

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
EASTERN DISTRICT OF LOUISIANA

IN RE: VIOXX : MDL NO. 1657  
PRODUCTS LIABILITY LITIGATION : SECTION: L  
..... : JUDGE FALLON  
: MAG. JUDGE KNOWLES  
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**THIS DOCUMENT RELATES TO ALL CASES**

**PRETRIAL ORDER #12**  
**(Reserving Weeks for Depositions)**

The Court has discussed with Liaison Counsel the efficacy of reserving certain weeks of each month for the taking of depositions in the above captioned matter. Liaison Counsel have agreed to reserve the first and third weeks of every month for depositions. Accordingly, IT IS ORDERED that the first and third weeks of every month are reserved for the taking of depositions in the above captioned matter. Counsel shall coordinate which witnesses will be deposed on the specific dates within those reserved weeks.

NEW ORLEANS, this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of May, 2005.

/s/ Eldon E. Fallon  
ELDON E. FALLON  
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE