CASE NO. 3:19-CV-02573-EMC / RELATED CASE NO. 3:20-CV-06961-EMC

- 1. I am an attorney duly licensed to practice in the States of Arkansas, Florida, Illinois, New York, Tennessee, and Texas. I am the managing partner of Roberts Law Firm US, PC ("RLF"), and am Court-appointed as Co-Lead Class Counsel for the Direct Purchaser Plaintiff ("DPP") Classes ("Classes"). RLF's firm resume is attached as Exhibit 1. I have personal knowledge of the information set forth in this declaration and, if called upon, I could and would competently testify thereto.
- I respectfully submit this declaration in support of Direct Purchaser Class
   Plaintiffs' Motion for Final Approval of Class Action Settlement with Gilead and Attorneys'
   Fees, Costs and Expenses, and Service Award.

# I. INTRODUCTION AND SUMMARY OF WORK PERFORMED

- 3. After four years of complex case work and hard-fought litigation, DPPs reached a Settlement with Gilead providing for Gilead's payment of \$246,750,000 to resolve Direct Purchaser Class Members' claims against it. After weeks of exhaustive negotiations assisted by Kenneth Feinberg, the Settlement was reached just hours before opening statements were to be given in the jury trial. The Settlement is a tremendous result for the Settlement Class and readily exceeds the requisite final approval standard of fair, adequate, and reasonable.
- 4. The Settlement is attributable to the judgment and skill of DPP Counsel¹ and the tremendous resources, in terms of both time and money, that DPP Counsel devoted to advancing DPP Class Members' claims. The litigation was novel because, among other factors, the pay-for-delay theory advanced was based solely on acceleration clauses in an agreement between Gilead (a brand manufacturer) and Teva (a generic manufacturer), and Teva (but not Gilead) waived attorney-client privilege as to settlement communications regarding the agreement at issue. It was also extremely complex to prosecute because DPPs were required to coordinate with four other plaintiff groups advancing similar (but not overlapping) claims; indeed, DPPs' claims were based in federal law, while three of the four other plaintiff groups' claims were based in state law.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> "DPP Counsel" refers to all counsel representing DPPs in this litigation.

To reach this result, DPP Counsel engaged in exhaustive discovery (including

representing the DPP Classes in 90 depositions and reviewing millions of pages of documents);

briefed scores of motions; coordinated with 13 experts; participated in dozens of hearings, case

management conferences, and meet-and-confer conferences with counsel for Defendants and for

third parties; defended a petition for leave to appeal to the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals; and

prepared extensively for trial, including holding two DPP-only focus group sessions in the Bay

an all-plaintiffs' mock trial in the Bay Area. DPP Counsel's efforts throughout the litigation

Area, a two-day in-person DPP-only mock jury trial in the Bay Area, and actively participating in

produced successful results for the DPP Classes: DPPs prevailed in defeating a motion to dismiss

Gilead's petition for appellate review of that decision, defeating Defendants' motion for summary

and a motion to compel arbitration, having two direct purchaser classes certified and defeating

judgment on Plaintiffs' reverse payment claims (working alongside other plaintiff groups), and

negotiating a settlement in which Gilead paid \$246,750,000 for the benefit of the Classes.

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- 6. DPP Counsel report having expended 39,091 hours working on the litigation for a collective lodestar of \$34,281,869 calculated at current rates.<sup>2</sup> DPP Counsel also report having incurred unreimbursed costs and expenses of \$2,887,478.45 in furtherance of the litigation.<sup>3</sup>
- 7. The following describes the background of the litigation, including its procedural history, motion practice, settlement negotiations, and other activities. This declaration further supports that the Settlement should be finally approved and that the requested award of attorneys' fees, costs, and expenses is reasonable and justified.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> The 39,091 hours Class Counsel refer to herein excludes the 520 hours DPP Counsel collectively spent between inception and October 31, 2023 on this filing, BMS Settlement administration, and time from attorneys with less than \$20,000 in lodestar on the case.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> The exhibits attached to this declaration are as follows. Attached as Exhibit 1 is the RLF Firm Resume. Attached as Exhibit 2 is RLF's categorized time. Attached as Exhibit 3 is the Decl. of Dianne M. Nast. Attached as Exhibit 4 is the Decl. of Michael D. Hausfeld. Attached as Exhibit 5 is the Decl. of Francis O. Scarpulla. Attached as Exhibit 6 is the Decl. of Carla Peak. Attached as Exhibit 7 is the Decl. of Brian T. Fitzpatrick.

# II. OVERVIEW OF THE LITIGATION

- A. Factual Investigation, Complaints, Motions to Dismiss, and Motions to Compel Arbitration and Alternative Dispute Resolution
- 8. KPH began investigating a potential claim on behalf of itself and DPPs in June 2019. DPP counsel researched the underlying facts and investigated the allegations supporting antitrust claims and potential damages for KPH and the Classes. KPH investigated its purchases of the drugs at issue. Following DPP Counsel's careful analysis of the evidence and law in support of direct purchaser claims, on February 5, 2020, KPH filed its initial complaint against Gilead Sciences, Inc.; Gilead Holdings, LLC; Gilead Sciences, LLC; and Gilead Sciences Ireland UC (collectively, "Gilead"); Bristol-Myers Squibb Company, E.R.; Squibb & Sons, LLC (collectively, "BMS"); Janssen R&D Ireland; and Johnson & Johnson (collectively, "Janssen"); and Japan Tobacco. Complaint, Case No. 3:20-cv-00880, ECF No. 1.
- 9. On May 8, 2020, the Court entered an Order appointing Dianne Nast and me as Interim Co-Lead Counsel for the putative Direct Purchaser Classes, and appointing Francis Scarpulla as Interim Liaison Counsel for the putative Direct Purchaser Classes. Order Appointing Interim Co-Lead Counsel, Case No. 3:20-cv-00880, ECF No. 48.
- 10. On June 5, 2020, Defendants moved to dismiss KPH's initial complaint and to compel KPH to arbitrate its claims against them. *See* Gilead's Motion to Dismiss, ECF No. 358; Janssen's Motion to Dismiss and Janssen and Gilead's Motion to Compel Arbitration, ECF No. 359. Defendants' motions invoked settlement negotiation clauses in the McKesson-Gilead Authorized Distributor of Record Agreement and the McKesson-BMS Distribution Services Agreement. KPH's Notice of Voluntary Dismissal, ECF No. 369. Although DPPs maintained the provisions did not apply, on June 23, 2020, KPH agreed to dismiss the case and engage in settlement negotiations to avoid protracted litigation that would almost certainly involve litigation of those clauses. *Id.* ¶ 5.
- 11. KPH, along with its assignor, McKesson Corporation, proceeded to mediate in good faith with Gilead and BMS to satisfy the alleged pre-suit mediation requirements in the distribution service agreements between McKesson and Gilead, and between McKesson and

- BMS. *See* Complaint, Case No. 3:20-cv-06951 (N.D. Cal. Oct. 26, 2020), ECF No. 1 ¶ 47. Consistent with the alleged requirements, KPH then waited at least 90 days after its initial attempt to mediate before filing its next complaint. *Id.* ¶ 48.
- 12. The initial mediation was unsuccessful and on October 6, 2020, KPH filed a new class action complaint against Gilead and BMS. *See* Case No. 3:20-cv-06961 (N.D. Cal. Oct. 6, 2020), ECF No. 1.
- 13. Before KPH filed its complaint, another direct purchaser, FWK Holdings LLC, filed its complaint on September 29, 2020, against Gilead and BMS. *See* Case No. 3:20-cv-06793 (N.D. Cal. Sept 29, 2020), ECF No. 1. The case was related to the EPPs' case, *Staley v. Gilead Sciences, Inc.*, Case No. 3:19-cv-02573 (N.D. Cal.) (now known as *In re HIV Antitrust Litig.*) ("*Staley*") and was transferred to the Honorable Edward M. Chen. ECF No. 432.
- 14. On November 23, 2020, the Court entered an Order (again) appointing Dianne Nast and me as Interim Co-Lead Counsel for the putative Direct Purchaser Classes, and appointing Francis Scarpulla as Interim Liaison Counsel for the putative Direct Purchaser Classes. ECF No. 454.
- 15. In response to FWK and KPH's complaints, Gilead and BMS filed a motion to compel arbitration, a motion to dismiss, and a motion for costs and for a stay of proceedings pursuant to Fed. R. Civ. P. 41(d) on November 25, 2020. ECF Nos. 460, 461, and 463.
- 16. FWK and KPH fully briefed joint oppositions to each motion, addressing issues of applicable state law, standing, and damages, among others. ECF Nos. 490, 491, and 492. Following Gilead's and BMS's replies in response to DPPs' oppositions, ECF Nos. 504, 505, and 506, the Court heard argument from the parties on the motions to compel arbitration and to dismiss on February 11, 2021, ECF No. 543. The Court denied Gilead's and BMS's motion for costs and for a stay without oral argument. ECF No. 509.
- 17. On March 8, 2021, the Court entered an Order denying Gilead's and BMS's motion to compel arbitration and denying their motion to dismiss in substantial part while granting KPH leave to file an amended complaint. ECF No. 558 (public version). Following entry

of the Order, FWK Holdings LLC voluntarily dismissed its action without prejudice. ECF No. 560.

18. In accordance with the Court's motion to dismiss Order, on March 15, 2021, KPH filed DPPs' First Amended Class Action Complaint. ECF No. 559 & n.1. Gilead and BMS answered the First Amended Complaint on April 19, 2021. ECF Nos. 567, 568.

