal courthouse in Florence, Alabama between April 10 and April 12, 2013. The mediator will be Fern Singer, Esq. By April 3, 2013, the mediator will notify counsel for the parties subject to mediation the specific

date and time between April 10 and April 12 on which they are required to appear in Florence for the mediation.

4. All plaintiffs' counsel whose have cases set for mediation shall be appear in Florence, Alabama, at the designated times in person. Plaintiffs' counsel shall have their respective clients available at said dates and times by telephone. Defendant shall have counsel present at said dates and times in Florence, Alabama, with full settlement authority. The parties in each mediation shall split equally the fees and expenses of the mediator.

DONE and **ORDERED** this 12th day of March, 2013.



INGE PRYTZ JOHNSON
SENIOR U.S. DISTRICT JUDGE