

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF OHIO

IN RE:)	MDL Docket No. 1953
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HEPARIN PRODUCTS)	JUDGE JAMES G. CARR
LIABILITY LITIGATION)	CASE NO. 1:08-60000
)	
)	ALL CASES

PRETRIAL ORDER #22

(Alternative Procedures for Small Estate Settlements)

The Plaintiffs' Executive Committee ("PEC") has filed a Motion to Establish Alternative Procedures for Small Estate Settlements, which the Baxter and SPL Defendants do not oppose. After careful consideration of the Motion, the Court has determined that the proposed procedures will facilitate the release of settlement funds through a simple, uniform, and cost-effective Small Estate Procedure (the "SEP") for claims submitted on behalf of deceased claimants. This Order, therefore, is issued pursuant to the Court's authority to direct and control the pretrial proceedings in this litigation pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §1407 and Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 16.

It is hereby **ORDERED** that the motion is **GRANTED** as follows:

1. *Claimants affected by this order.* This Order applies to all claims where the claimant is deceased and where, for claimants who died testate or intestate, the gross settlement amount does not exceed \$45,000.
2. *Payment Procedures.* The SEP attached as Exhibit D to the Motion will govern the payments to the affected claimants.
3. *Confidentiality Not Affected by this Order.* Any confidentiality provisions set forth in the applicable Settlement Agreement shall remain in full force and effect.

It is so **ORDERED**.

Date: 7/19/2012

s/ James G. Carr

Judge James G. Carr
United States District Court