# B. Case Management

- 19. Throughout the litigation, DPP Counsel fought for the Classes' interests with regard to case administration, seeking to resolve DPPs' claims as quickly and as efficiently as possible while litigating the case fiercely and thoroughly. DPP Counsel were also agile as the schedule changed multiple times throughout the litigation, including the trial date being pushed to May 2023 just months before it was due to begin. *See* Minute Entry, ECF No. 1604.
- 20. After both KPH's February 2020 and its October 2020 complaints were filed, the case was related to the *Staley* case and transferred to the Honorable Edward M. Chen. Orders Relating Case, ECF Nos. 269 and 437. With an eye toward efficiency, in each instance, KPH agreed that the case should be coordinated with *Staley* for purposes of pre-trial, discovery, and trial (in each case), and on April 27, 2020, KPH agreed to be bound by the Protective Order, Privilege Order, and Order Regarding Non-Disclosure of Certain Information Regarding Expert Witnesses. ECF No. 306, 453.
- 21. After filing its complaint in October 2020, KPH and FWK's motion for entry of prior orders as to the master docket and the ESI Protocol was granted, binding DPPs under those orders. *Id.* DPPs also stipulated to be bound by the protective order entered in the *Staley* case, and shortly thereafter the supplemental protective order. ECF Nos. 455, 484, 584.
- 22. On May 7, 2021, the Court approved the parties' agreement that DPPs would be bound by the Stipulated Privilege Order and Stipulation and Order Regarding Non-Disclosure of Certain Information Regarding Expert Witnesses previously entered in the *Staley* case. ECF No. 584.
- 23. DPP Counsel participated in every status conference before the Court and the drafting of joint status conference statements preceding each status conference—including the

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meet-and-confers and exchanges of drafts preceding such statements regarding the case status, schedule, and other case management matters—with all parties and occasionally with non-parties as well, regularly concluding negotiations just before filing at midnight.

24. Additionally, in accordance with the local rules and the stipulated protective orders, DPP Counsel made significant efforts to ensure that information marked confidential was protected through the litigation, which involved countless meet-and-confers with parties and nonparties, including absent class members, and extensive briefing. See, e.g., Order Directing Parties to Narrow Sealing Motions, ECF No. 502; Unopposed Administrative Motion for Extension Regarding Deadline on Sealing, ECF No. 514; Amended Administrative Motion to File Under Seal, ECF No. 548.

# C. Coordination with other Plaintiff Groups

25. In a complex antitrust class action such as this matter, coordination among the various plaintiff groups is critical. Even before filing their initial complaint, DPP Counsel reached out to EPPs' lead counsel to ensure the two groups' claims and theories of damages were not inconsistent with one another. As the case progressed, DPP Counsel coordinated with EPPs (and later Retailers, United, and IHPPs) regarding discovery, shared experts, motion practice, and pretrial preparation. The coordination took place via multiple mediums, including weekly coordination calls among all plaintiff groups; participation on various subject matter teams (economics, causation, agreements, patents, etc.); investigating, retaining, and coordinating with shared experts, vendors, and other consultants; collaborating on task-specific assignments, such as deposition preparation and shared motion practice; and collaborating on various other pretrial tasks (jury instructions, verdict form, exhibit list, deposition designation, witness outlines, etc.).

# D. DPPs' Offensive Discovery Efforts

26. DPPs devoted significant resources to offensive discovery in the litigation. These efforts included the service of written discovery, review and analysis of millions of pages of documents produced by Defendants, third parties, and other plaintiff groups, and substantial, hard-fought third-party discovery.

- 27. Shortly after filing its initial complaint, KPH served its initial disclosures, assignment, and first set of requests for production and interrogatories on Defendants. At approximately the same time, pursuant to the agreement negotiated by DPP Counsel, Gilead and BMS produced to DPPs all documents previously produced in response to the Plaintiffs' discovery requests in the *Staley* case. *See* Stipulated Order on Coordination, ECF No. 306. DPP Counsel successfully fought Defendants' attempts to keep KPH from conducting its own discovery, ensuring DPPs could serve and pursue their own discovery requests. *See* Joint Status Report, ECF No. 311 at 13; Joint Case Management Statement, ECF No. 341 at 7-8. On June 4, 2020, KPH agreed to be bound by the ESI Protocol in *Staley* but reserved its right to object to the portion concerning the preservation of call logs. *See* Stipulation and Order on ESI Protocol in *KPH* Action, ECF No. 357.
- 28. DPPs' discovery efforts picked up again after KPH filed its Complaint on October 6, 2020. KPH sought to coordinate discovery in the most efficient manner possible on behalf of the Classes, and stipulated and agreed to a deposition protocol that envisioned a shared, unified approach by the *Staley* and *KPH* plaintiffs to Defendant and third-party depositions. *See* ECF No. 571. KPH further sought to minimize any delay to the case schedule as proposed by the *Staley* plaintiffs, while ensuring it had sufficient time to prepare for class certification and the close of discovery. ECF No. 592.
- 29. As of Spring 2021, when Defendants Answered DPPs' Amended Complaint, millions of pages of documents had already been produced by Defendants and third parties in response to discovery requests served by EPPs. With depositions scheduled beginning in late May, DPP Counsel began the process of reviewing and analyzing these documents, oftentimes working alongside EPPs to prepare whitepapers and prepare for depositions. In conjunction with that review, and again with an eye toward efficiency, DPPs focused their discovery requests on what else was needed from Defendants and/or third parties to advance their claims. On April 30, 2021, DPPs noticed two additional topics for Gilead's 30(b)(6) deposition.
- 30. The DPPs also drafted and served document and deposition subpoenas on 13 third-party generic manufacturers in late July 2021 and negotiated productions of documents,

depositions, and declarations from those third-party generic manufacturers by the close of fact discovery (with one deposition agreed to occur in January 2022 after fact discovery had closed). DPPs successfully negotiated these document productions, depositions, and declarations without court intervention, often over stout opposition from the third-party generic manufacturers, and in coordination with the EPPs, who had already served their own subpoenas on the third parties. These negotiations involved countless meet-and-confer calls, letters, and emails between DPP Counsel and counsel for generic manufacturers, in addition to the communication DPPs undertook with EPPs to efficiently and cooperatively coordinate discovery efforts. Ultimately, DPPs successfully obtained thousands of documents and several depositions and declarations from these third parties that benefitted all plaintiff groups.

- 31. In addition, DPPs served document and deposition subpoenas on former Defendant employees, such as Scott McAllister of Gilead, as well as on agreement negotiators and board members, such as David Hashmall, Nicholas Cannella, John Cogan, and Richard Whitley, in the summer and fall of 2021. When negotiations as to the deposition subpoena directed to Gilead board member Richard Whitley reached an impasse, DPPs spearheaded the motion to compel and motion to transfer in the Northern District of Alabama.
- 32. DPPs also served document and deposition subpoenas on numerous PBMs, marketing firms, and other consulting firms that DPPs believed possessed information relevant to their claims. DPPs successfully obtained document productions, depositions, and declarations in response to these subpoenas.
- 33. On September 29, 2021, DPPs served requests for production and interrogatories on Gilead and BMS. DPPs served Amended Initial Disclosures on December 17, 2021. DPPs also communicated with Defendants and third-party generic manufacturers to ensure they produced updated transactional data.
- 34. When the Retailers, United, and IHPPs dove into discovery efforts—largely in the first half of 2022—DPPs worked tirelessly to protect the Classes' interests to discovery from the new Defendant in the Retailer, United, and IHPP cases (Teva), and to work efficiently and cooperatively with these plaintiff groups, as DPPs had done and continued to do with the EPPs.

This included drafting and commenting on drafts of document requests and deposition topics,

representing the DPP Classes in countless strategy meetings, participating in meet-and-confer

calls and correspondence with Teva, and representing the DPP Classes in depositions regarding

# E. DPPs' Defensive Discovery

potentially relevant issues.

- 35. KPH and its counsel participated in extensive defensive discovery in this case. KPH responded to written discovery requests, engaged in substantial document production, and provided a 30(b)(6) deposition. During fact discovery, KPH's counsel met and conferred on multiple occasions and exchanged correspondence with defense counsel regarding KPH's responses to interrogatories, document production and the topics noticed for KPH's 30(b)(6) deposition.
- 36. With respect to written discovery, KPH provided responses for defendants' interrogatories and followed up promptly with supplemental responses for some interrogatories.
- 37. For KPH's document productions, KPH's counsel negotiated custodians and search terms with defense counsel. KPH was diligent in responding to defendants' document requests by searching for and collecting responsive documents and transactional data for review and production. In total, KPH made seven productions with 11,156 documents and 26,349 pages produced. Through counsel, KPH also served its assignor with a Rule 45 subpoena to obtain additional transactional data for production in October of 2021; KPH negotiated a supplement of that transactional data in August of 2022.

# F. Fact Depositions

38. DPPs devoted extensive resources to fact depositions in this litigation. As summarized in the chart below, DPP Counsel participated in 46 offensive fact witness depositions. Virtually all these depositions occurred in a compressed time frame during the summer and fall of 2021. A list of these depositions follows:

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Name	Company/Position <sup>4</sup>	Date
Li, Jing	Gilead Associate Director, Commercial Strategy*	5/26/2021
Chopskie, Greg	Gilead Associate General Counsel*	6/24/2021
	Gilead Vice President and Head of Global	
Shantharam, Harish	Commercial Finance	6/30/2021
	Gilead, Director, Commercial Planning and	
Okada, Sheldon	Operations*	7/23/2021
Choi, Jung	Gilead Head of Corporate Development*	7/28/2021
	Gilead Vice President,	
Koomey, Melissa	Head Global Commercial Operations	8/10/2021
Hilton, John	Gilead Senior Director, US Sales and Advocacy*	8/12/2021
O'Connell, Sean	Gilead Senior Director, Corporate Development*	8/18/2021
Bhatt, Elizabeth	Gilead Vice President, Corporate Development*	8/19/2021
	Gilead Vice President, U.S. Market Access,	
Stout, Coy	Strategy and Account Management*	9/8/2021
Young, Kevin	Gilead Chief Operating Officer*	9/15/2021
Moxham, Cary	Gilead Senior Director, Alliance Management*	9/16/2021
Cotton, Geoff	Gilead Vice President, Commercial Planning*	10/6/2021
Steele, Joe	Gilead Vice President, Commercial Operations*	10/7/2021
Kearney, Brian	Gilead Vice President, Clinical Research*	10/8/2021
Gibbs, Craig	Gilead Vice President, Commercial Strategy*	10/12/2021
Alen, Philippe	Janssen Senior Director, Business Development*	10/12/2021
Hashmall, David	Teva Outside Counsel	10/19/2021
Cannella, Nick	Gilead Outside Counsel	10/20/2021
Bischofberger,	Gilead Executive Vice President,	
Norbert	R&D and Chief Scientific Officer*	10/26/2021
Lee, William	Gilead Executive Vice President, Research*	11/9/2021
	Johnson & Johnson	
Watson, Debi	Vice President for JJDC Group	11/10/2021
Milligan, John	Gilead Chief Executive Officer*	11/11/2021
	Strides Pharma Inc. Vice President,	
Tiruvattar, Chandran	Regulatory Affairs	11/12/2021
Patel, Anil	Cipla USA, U.S. Counsel*	11/18/2021
Pletcher, Brett	Gilead General Counsel*	11/19/2021
	Gilead Vice President and Head of Global Medical	
Piontkowsky, David	Affairs Therapeutic Areas*	11/22/2021
Meyers, James	Gilead Executive Vice President Worldwide	
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Meyers, James	Gilead Executive Vice President Worldwide	10/0/2021
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Tomkins, Paul	Regulatory Affairs*	12/3/2021

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> The chart includes each individual's last known position. Where an individual is known to be a former employee, an asterisk (\*) is included after the position.

