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**IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF CLEVELAND COUNTY
STATE OF OKLAHOMA**

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STATE OF OKLAHOMA, ex rel.,)
MIKE HUNTER,)
ATTORNEY GENERAL OF OKLAHOMA,)
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Plaintiff,)
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vs.)
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PURDUE PHARMA L.P., et al,)
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Defendants.)

In the office of the
Court Clerk MARILYN WILLIAMS

Case No. CJ-2017-816

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PURSUANT TO
PROTECTIVE ORDER
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**SUPPLEMENT TO DEFENDANTS' EMERGENCY MOTION TO COMPEL AND FOR
EXTENSION OF TIME FOR DEFENDANTS' EXPERT DISCLOSURES**

Defendants respectfully submit this Supplement to their Emergency Motion to Compel and for Extension of Time, filed on January 7, 2019, in order to notify the Court of relevant information just learned by Defendants. Specifically, Defendants have just come to learn that since as early as May 2018, the State has been collecting hundreds of thousands of pages of patient medical records, which are well within the parameters of the general fact discovery served by Defendants *and* on which the State's experts rely. But the State did not begin to share these records until December 28, 2018. At that time, the state dumped 325,000 pages on Defendants, in undifferentiated form, without any way for Defendants to timely review – let alone analyze – the vast trove of relevant information on which the State is staking its claims.

It is clear from the State's expert disclosures that Dr. Jason Beaman is one of the State's key experts. Dr. Beaman purports to review a sample of SoonerCare opioid patient medical records in order to determine which prescriptions are "medically unnecessary":

Dr. Beaman is expected to testify that he reviewed a total of 1,612 individual records composing of 38,498 unique opioid prescriptions. Dr. Beaman is further expected to testify that upon review of these medical records and applying the methodology described below, Dr. Beaman concluded that 8,059 opioid prescriptions out of the 1,612 individual records composing of 38,498 unique prescriptions reviewed were medically unnecessary.

Other of the State's experts, in turn, use and rely on Dr. Beaman's analysis to compute the State's request for damages, rendering Dr. Beaman's analysis a core component of the State's case.

In order to test the validity of Dr. Beaman's analysis and opinions and to prepare their own expert disclosures, Defendants need and are entitled to a meaningful opportunity to review and analyze, among other things, the underlying medical records that Dr. Beaman relied on. But through its refusal and failure to timely produce these materials (including the State's medical claims database that houses medical information directly related to the prescriptions Dr. Beaman

now puts at issue) and other documents as part of basic fact discovery, the State has effectively deprived Defendants of that opportunity, raising serious due process concerns.

The State's opposition seeks to misdirect the Court's attention to avoid the salient point. There are many pages of records that should have been produced months ago, as part of basic fact discovery. While the State and its experts have been analyzing these underlying factual materials for many months, the State wants Defendants and their experts to do it in just a matter of a few weeks. Defendants are being sandbagged by design.

We now know that the State issued litigation requests for and began receiving copies of the underlying factual records, which total over 325,000 pages, for purposes of this litigation, as early as *May 2018*. For example, [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] There can be no serious question that such documents are discoverable. The State should have – but failed to – produce these documents and others to Defendants on a rolling basis as part of general fact discovery.

Instead, the State decided to wait until December 28, 2018, to begin dumping an undifferentiated mass of raw documents on Defendants, including documents produced as “OKAGSS_001-OKAGSS_005.” These belated productions consist of more than 325,000 pages containing decades of patient medical information, much of which is handwritten and thus difficult to read, let alone synthesize into any usable format. While Defendants are reviewing these documents, their various experts need to time to analyze these dilatory productions (in a

usable format) – and the additional expert-related documents that the State continues to produce.¹

Finally, the State has failed to produce any worksheet, other document, or other information that identifies *which* opioid prescriptions were (according to Dr. Beaman) medically unnecessary. All Defendants have been told is that he believes “8,059 opioid prescriptions” out of “38,498 unique prescriptions” were “medically unnecessary.” But they have not been told *which* “8,059 opioid prescriptions” the State is putting at issue. Without having those 8,059 prescriptions identified as part of the State’s expert interrogatory responses, there is no way to audit Dr. Beaman’s work. Zero. The State is hiding the ball on a core issue in this case. That is neither fair nor the way the discovery system is designed to work.

Throughout general fact discovery, the State skirted its discovery obligations on the grand promise that its expert disclosures would cure its deficiencies. But we now know that promise rings hollow. Not only do the State’s expert disclosures and recent productions uncover greater deficiencies, but they also raise more questions than they answer. The result is that Defendants have been deprived of their due process right to a meaningful opportunity to mount a defense.

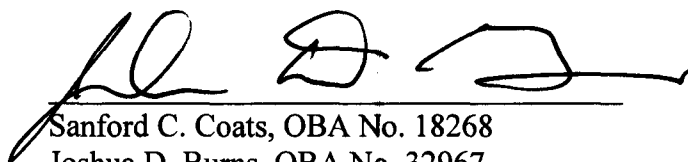
Accordingly, among other things, Defendants respectfully request the Court to compel the State to produce Dr. Beaman’s worksheets or other documents that specify *which* “8,059 opioid prescriptions” out of “38,498 unique prescriptions” were (according to him) “medically unnecessary.” Defendants cannot be expected to “Go Fish.” Defendants further request that the medical records (OKAGSS_001-OKAGSS_005) be produced in the same format in which Dr. Beaman and the State’s other experts had access. For example, if the medical records were loaded into a sortable and searchable database, the State should be required to produce the

¹ The State has continued to produce expert-related documents as recently as January 11, 2019.

records in that format to Defendants so that Defendants have the same functionality. Defendants also reiterate their request that Defendants' expert disclosure deadline be extended for at least 60 days from the Court's certification that the State's production is complete so that Defendants and their experts can properly analyze the hundreds of thousands of underlying factual records that the State has withheld from production for many months.

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