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Trott, John	HIV Portfolio	12/7/2021
Moriarty, Sean	Lupin Inc. Senior Vice President, Legal Affairs*	12/8/2021
Banks, Kristie	Gilead Vice President, U.S. Managed Markets	12/13/2021
Guyer, William	Gilead Senior Vice President*	12/14/2021
•	Laurus President Finished Dose Forms North	
Versosky, Thomas	America	12/14/2021
Hitchcock, Michael	Gilead Interim Head of Alliance Management*	12/15/2021
	Gilead Senior Vice President of Pharmaceutical and	
Oliyai, Reza	Biologics Operations	12/15/2021
	Mylan Senior Director of North American	
Mitchell, David	Portfolio Development	12/15/2021
Johnson, David	Gilead Vice President, Antiviral Business Unit*	12/16/2021
Bradish, Kathleen	Gilead Outside Counsel	12/16/2021
	Gilead, Senior Director, Commercial Planning and	
Payne, Mike	Operations*	12/16/2021
Sagar, Deep	Cipla Outside Counsel	12/17/2021
	Aurobindo Pharma USA, Inc.	
Johns, Blessy	Vice President Regulatory Affairs	1/19/2022
McCallister, Scot	Gilead Executive Director*	1/27/2022
Stoffels, Paul	Janssen Chief Science Officer*	1/31/2022
	Gilead Board of Directors,	
Cogan, John	Lead Independent Director*	5/20/2022

39. Substantial work went into preparing for these depositions. As the above chart demonstrates, several of Defendants' top executives were deposed in connection with this litigation, often within days of each other or on the same day within a tight deposition schedule. To prepare for each deposition, a small team of experienced attorneys from DPPs and EPPs (and Retailers for some of the later depositions) was tasked with preparing the deposition outline and selecting potential deposition exhibits. Because of the number of witnesses, the compressed nature of the deposition schedule, and the sheer magnitude of Defendants' productions, additional attorneys were brought in to aid in reviewing relevant documents for certain high-profile witnesses.

40. For the individual witness depositions, an experienced attorney from DPPs, EPPs, or Retailers was assigned the task of taking the lead in questioning each witness. DPPs took the lead in questioning certain important witnesses with testimony important to the reverse payment claims, including Melissa Koomey, Coy Stout, Kristie Banks, David Johnson, and John Cogan.

- 41. In addition to the above-referenced depositions, I and other DPP Counsel prepared KPH's corporate representative, Charles Aquilina, for KPH's 30(b)(6) deposition and defended the deposition on November 19, 2021. As noted in the Motion for Approval of Expense and Service Awards in the BMS settlement, Mr. Aquilina spent eight to ten hours preparing for the 30(b)(6) deposition by reviewing documents produced by KPH and meeting with counsel, and Mr. Aquilina spent five hours as the deponent during the 30(b)(6) deposition.
- 42. DPP Counsel also represented the DPP Classes in the depositions of experts and representatives of other plaintiff groups where their testimony was anticipated to be relevant to DPPs' claims. DPP Counsel represented the DPP Classes in the depositions of the following Retailer employees and representatives: Kristin Alves (5/12/22), Owen McMahon (5/6/22), Zachary Mikulak (5/19/22), Ina Perales (4/26/22), Erin Shaal (6/16/22), Britt Turner (5/18/22). DPP Counsel also represented the DPP Classes in the depositions of EPP experts Richard Frank (5/18/22 and 8/31/22) and Laura Craft (5/13/22), IHPP expert Brian Hoyt (8/22/22), United expert Ernest Berndt (7/20/22 and 8/31/22), and Retailers' expert Keith Leffler (8/30/22).

# **G.** Class Certification

- 43. KPH filed a motion for class certification on October 20, 2021. DPPs' Motion for Class Certification, ECF No. 692. DPPs sought to certify three classes: a Truvada Class, for direct purchasers of Truvada and its generic equivalents, an Atripla Class, for direct purchasers of Atripla and its generic equivalents, and a Complera Class, for direct purchasers of Complera. The Class Period for each class ran from February 1, 2018 until the date of the class certification order. *Id.* at 2. In support of their class certification motion, DPPs submitted two dozen exhibits, including reports by DPPs' economist, Dr. Russell L. Lamb, Ph.D, regarding class-wide impact and damages, and by economist Professor Thomas G. McGuire, regarding market power. Dr. Lamb Report, ECF No. 693-4; Prof. McGuire Report, ECF No. 693-5.
- 44. Shortly after DPPs filed their class certification motion, the Court vacated the hearing on the class certification motion set for February 3, 2022, and the schedule for further

class certification briefing pending the Court's review of the EPPs' motion for leave to file an amended complaint adding a new plaintiff. *See* Joint Case Management Statement, ECF No. 761 at 1-2. DPPs argued for a schedule to be set as soon as possible that minimized any delay for the Classes. *See id.* at 7. Nevertheless, in connection with the Court's granting the EPPs leave to amend, the remainder of class certification briefing was postponed until June 2022. Order Granting EPPs' Motion for Leave to Amend, ECF No. 781.

- 45. On May 18, 2022, Defendants deposed Dr. Lamb regarding his report submitted in support of DPPs' class certification motion. Defendants filed their opposition to KPH's motion for class certification along with a motion to exclude the testimony of Dr. Lamb under *Daubert* on June 2, 2022. ECF Nos. 1124, 1125. Less than two weeks later, KPH filed DPPs' opposition to the Defendants' *Daubert* motion. ECF No. 1171. (Also in mid-June, Plaintiffs served merits expert reports. *See* ECF No. 1200 at 2.) On June 30, KPH filed DPPs' reply in support of their class certification motion, supported by a rebuttal report from Dr. Lamb and over a dozen other exhibits, including deposition excerpts and Defendants' internal documents. ECF No. 1196. On August 25, 2022, DPP Counsel presented oral argument in support of DPPs' motion for class certification.
- 46. On September 27, 2022, the Court entered an Order granting the DPPs' motion for class certification in substantial part, certifying a class of Truvada direct purchasers and a class of Atripla direct purchasers. ECF No. 1388 ("Class Certification Order"). The classes were defined as follows.

**Truvada Class**: All persons or entities in the United States and its territories who purchased Truvada or generic Truvada directly from any of Defendants or any brand or generic drug manufacturer from February 1, 2018, until September 27, 2022.

**Atripla Class**: All persons or entities in the United States and its territories who purchased Atripla or generic Atripla directly from any of Defendants or any brand or generic drug manufacturer from February 1, 2018, until September 27, 2022.

Excluded from the Classes are (1) Defendants, named co-conspirators, and their officers, directors, employees, subsidiaries, and affiliates; (2) federal, state, and local governmental

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27 28 entities; (3) any judicial officer presiding over the litigation and members of their immediate family and judicial staff; (4) the Retailer Plaintiffs; and (5) United Healthcare Services Inc.

- 47. The Class Certification Order also appointed Dianne Nast and I as Co-Lead Class Counsel and Francis Scarpulla as Liaison Counsel for the DPP Classes. *Id.*
- 48. Following the Court's Class Certification Order, Defendants filed a petition for permission to appeal under Rule 23(f). See Acknowledgement of Receipt of Petition to Appeal, ECF No. 1421. DPPs defended against the Defendants' petition, and the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals quickly denied Defendants' petition for permission to appeal. See Order, ECF No. 41, Fraternal Order of Police, Miami Lodge 20, Insurance Trust Fund, Case No. 22-80116 (9th Cir. Dec. 8, 2022).

# H. Class Certification Notice

- 49. Pursuant to the Class Certification Order, DPPs met and conferred with Defendants regarding the timing and content of class notice. See Proposed Order and Stipulation, ECF No. 1426 at 3. Following the exchange of a draft notice plan and notices and a meet and confer regarding any comments to DPPs' proposed notice plan and notices, DPPs filed a motion with the Court regarding the notice plan and notices. See id.; Motion Regarding Class Notice, ECF No. 1436. The motion provided for a notice plan involving direct mailed notice, digital notice, a case-specific website, and an opt-out period of 35 days. *Id.* The Court ordered DPPs and Defendants to meet and confer regarding certain edits to the content of the class notice, see ECF No. 1470, all of which DPPs and Defendants agreed were acceptable, see Joint Status Report Regarding Class Notice, ECF No. 1538 at 2. With that change, the Court granted DPPs' motion regarding the class notice plan. ECF No. 1539, 1548.
- 50. DPPs executed the notice plan in accordance with the Court's Order, causing Class Members to receive direct mail notice, and for media notice and a case-specific website to be published. DPPs received opt-outs from the six Retailers and United Healthcare Services Inc.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> The Retailer Plaintiffs and United Healthcare Services Inc. opted out of the Classes. The Retailer Plaintiffs are: Walgreen Co.; The Kroger Co.; Albertsons Companies, Inc.; H-E-B, L.P.; Rite Aid Corporation; Rite Aid Hdgtrs. Corp.; and CVS Pharmacy, Inc.

# I. BMS Settlement

- 51. At the same time DPPs were finalizing their class certification motion, supporting expert reports, and other exhibits, DPPs were also negotiating the settlement of their claims as to BMS. A settlement in principle was reached on the eve of DPPs' class certification motion. *See* Letter to the Court (Oct. 20, 2021), ECF No. 691.
- 52. Following five months of negotiations with BMS regarding the language of the settlement agreement, including the scope of the BMS Settlement Class, the terms of the release, timing for funding, and cooperation that could materially impact the ongoing litigation against Gilead, DPPs filed an unopposed motion for preliminary approval of their settlement with BMS on April 13, 2022. Preliminary Approval Motion, ECF No. 1002. The motion proposed a notice program providing for direct mail notice and reminder notice, digital media notice, phone calls to BMS Settlement Class Members from the claims administrator, and a settlement website. *Id*.
- 53. In response to the Court's order, DPPs filed supplemental briefing addressing a number of issues including the BMS Settlement Class definition as compared to the release; the number of BMS Settlement Class members; the plan of allocation; whether an average payout should be included in the notice; maximum value and litigation risk involved in the claims as to BMS; estimated litigation expenses incurred by counsel; as well as certain questions as to the amount and content of the notice and claim forms. Supplemental Briefing, ECF No. 1033. Pursuant to the Court's order, counsel for DPPs were prepared to discuss these topics at the hearing on the preliminary approval motion. Order, ECF No. 1078.
- 54. The Court heard oral argument on the preliminary approval motion on May 19, 2022. Minute Entry, ECF No. 1097. Following the hearing, the Court granted preliminary approval of the BMS Settlement and ordered that DPP Counsel provide additional notice as discussed during the hearing. Order Granting Preliminary Approval, ECF No. 1159. In so doing, the Court appointed Dianne Nast and I as Co-Lead Settlement Class Counsel. *Id.* at 3.
- 55. The Settlement Administrator, KCC, executed the notice program as provided in the Court's order granting preliminary approval. *See, e.g.*, Declaration of Carla Peak, ECF No. 1446-2. In addition to the ordered notice program, DPP Counsel reached out by telephone and/or

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email to each BMS Settlement Class Member who had not yet submitted a claim in advance of the claims deadline. See Declaration of Michael L. Roberts ¶ 4, ECF No. 1446-1.

- 56. KPH filed DPPs' motion for approval of expense and service awards on September 1, 2022. ECF No. 1364. DPP Counsel did not seek an award of fees in connection with the BMS Settlement. DPPs sought a service award of \$10,000 for KPH's service to the BMS Settlement Class and an expense award of \$2.5 million for reimbursement of some of DPP Counsel's out-of-pocket expenses. *Id.*
- 57. On October 31, 2022, KPH filed DPPs' motion for final approval of the BMS Settlement. ECF No. 1446. The motion sought final approval of the settlement, approval of the allocation plan, and dismissal of the claims against BMS with prejudice, id., and was supported by supplemental declarations from economist Dr. Lamb and from claims administrator KCC, ECF Nos. 1453 and 1489-1.
- 58. The Court heard oral argument as to the final approval of the BMS Settlement and the Motion for Service and Expense Awards on November 17, 2022 and granted final approval of the settlement. ECF No. 1522. Following the hearing, the Court issued the order granting DPPs' motions, granting final approval and awarding DPP Counsel \$2.5 million in partial reimbursement of their out-of-pocket costs and \$10,000 to KPH for its service as class representative. ECF Nos. 1523, 1524.

# J. Expert Discovery

59. Expert discovery was extensive in this litigation. At the class certification stage, DPPs relied on the expert reports of Dr. Russell Lamb, Ph.D. and Professor Thomas McGuire, and Defendants relied on the expert report of Dr. Bruce Strombom, Ph.D. At the merits stage, Plaintiffs (including DPPs) jointly served 11 merits reports and DPPs served the merits report of Dr. Lamb regarding DPP Class Member damages resulting from Defendants' alleged misconduct.<sup>6</sup> (Dr. Lamb's merits report was served on June 28, 2022, with his rebuttal in support of DPPs' motion for class certification following two days later.) As summarized below,

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> Of the eleven shared merits reports, two were served in October 2021 in connection with DPPs' motion for class certification and the remaining nine were served in June 2022.

Plaintiffs' merits reports pertained to, among other issues and subject matters, market power, stereochemistry, the strength of Gilead's FTC patents (or lack thereof), Teva's chances of prevailing in the FTC patent litigation, certain generic manufacturers' motivations, readiness, and ability to enter the market with generic Truvada and/or Atripla, the anticompetitive effects of the MFE/MFEP clauses in the FTC Settlement, and when robust entry of generic Truvada and generic Atripla would have occurred had Gilead and Teva not entered into an agreement including the concerned allegedly anticompetitive provisions. In response to Plaintiffs' experts' merits reports, Defendants served 13 merits reports of their own. Plaintiffs' shared experts and DPP-only experts collectively responded to Defendants' experts reports with 13 rebuttal reports on August 12, 2022 (with Dr. Lamb's rebuttal report following on August 17 2022).

- 60. Plaintiffs' Experts. In coordination with the other plaintiff groups, DPP Counsel identified, interviewed, and retained joint experts. DPP Counsel further worked collaboratively with the other plaintiff groups to facilitate preparation of the experts' merits and rebuttal reports, to prepare the experts to be deposed by Defendants' counsel, and to prepare the experts to testify at trial. DPP Counsel also worked with Dr. Lamb to facilitate the preparation of his DPP-only class certification, merits, and rebuttal reports, to prepare him to be deposed by Defendants' counsel on four separate occasions, and to prepare him to testify at trial. The following is a summary of the issues opined upon by each Plaintiff expert relevant to DPPs' claims.
- a. *John Caldwell, Ph.D.* A stereochemistry expert, Dr. Caldwell opined that a person of ordinary skill in the art ("POSA") in 1990 reviewing Gilead's '639 and '085 FTC patents would have recognized that the  $\beta$ -FTC molecule may exist as two enantiomers and would have been capable of and motivated to isolate and evaluate the two  $\beta$ -FTC enantiomers to determine whether a pharmaceutical compound that was substantially pure (-)- $\beta$ -FTC or substantially pure (+)- $\beta$ -FTC would be better to use in treating HIV.
- b. *Jon E. Clark.* Mr. Clark opined that from a regulatory perspective several generic competitors could have received approval of their ANDAs for generic Truvada and/or Atripla and would have been able to enter the market on or before January 26, 2018.

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- c. *Todd Clark.* Mr. Clark opined that in the absence of the alleged reverse payment settlement, six manufacturers of generic Truvada would have been ready, willing, and able to enter the market in May 2019, and three manufacturers of generic Atripla would have been ready, willing, and able to enter the market in May 2019.
- d. Leemore Dafny, Ph.D. Dr. Dafny opined as to the history and policy considerations underlying the Drug Price Competition and Patent Term Restoration Act of 1984 (the "Hatch-Waxman Act") and automatic substitution laws. She also opined that in response to such laws passed to encourage the development and sale of lower-priced generics, branded pharmaceutical companies have adopted a number of strategies to limit and delay generic rivals including, but not limited to, reverse payment settlements.
- e. Stephen Follansbee, M.D. Based on his review of clinical research, other documents and testimony, and experience as an HIV specialist and treating physician, Dr. Follansbee opined: (i) as early as 2002, TDF was associated with increased risk of renal toxicities; (ii) data available in 2004 supported TAF's potential to address the increased risk of renal toxicities associated with TDF; (iii) TAF's potential to meet unmet medical needs did not change between 2004 and 2010; (iv) as of 2009, there was an association between combining TDF and a booster and an increase in tenofovir exposure and consequently increased risk of renal toxicities; (v) Stribild clinical trials show an association between the administration of Stribild and an increased risk of renal toxicities as compared to un-boosted TDF regimens; and (vi) Gilead's registrational path for its TAF products did not allow for a fair comparison of the relative risks of bone and renal toxicities between TDF and TAF products.
- f. W. David Hardy, M.D. Dr. Hardy is a physician with more than 40 years of experience as a primary care and infectious disease clinician focused on treating patients with HIV. Dr. Hardy served as an expert on the history of HIV and AIDs, the clinical practice of HIV treatment and prevention, the relevant differences between HIV drugs, how prescribing physicians make decisions relevant to the treatment and prevention of HIV, Gilead's clinical trial comparing TDF to TAF-based regimens, and the approach to treatment and prevention in light of the available information regarding TDF and TAF.

- g. *Russell Lamb, Ph.D.* Dr. Lamb served as an expert economist for DPPs at the class certification and merits stages. In that capacity, he opined that common evidence could be used to prove that DPP Class Members were injured as a result of Defendants' alleged misconduct, that a common methodology could be used to prove DPP Class Members' aggregate damages, and calculated DPP Class Member damages. Dr. Lamb also served as a shared expert for all plaintiff groups. In that capacity, he opined that direct evidence established Gilead's market power for purposes of analyzing the anticompetitive effects of the NGR clauses in Gilead's agreements with BMS and Janssen and, alternatively, that the relevant markets for analyzing such effects were the brand drugs and their generic equivalents.
- h. *Edward Lentz*. Ed Lentz opined that a reasonable, competent, and well-informed attorney with significant experience in the field of pharmaceutical patents would have advised his or her client that there was a 75 to 85% likelihood that Teva would prevail in the FTC patent litigation against Gilead and that the claims of the follow-on patents were invalid or not infringed and would not have blocked the commercialization of Teva's generic Truvada and generic Atripla products.
- i. *Thomas G. McGuire, Ph.D.* Professor McGuire is an expert in health economics and opined that Gilead's market power could be proven with direct evidence and, alternatively, that the relevant markets for analyzing the potential anticompetitive effects of the FTC Settlement were Truvada and its generic equivalents and Atripla and its generic equivalents. Professor McGuire opined that the MFE/MFEP clauses in the FTC Settlement constitute an anticompetitive reverse payment that delayed Teva's entry and the entry of subsequent generics. Professor McGuire also opined that in the absence of such anticompetitive provisions, reasonable companies sitting in the shoes of Gilead and Teva would have agreed to a generic entry date of May 2019, and Gilead would have agreed to provide subsequent generics with a license to enter on the same date.
- j. *Daniel L. Rubinfeld*, *Ph.D.* Dr. Rubinfeld is an expert economist and opined that the no-generic restraint clauses in Gilead's agreements with BMS and Janssen were not

reasonably necessary for the collaboration agreements, had no pro-competitive benefits, and were anticompetitive.

- k. *W. David Bradford, Ph.D. (Rebuttal Only).* The opinions of Dr. Bradford were offered in response to the opinions of Defendants' expert Dr. Jena. Dr. Bradford opined that (i) there is no evidence the innovations cited by Dr. Jena would not have occurred absent the challenged conduct; (ii) Dr. Jena's conclusion that Gilead lacked sufficient incentives to develop TAF in the early to mid-2000s is unsupported, contrary to available evidence, and ignores materials showing that Gilead's decision-making regarding TAF was tied to a long-term strategy to maintain exclusivity and profits for its multibillion-dollar TDF-based franchise; and (iii) Dr. Jena ignores the negative economic consequences and societal effects of the specific conduct at issue.
- 1. *Jur Strobos, M.D. (Rebuttal Only)*. In response to the report of Defendants' expert Mr. Dormer, Dr. Strobos opined that the FDA's authority is limited in reviewing drug applications, that the FDA is required to make a yes or no decision on the overall safety and effectiveness of a drug included in a New Drug Application ("NDA"), that in the absence of confirmatory clinical trials on a putative "better" dosing regimen, the FDA's decision must rest on the dosing regimen selected by the sponsor and the data on that dosing regimen submitted by the sponsor.
- m. *Raj Suryanarayanan*, *Ph.D (Rebuttal only)*. In response to the report of Defendants' expert Dr. Berkland, Dr. Suryanarayanan opined that the relevant claims of the formulation patents are invalid as obvious and disagreed with Dr. Berkland's assertions to the contrary.
- 61. Defendants deposed each of Plaintiffs' joint experts at least once, and some experts were deposed multiple times, based in part on the number of reports those experts submitted—McGuire (4), Lamb (4), Lentz (2), Rubinfeld (2). DPP Counsel were heavily involved in preparing these experts for their depositions and took the lead in defending Dr. Lamb and Dr. Rubinfeld during their depositions. The following chart summarizes the Plaintiffs' experts' depositions:

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Plaintiff Expert's Name	<b>Deposition Date(s)</b>
Russell Lamb, Ph.D	5/18/22
Thomas G. McGuire, Ph.D	7/13/22
Daniel L. Rubinfeld, Ph.D	7/13/22
Edward Lentz	7/15/22
Thomas G. McGuire, Ph.D	7/18/22
Russell Lamb, Ph.D	7/19/22
Russell Lamb, Ph.D	7/25/22
Leemore Dafny, Ph.D	8/19/22
Raj Suryanarayanan, Ph.D	8/25/22
Daniel L. Rubinfeld, Ph.D	8/26/22
Todd Clark	8/26/22
Thomas G. McGuire, Ph.D	8/30/22
Russell Lamb, Ph.D	8/31/22
W. David Bradford, Ph.D	9/1/22
Edward Lentz	9/1/22
Thomas G. McGuire, Ph.D	9/2/22
W. David Hardy, M.D.	9/2/22
Jon E. Clark	9/8/22
Stephen Follansbee, M.D.	9/8/22
John Caldwell, Ph.D	9/14/22
Jur Strobos, M.D.	9/14/22

- 62. In addition to the depositions of Dr. Lamb and all-plaintiff shared experts, DPP Counsel represented the DPP Classes at the depositions of the following other plaintiff experts where the testimony was anticipated to be relevant to DPPs' claims: EPP experts Richard Frank, Ph.D (5/18/22 and 8/31/22) and Laura Craft (5/13/22); Retailers' expert Keith Leffler, Ph.D (8/30/22); IHPPs' expert Brian Hoyt, Ph.D (8/22/22); and United's expert Ernst Berndt, Ph.D (7/20/22 and 8/31/22).
- 63. **Defendants' Experts.** The following is a summary of the topics/issues covered by each of Defendants' experts.
- a. *Cory J. Berkland, Ph.D.* Dr. Berkland was offered as a pharmaceutical formulation expert to respond to Mr. Lentz's opinions regarding the strength of Gilead's FTC patents and Teva's chances of prevailing in the FTC patent litigation.
- b. *Lewis P. Berneman*. Mr. Berneman was offered to respond to the opinions of Plaintiffs' expert Dan Rubinfeld, Ph.D., and opined that the NGR clauses in agreements between

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Gilead and BMS/Janssen were analogous to those regularly included in pharmaceutical alliance agreements and facilitated the execution of such agreements by regulating certain behavior by the parties that had the potential to undermine the goals of the alliance.

- c. Leonard C. Chyall, Ph.D. Dr. Chyall was offered as a chemistry expert to rebut Plaintiffs' expert Dr. Caldwell's opinion that a POSA reviewing Gilead's '639 and '085 FTC patents would have recognized that the β-FTC molecule may exist as two enantiomers and would have been capable of and motivated to isolate and evaluate the two β-FTC enantiomers to determine whether a pharmaceutical compound that was substantially pure (-)-β-FTC or substantially pure (+)- $\beta$ -FTC would be better to use in treating HIV.
- d. *Robert A. Dormer*. Mr. Dormer offered opinions in response to Plaintiffs' allegations that Gilead should have reduced the amount of TDF in Stribild because the drug contained a booster that increased the adverse side effects of TDF but failed to do so in order to orchestrate a switch to its TAF-based drugs. Specifically, Mr. Dormer opined that the FDA was involved in the development, testing, and approval of Gilead's HIV drugs Stribild, Genvoya, Odefsey, and Descovy; Gilead's interactions with the FDA regarding these drugs were consistent with ordinary regulatory practice; and that it is unlikely the FDA viewed Gilead's marketing or public statements regarding these drugs as misleading.
- e. *Thomas Hoxie*. In response to the opinion of Plaintiffs' expert Todd Clark, Mr. Hoxie opined that the MFE/MFEP clauses in the FTC Settlement did not serve to restore Teva's forfeited 180-day first-to-file exclusivity and did not disincentivize later-filing generic manufacturers from challenging Gilead's FTC patents.
- f. Anupam B. Jena, M.D., Ph.D. One of Defendants' economists, Dr. Jena opined that available evidence does not support that Gilead shelved TAF development for patent extension purposes, that Defendants' alleged misconduct did not stymie innovation in the overall HIV drug space, and that Plaintiffs' expert economists relied on unsupported assumptions and presented flawed damages calculations.

64. Plaintiffs deposed nine Defendant expert witnesses with testimony relevant to DPPs' claims. DPP Counsel represented the DPP Classes at each of these depositions, took the lead in questioning Dr. Strombom, and contributed to the strategy regarding and preparation of questions, outlines, and exhibits for the other Defendant expert depositions. The following chart summarizes the Defendants' experts' depositions:

Defendant Expert's Name	<b>Deposition Date</b>
Bruce Strombom, Ph.D.	6/24/22
Cory Berkland, Ph.D.	8/18/22
Lawrence Wu, Ph.D.	8/19/22
Celeste Saravia, Ph.D.	8/24/22
Robert A. Dormer	8/25/22
Louis Berneman	8/29/22
Thomas Hoxie	8/29/22
Anupam B. Jena, M.D., Ph.D.	9/13/22
David Pitrak, M.D.	9/15/22

# K. Summary Judgment and Daubert Briefing

- 65. Defendants filed three motions for summary judgment as to Plaintiffs' claims on September 8, 2022. ECF Nos. 1376, 1377, and 1378. DPPs set to work on opposing those motions and drafting related *Daubert* motions. DPPs took the lead on certain briefs, while other plaintiff groups took the lead on others, with DPPs providing support in the form of research and revisions. DPPs also worked cooperatively with the other plaintiff groups in preparing a motion for partial summary judgment as to market power and as to the Plaintiffs' NGR claims under the Quick-Look Test. DPPs accomplished this herculean effort cooperatively and efficiently together with the other plaintiff groups.
- 66. On October 6, 2022, DPPs and the other plaintiff groups together filed the motion for partial summary judgment, the omnibus opposition, and the *Daubert* motions, which together included well over 200 exhibits in support, *see Daubert* Motions, ECF Nos. 1398 (Berneman), 1400 (Jena), 1401 (Wright), 1402 (Saravia, Hoxie, O'Malley, Dormer, Berneman, and Jena on state of mind), 1403 (Wu), 1404 (Saravia); Opposition to Motion for Summary Judgment and Motion for Partial Summary Judgment, ECF No. 1407. On the same date, Defendants filed an omnibus motion to exclude several of Plaintiffs' key experts. ECF No. 1406-3.

- 67. In response, DPPs again worked cooperatively with the other plaintiff groups within a tight window to research and draft the oppositions to Defendants' omnibus *Daubert* motion as to Plaintiffs' experts, again with DPPs taking the lead as to certain oppositions and other plaintiff groups taking the lead as to others. Defendants filed their replies in support of their motions for summary judgment and opposition to Plaintiffs' motion for partial summary judgment on October 27, 2022. *See* ECF Nos. 1437, 1438, and 1439. The same day, Plaintiffs filed their omnibus brief in opposition to Defendants' *Daubert* motion, ECF No. 1442, and Defendants filed their omnibus opposition to Plaintiffs' *Daubert* motions, ECF No. 1443. Plaintiffs filed their joint reply in support of partial summary judgment on November 3, 2022. ECF No. 1455.
- 68. Working cooperatively with the other Plaintiff groups, DPPs were prepared to argue a portion of the many summary judgment and *Daubert* motions on the docket for the hearing held on November 17, 2022, during which the Court heard nearly three hours of argument. ECF No. 1527. Given the amount of motions to be heard, the Court heard further oral argument concerning the *Daubert* motions on February 16, 2023, ECF No. 1715, and DPPs again were prepared to argue a portion of those motions.
- 69. On January 9, 2023, the Court granted Defendants' motion for summary judgment as to the TAF claims, denied Plaintiffs' motion for partial summary judgment as to market power and on the NGR claims, granted in part and denied in part Defendants' motion on the NGR claims, and denied the Defendants' motion on the MFE/MFEP claims. ECF No. 1599. The Court also denied a portion of Defendants' *Daubert* briefs and deferred ruling on the rest. *Id*.

#### L. Additional Pretrial Submissions

70. From the fall of 2022 to the spring of 2023, many DPP Counsel worked virtually full-time as they prepared to present DPPs' case to a jury.

#### i. Motions in Limine

71. The parties exchanged seven motions in limine per side of no more than seven pages each, per the Court's order, on January 26, 2023. *See* Joint Status Report, ECF No. 1610 at 2; Order, ECF No. 1612. The parties exchanged oppositions to the motions in limine just under

two weeks later, a day before filing them as paired sets along with other pretrial filings on February 9, 2023. *Id*.

- As with the *Daubert* motions, DPP Counsel were heavily involved in strategizing as to the motions (in particular after the Court's order limiting the number of motions and pages per motion), and researching, drafting, and revising the motions in limine and the oppositions to Defendants' motions in limine. DPPs took the lead as to certain motions and oppositions, while other plaintiff groups took the lead as to other motions and oppositions. DPPs contributed to all motions and oppositions.
- 73. On March 19, 2023, the Court granted in part and denied in part the majority of the motions in limine and deferred ruling on the rest. ECF No. 1716.

# ii. Trial Structure

- 74. Even before filing the initial Class Action Complaint, DPPs were researching (a) whether the reverse payment, NGR, and potentially other claims at issue should be tried together; (b) which claims (if any) should be tried before a jury; (c) whether direct and indirect purchaser plaintiff claims should be tried together (in full or in part) before a single jury or potentially multiple juries; and (d) the format a trial could take in the event issues common to all plaintiff groups were decided by a jury and DPP-specific issues were presented to a separate jury.
- 75. Based on extensive legal research and the facts and circumstances of the litigation, DPPs concluded it would be most efficient and appropriate for (1) the reverse payment and NGR claims to be tried separately, and (2) all plaintiff groups' reverse payment claims to be tried together before a single jury. While all parties ultimately agreed the reverse payment and NGR claims should be tried separately, there was substantial disagreement among the plaintiff groups as to whether the reverse payment claims should be tried in a non-bifurcated manner before a single jury. The solid judgment and wisdom of DPP Counsel prevailed as to this strategy.
- 76. The parties exchanged trial structure briefs on January 26, 2023. In a joint submission with EPPs and United, DPPs argued that the reverse payment claims for all plaintiff groups should be decided before a single jury and opposed the Retailers' request that the Court empanel two juries—one to resolve "common issues" and the other to render a verdict on DPPs'

and Retailers' damages. The same views were set forth in the Plaintiffs' February 8, 2023, joint response brief on trial structure. In their trial structure submissions, Defendants took the view that the reverse payment claims of all plaintiff groups should be tried before a single jury and opposed the Retailers' bifurcated trial request. After hearing argument on the issue, the Court ultimately ordered all plaintiff groups' reverse payment claims to be tried together before a single jury.

# iii. Jury Instructions

- 77. DPPs began researching jury instructions on behalf of the DPP Classes in the fall of 2022, long before working together with the other plaintiff groups on a joint set of instructions. This project was identified early on as extremely important to DPPs, and as a result, DPP Counsel spent many hours researching how best to distill and communicate complex issues through jury instructions. Much of the research was tested in jury exercises, as described below.
- 78. DPPs took important roles in researching and drafting the many sets of jury instructions that were exchanged and submitted to the Court from the first draft exchange until DPPs' settlement with Gilead. Given the incredible amount of information that needed to be refined into jury instructions, the effort was a joint and cooperative one with the other plaintiff groups, with DPPs researching and drafting certain topic areas, then reviewing, revising, and continuing to research all the other instructions. Plaintiffs provided the first draft of jury instructions to Defendants on November 23, 2022. See ECF No. 1415 at 4. Defendants provided their "revisions," that is, an entirely new, separate draft, on December 7, 2022. *Id.* Plaintiffs worked to revise their jury instructions consistent with the Court's summary judgment and other orders, and in an effort to reach agreement with the Defendants on certain issues; Plaintiffs provided an updated draft set of instructions to the Defendants on January 20, 2023. See Joint Stipulation and Order regarding Pretrial Schedule, ECF No. 1613. Defendants responded with their revisions a week later. *Id.* The parties met and conferred regarding the instructions in an attempt to reach an agreement as to certain instructions and issues, formatting, filing, and other topics before filing the proposed set of instructions, including any competing instructions and supporting argument, on February 9, 2023.

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- 79. Following this submission, the Court proposed jury instructions and ordered the parties to meet and confer to attempt to agree on any proposed modifications to the Court's set of instructions. ECF Nos. 1720, 1774 at 2.
- modifications, narrow their proposals to only the most important, and revise those proposals until they were ready for exchange with the Defendants. Plaintiffs met and conferred with Defendants regarding these proposals per the Court's order. DPPs, in addition to working on the other proposed instructions, proposed specific instructions relating to their theory of liability based in their proposed trial structure and DPP-focused trial strategy. *See* ECF Nos. 1764, 1800, 1801. They continued to meet and confer and filed joint proposed modifications to the Court's proposed instructions, many of which were agreed, on April 27, 2023. ECF No. 1817. The Court issued an order concerning the parties' proposed modifications and directed the parties to file final comments on the jury instructions by May 22, 2023. ECF No. 1861. DPPs continued to work cooperatively with the other plaintiff groups as trial was gearing up, filing comments on a refined set of three issues on May 22 (relevant market, but-for world, and pass-on). ECF No. 1870. The Court issued its final jury instructions the following day, incorporating certain of the Plaintiffs' proposed modifications. ECF No. 1881.

#### iv. Verdict Form

- 81. DPPs spent a significant amount of time researching, proposing, and conferring with other Plaintiffs' counsel and Defendants regarding the appropriate verdict form.
- 82. On November 29, 2022, Plaintiffs emailed Defendants their initial proposed verdict form, including reverse payment, no-generics restraint, and monopolization questions, as well as certain state-law damage multiplier questions. On December 13, 2022, Defendants emailed Plaintiffs their initial proposed verdict form.
- 83. Following the Court's summary judgment rulings, on January 20, 2023, Plaintiffs emailed Defendants a revised proposed verdict form limited to the reverse payment claims. On January 27, 2023, Defendants responded by emailing Plaintiffs their revised proposed verdict form. The parties met and conferred regarding the competing verdict forms on January 30, 2023.

- 84. On February 7, 2023, following several telephone calls with the lead counsel for the other plaintiff groups, DPPs proposed a simplified verdict form to the other plaintiff groups. The simplified verdict form included one question regarding antitrust violation, one question regarding causation, lines for the jury to indicate the amount of overcharge damages suffered by each plaintiff group, and four questions relating solely to enhanced damages under certain state laws.
- 85. On February 8, 2023, Plaintiffs emailed Defendants two proposed verdict forms—one for a single trial and a second form for if the Court decided to adopt the Retailers' trial structure and have non-common direct purchaser issues decided by a second jury. Similar to the verdict form DPP Counsel circulated on February 7, 2023, the single trial verdict form included questions regarding antitrust violation and causation, lines for the jury to indicate the amount of overcharge damages suffered by each plaintiff group, and questions relating solely to enhanced damages under certain state laws.
- 86. On April 25, 2023, Plaintiffs emailed Defendants a revised verdict form containing revisions addressing state law issues for IHPP and EPPs. After certain plaintiff groups disagreed regarding the language and the ordering of parties in the verdict form, on April 26, 2023, DPP Counsel circulated a revised verdict form prepared by DPPs and Retailers only. After weeks of negotiations among the various plaintiff groups and between Plaintiffs and Defendants, on May 5, 2023, three separate proposed verdict forms were submitted to the Court: one on behalf of DPPs and Retailers, one on behalf of EPPs, United, and IHPPs, and one on behalf of Defendants.
- 87. At the May 10, 2023 pretrial conference, the Court heard arguments from the parties regarding their respective proposed verdict forms.
- 88. On May 12, 2023, the Court entered an Order attaching the "Court's Proposed Verdict Form" and directing the parties to submit final comments by May 18, 2023.
- 89. On May 18, 2023, EPPs and IHPPs requested that questions regarding state law damages enhancements be added to the verdict form, while Defendants requested significant revisions to the verdict form. On May 19, 2023, DPP Counsel worked with counsel for the other

plaintiff groups to draft and file a response to Defendants' submission requesting a substantially reworked verdict form.

90. On May 23, 2023, the Court filed a revised verdict form and directed the parties to submit final comments no later than the next day. DPP Counsel worked with counsel for the other plaintiff groups in preparing comments and objections to the Court's revised verdict form, which were filed with the Court on May 24, 2023.

#### v. Pretrial Conference Statement

- 91. DPP Counsel invested hours upon hours cooperatively working with the other plaintiff groups to strategize as to the contents of the pretrial conference statement, and researching, drafting, and revising those contents before exchanging with Defendants and ultimately filing the statement, along with other pretrial filings.
- 92. Plaintiffs provided the first draft of the pretrial conference statement to Defendants on December 22, 2022. *See* Joint Status Report, ECF No. 1598 at 8. Defendants sent their comments to Plaintiffs' draft on January 5, 2023. Plaintiffs provided a revised statement on January 18, 2023, in accordance with the Court's orders and in an effort to reach agreement on certain topics with Defendants. *See* ECF No. 1613 at 2. Defendants provided their edits a week later, after which the parties met and conferred in an effort to narrow the areas on which they disagreed. *Id.* at 3. The pretrial conference statement was filed with the Court on February 9, 2023. ECF No. 1636.
- 93. Pursuant to the order of the Court, the parties filed a joint statement informing the Court whether they agreed that the disputed legal issues would be resolved through various other pretrial filings. ECF No. 1640. Plaintiffs agreed that the Court need not separately address the legal disputes listed in the pretrial conference statement except with regard to market power/market definition. ECF No. 1659.

#### vi. Trial Brief

94. Plaintiffs jointly prepared a trial brief and submitted it to the Court along with the other pretrial filings on February 9, 2023. ECF No. 1638-3.

95. In preparing Plaintiffs' trial brief, DPP Counsel researched, drafted, edited, and adjudicated edits and comments from other plaintiff groups with regard to certain portions of the brief. Other plaintiff groups took the lead as to other portions of the brief; DPP Counsel reviewed, researched, and revised those portions before the brief was finalized and filed.

# vii. Deposition Designations

- 96. DPP Counsel spent a significant amount of time on deposition designations over several months. Among the plaintiff groups, deposition designations relevant to all plaintiff groups were the responsibility of subject matter teams. DPPs were well represented on each of these teams and contributed extensively to the process of reviewing deposition transcripts and videos, affirmatively designating testimony, reviewing Defendants' affirmative and counterdesignations and objections, designating counter-designations, and objecting to Defendants designations and counter-designations.
- 97. Each plaintiff group was also responsible for designating testimony relevant to their claims only (mainly, class representative deposition testimony). DPPs designated testimony from the deposition of Charles Aquilina, who testified as a corporate representative of KPH.
- 98. On December 1, 2022, Plaintiffs jointly provided Defendants with their affirmative deposition designations for 70 witnesses. This was a months-long process, as certain deposition transcripts were more than 300 pages in length. DPPs contributed to the designations of approximately 50 of these witnesses (the remaining 20 were plaintiff representatives from other plaintiff groups), affirmatively designating testimony for certain witnesses and reviewing and proposing additions and deletions to testimony designated by other plaintiff groups. While working on this project, DPP Counsel were involved in numerous calls and emails regarding additions and deletions to designations and the rationales for same.
- 99. Because of the magnitude of this project, to guard against the scenario in which other plaintiff groups settled with Defendants, DPPs set up their own platform through which they independently designated deposition testimony for 47 potential fact witnesses. DPPs' designations were shared with the other plaintiff groups and integrated into the initial designations provided to Defendants.

- 100. On December 22, 2022, Defendants provided all plaintiff groups with their deposition designations, counter-designations, and objections to Plaintiffs' deposition designations.
- 101. In response to the Court's Summary Judgment Order and Defendants' designations and counter-designations, on January 26, 2023, Plaintiffs provided Defendants with revised and additional designations, objections to Defendants' designations, and objections to Defendants' counter-designations. The process of reviewing and providing objections to Defendants' designations and counter-designations was a massive task, and several DPP Counsel were heavily involved in this project in coordination with other plaintiff groups.
- 102. On February 6, 2023, Defendants emailed Plaintiffs their revised affirmative designations, revised counter-designations, and objections to Plaintiffs' revised affirmative designations and counter-designations. Two days later, Plaintiffs emailed Defendants their objections to Defendants' revised designations and counter-designations.
- 103. The next day, on February 9, 2023, the parties filed their initial affirmative deposition designations, counter-designations, and related objections with the Court.
- 104. In response to the Court's comments at the March 7, 2023 pretrial conference,
  DPPs worked with other plaintiff groups to pare down the deposition designations (and objections thereto) ultimately provided to the Court for review and in preparation for trial.
- 105. On March 29, 2023, the parties exchanged pared down affirmative designations for witnesses likely to be presented at trial by way of deposition.
- 106. On March 31, 2023, the parties exchanged objections to the opposing parties' pared down designations and additional designations.
- 107. On April 3rd and 4th, DPP Counsel and counsel for the plaintiff groups met-and-conferred with Defendants to attempt to resolve objections to the pared down designations. These discussions resulted in the parties' withdrawal or modification of many designations and objections to designations. On April 6, 2023, the parties filed the pared down designations, counter-designations, and objections with the Court.

108. On May 14, 2023, Plaintiffs provided the designations to their trial vendor to begin making video clips for the witnesses they expected to present at trial via video. After receiving the clips, DPPs and other Plaintiff groups continued to refine the videos until they were in trial-ready form. DPPs and other plaintiff groups also continued to fine-tune the deposition testimony that would be played at trial in response to being alerted by Defendants that certain witnesses would not be testifying live at trial (for example, Greg Chopskie).

#### viii. Trial Exhibits

- 109. Like with the deposition designations, DPPs engaged in a months-long process in coordination with the other plaintiff groups and Defendants to identify and narrow the exhibits for trial and the parties' objections to such exhibits. DPPs were heavily represented on the subject matter teams responsible for identifying trial exhibits relevant to all plaintiff groups' claims, as well as the teams responsible for working in coordination with experts jointly retained by all plaintiff groups to identify potential trial exhibits to be used by such experts and in cross-examining Defendants' experts. DPPs were also responsible for identifying and designating trial exhibits relevant to DPP Class member claims only, such as exhibits supporting the DPP class representative's and expert economist's testimony at trial.
- 110. Plaintiffs and Defendants exchanged initial exhibit lists on December 1, 2022. Plaintiffs' initial exhibit list identified 2,408 documents, data files, demonstratives, and other materials by Bates number and deposition exhibit number (where applicable), included a short description for each proposed exhibit, and designated each exhibit as "Expect to Offer" or "May Offer." Defendants' initial exhibit list identified 1,823 potential exhibits for trial.
- 111. The parties exchanged objections to proposed trial exhibits on January 5, 2023.

  DPP Counsel participated in the subject matter teams responsible for lodging these objections on behalf of all plaintiff groups. To guard against a scenario in which all indirect purchaser claims settled out of the case or were dismissed prior to trial—rendering pass-on evidence irrelevant—

  DPP Counsel separately lodged objections to trial exhibits relating to pass-on evidence.
- 112. Plaintiffs and Defendants exchanged revised trial exhibit lists on January 25, 2023. Similar to the initial trial exhibit list, Plaintiffs' revised exhibit list identified 2,259 documents,

- data files, demonstratives, and other materials by Bates number and deposition exhibit number (where applicable), included a short description for each proposed exhibit, and designated each exhibit as "Expect to Offer" or "May Offer." The revised exhibit list also "tiered" the potential trial exhibits as follows: Tier 1 (will use), Tier 2 (most likely will use), Tier 3 (might use), Tier 4 (Plaintiffs do not plan to use this document, provided the trial aligns with the structure proposed by Plaintiffs). The parties exchanged objections to the revised trial exhibits on February 6, 2023.
- 113. On March 29, 2023, Plaintiffs served a revised trial exhibit list on Defendants. For each exhibit identified, the revised exhibit list included a trial exhibit number, document date, document type (for example, email), Bates numbers, a short description, the purpose of the document, possible witnesses (completed for most of the documents), a summary of Defendants' objections, Plaintiffs' response to Defendants' objections, and a tier for the document (1-4). On March 31, 2023, Defendants provided Plaintiffs with a combined exhibit list containing Plaintiffs' revised exhibit list and their revised exhibit list into one document. On April 6, 2023, the parties jointly submitted a revised trial exhibit list to the Court.
- 114. Between April 6, 2023, and April 24, 2023, the parties worked to clean up and finalize the trial exhibit list by, among other things, withdrawing duplicate documents and identifying incomplete versions of exhibits. On April 24, 2024, the parties jointly submitted an updated trial exhibit list to the Court.
- 115. DPP Counsel continued to meet and confer with other plaintiff groups and Defendants regarding trial exhibits and objections to same until the day DPPs reached an agreement with Gilead on the materials terms of the Settlement.

#### ix. Witness List

116. As was the case with the exhibit list, the witness list was a months-long endeavor that required the plaintiff groups to communicate and work cooperatively among the plaintiff groups, as they met and conferred with Defendants, regarding witnesses to be called live at trial and witnesses to be called via deposition, witness availability, and other such issues related to the witness list.

- 117. DPP Counsel were heavily involved in preparation for and taking of depositions, as well as in the review of the millions of documents from Defendants and non-parties. Therefore, DPP Counsel naturally participated in the strategy discussions among the plaintiff groups regarding which witnesses to call, and in which order. This strategy discussion began by fall 2022 and continued through DPPs' settlement with Gilead on the eve of trial just before opening statements.
- 118. DPP Counsel, along with the other plaintiff groups, prepared detailed initial witness disclosures that they provided to Defendants on December 1, 2023. *See* Plaintiffs' Amended Trial Witness Summaries, ECF No. 1864. DPPs handled their client witnesses as well as many of the witnesses in whose depositions they were deeply involved or in which subject matter teams DPP Counsel had been deeply involved in preparing for depositions and trial. Plaintiffs provided a short supplemental statement as to the substance of each witness's testimony and a time estimate of that trial testimony on December 22, 2022. ECF No. 1864. Defendants informed Plaintiffs whether the witnesses would appear live or by deposition video on January 27, 2023. *See* ECF No. 1613.
- order. Plaintiffs provided to Defendants a revised witness list on January 17, 2023. Defendants agreed to disclose witnesses that they planned to bring to trial who were outside subpoena power 45 days before trial. ECF No. 1561. Plaintiffs filed further witness summaries as an exhibit to the joint pretrial conference statement on February 9, 2023. ECF No. 1636-5. Plaintiffs filed an even further refined witness list and summaries on March 28, 2023, as did Defendants, following the Court's order on motions in limine. ECF No. 1722-1. The parties filed their final witness lists on May 19, 2023. ECF No. 1864.
- 120. At each stage of the witness lists and summaries, DPP Counsel strategized as to which witnesses should represent the class representative at trial from KPH, what testimony they would provide, and how long that testimony would take. Furthermore, DPP Counsel strategized as to the witnesses that should be called in litigating their reverse payment claims, in what order, for how long, and regarding which topics; in light of the fact that most fact witnesses in this case

would be adverse and the rest were expert witnesses, these strategy discussions were extensive and complex.

#### x. Voir Dire Questionnaire

- 121. The parties filed a joint set of proposed voir dire questions on February 9, 2023. ECF No. 1637-11. DPP Counsel led the plaintiff groups in the drafting, consulting with trial consultants, and meeting and conferring with Defendants as to the voir dire questions.
- 122. The parties first exchanged draft voir dire questions on January 24, 2023. ECF No. 1613. In preparation for that exchange, DPP Counsel drafted questions and requested feedback from the plaintiff groups and trial consultants on those draft questions. DPP Counsel adjudicated the edits and comments and finalized the draft set of questions for exchange with Defendants.
- 123. The parties exchanged objections to voir dire questions on January 27, 2023, after which the parties met and conferred regarding their objections in an effort to narrow their disagreements and file an agreed set of voir dire questions. ECF No. 1613. Through meeting and conferring and exchanging revised drafts, the parties successfully narrowed their disagreements to just a few questions, which were proposed separately by the parties, by the time they filed their proposed questions with the Court. *See* ECF No. 1657-11.
- 124. At the pretrial conference on April 10, 2023, the Court instructed the parties to file a proposed written jury questionnaire by April 27, 2023. ECF No. 1774. The questions posed by this questionnaire would replace many of the previously proposed voir dire questions, given the complex and sensitive nature of some topics in the litigation. As a result, the parties again exchanged proposed drafts of the written questionnaire before meeting and conferring. Again, DPP Counsel led the charge, drafting the questionnaire, seeking feedback from other plaintiff groups and trial consultants for both DPPs and the other plaintiff groups, and working with Defendants to refine the questions in an effort to reduce any disagreements. DPP Counsel filed a jointly proposed questionnaire, with only a few questions that were not agreed proposed by each side, with the Court on April 27, 2023. ECF No. 1818. For the questions that were not agreed, DPP Counsel drafted and sought feedback from the other plaintiff groups as to Plaintiffs'

arguments in support of their proposed questions and in opposition to Defendants' proposed questions. *Id.* 

125. The parties submitted a slightly modified written juror questionnaire on May 11, 2023, incorporating the directives provided by the Court at the pretrial conference held the day prior. ECF No. 1834. The written questionnaire was then electronically provided to the jury pool through the Court's jury office and informed voir dire.

### M. Trial Preparation

#### i. Retention of Trial Consultants

- 126. Knowing there was a likelihood (through past experience) that other plaintiff groups may settle their cases before trial and leave DPPs to try the case on their own, DPPs retained separate trial consultants (in addition to the trial consultants which were hired by the all-plaintiffs groups) with deep experience in complex litigation in the Bay Area. These trial consultants were retained in the fall of 2022 to advise on trial strategy, jury selection, and voir dire, and to execute various jury focus groups and a two-day mock trial. The trial consultants ultimately put on two jury focus exercises and one two-day mock trial, all taking place in the Bay Area. The trial consultants provided their own thoughts as to the case and proposed tactics for addressing anticipated trial issues.
- 127. DPPs also worked with consultants who ran a large-data survey study online. DPPs assisted in preparing the survey, which posed a series of questions to a large pool of potential jurors. The survey was designed to gather information about the jury pool and their perception of issues in the litigation.
- 128. Additionally, in the spring of 2023, DPPs decided to retain the jury consultants that the other plaintiff groups had hired to assist them with trial. These consultants participated in the all-plaintiffs' mock trial as well as in the DPP-only mock trial. They provided invaluable support in preparing for voir dire, jury selection, preparation of witnesses, and other trial strategy.

#### ii. Mock Trial / Focus Groups

129. In early December 2022, DPPs held a jury focus group exercise in the Bay Area to better understand how juries perceive the reverse payment liability theory, DPPs, and other trial

issues. The exercise involved a significant amount of intense work by DPP Counsel, who drafted a presentation and prepared a PowerPoint for the trial consultants to use in presenting the case to the jurors. The presentation was drafted by multiple DPP Counsel and was revised continuously by DPP Counsel and DPPs' trial consultants until it was presented to the jurors. During the exercise, the trial consultants read the presentation for the jurors, then asked the jurors questions intended to provide information about their understanding of the case. The exercise lasted slightly over half a day. DPP Counsel worked collaboratively with the trial consultants to draft appropriate questions. DPP Counsel tuned in remotely and reviewed recordings thereafter.

- 130. The EPPs and Retailers prepared a live jury focus group exercise in early January 2023 in the Bay Area. DPP Counsel represented the DPP Classes in person and remotely and participated in strategy conversations with the other plaintiff groups and among themselves following the exercise.
- 131. The DPPs held a second jury focus group exercise in the Bay Area in early February 2023. This focus group differed from the first focus group in two main respects: this group was shown a recorded presentation by one of DPP Counsel, who presented both Plaintiffs' and Defendants' arguments regarding the reverse payment claims, and the presentation was refined in light of the Court's summary judgment order. Again, DPP Counsel worked intensely to prepare for the focus group and to provide the trial consultants with all of the information and materials they needed to put on the exercise.
- a two-day in-person event held on a weekend. The preparation for this event was grueling and intense involving multiple DPP Counsel. DPP Counsel prepared drafts of the presentations in advance, circulated the drafts among DPP Counsel, and revised the drafts multiple times. DPP Counsel held practice mock presentations in Washington, D.C., where DPP Counsel collaborated on mock trial and other case strategy. DPP Counsel prepared polished PowerPoint decks and clips of deposition testimony and recorded faux deposition testimony to test the jury's perception of certain witness testimony. DPP Counsel also prepared video presentations by some of their key expert witnesses, along with matching PowerPoint presentations. Each of these parts of the mock

trial took dozens of hours to prepare, refine, and finalize. Most DPP Counsel attended the mock trial in person in the Bay Area, while some were able to tune in remotely. During the exercise, DPP Counsel presented Plaintiffs' and Defendants' openings, arguments (including video testimony consisting of both deposition clips and video testimony prepared specifically for this exercise), and closings. Following the presentation, the trial consultants met with the jurors in smaller groups to discuss their impressions and understanding of the case. Then the jurors were left to deliberate and come to a conclusion about liability and damages.

their trial strategy. Following the mock trial, for example, DPP Counsel were convinced from the jurors' responses to the presentations that the verdict form must be simplified and the jury instructions must include certain wording regarding the definition of the reverse payment. Following each exercise, the jury consultants provided reports including the results of the exercise as well as the consultants' observations of case themes and problems and proposals for how to move forward incorporating lessons learned. As a result of this mock trial as well as the other jury focus group exercise, DPP Class Counsel were fully prepared to try this case without any other plaintiff group in the event that the other plaintiff groups settled.

#### iii. Trial Strategy / Order of Proof

- 134. Preparation of an Order of Proof was a complex and multi-pronged task in this case. DPP Counsel recognized that one or more of the other plaintiff groups could reach a settlement with Defendants at any time—the fact that EPP lead counsel reached a settlement on the eve of trial in pharmaceutical antitrust case *Zetia* in the spring of 2023 further served to bolster that conclusion. As a result, to best protect Direct Purchaser Class Members' interests, DPP Counsel prepared to try the case alongside all five plaintiff groups, some combination (but not all) plaintiff groups, and by themselves without the involvement of any other plaintiff group.
- 135. Plaintiffs began working on a preliminary Order of Proof in late 2022. These early drafts focused on the Order in which to call witnesses at trial, the subject matter of expected testimony, the expected length of testimony, and whether a witness was subject to the Court's jurisdiction for a trial subpoena. Early drafts of the Order of Proof anticipated that the reverse

payment, NGR, and TAF claims would be tried together. Following the Court's summary judgment rulings, the Order of Proof was revised to focus only on the reverse payment claims.

- 136. Between January and late-May 2023 (when DPPs reached the Settlement with Gilead), DPP Counsel participated in countless discussions with other plaintiffs' counsel regarding the Order of Proof. These discussions focused on: (i) which witnesses to call during Plaintiffs' case in chief; (ii) whether to call adverse witnesses as part of Plaintiffs' case in chief (and if so, which witnesses); (iii) the order in which witnesses should be called during Plaintiffs' case in chief; (iv) which of Plaintiffs' experts should be called during Plaintiffs' case in chief; (v) which witnesses' deposition testimony should be played to the jury; and (vi) how much time to allocate to the testimony of each witness. Underlying these discussions were Plaintiffs' counsel's views regarding the facts and documents Plaintiffs needed to get into evidence to prove their claims, and the most persuasive and convincing way for Plaintiffs to present their case to a jury.
- 137. Not surprisingly, the five different plaintiff groups did not agree on all of these items. Most notably, there was disagreement regarding whether to call adverse witnesses as part of Plaintiffs' case-in-chief (and, if so, which witnesses), the order in which witnesses should be called, and the plaintiff experts who needed to testify at trial. These discussions continued until the day DPPs reached agreement on the material terms of the Settlement with Gilead.

#### iv. Fact Witness Examinations

238. DPP Counsel devoted significant time and effort crafting fact witness examinations for trial, including identifying potential exhibits. Amongst the broader plaintiff groups, preparation of initial fact witness examinations, including potential exhibit designations, were assigned to an attorney or group of attorneys well-versed in the topics the witness was expected to testify on. Examinations were then circulated for review and comment to counsel with expertise in the subject matter the witness would be testifying on. DPP Counsel were responsible for drafting certain witness examinations and were well represented on the teams responsible for reviewing and commenting on witness examinations.

139. DPP Counsel separately drafted fact witness examinations (including identifying potential exhibits) for trial to guard against a scenario in which one or more plaintiff groups settled out of the case prior to or during the early stages of trial. These examinations were assigned to DPP Counsel knowledgeable of the subject matter on which the witness was expected to testify.

#### v. Expert Witness Preparation and Examinations

- 140. Expert preparation for trial was a time-intensive endeavor given the number of experts expected to testify at trial.
- 141. To prepare DPPs' expert economist, Dr. Russell Lamb, DPP Counsel drafted an outline of topics encompassing direct and anticipated cross-examination topics, identified documents that they expected Dr. Lamb to see during his testimony, and scheduled multiple prep sessions during which DPP Counsel discussed with Dr. Lamb the testimony topics and documents.
- 142. DPP Counsel played a crucial role in preparing the experts who were jointly retained by the plaintiff groups. As with other pretrial projects, DPP Counsel took the lead as to certain shared experts or portions of expert testimony, which involved drafting outlines, circulating those drafts for input from the expert and other plaintiff groups, and identifying exhibits. As to the Plaintiffs' experts for whom DPP Counsel did not take the lead, DPP Counsel actively participated in their preparation.
- 143. DPP Counsel actively participated in the preparation of the outline of topics for direct and cross-examination for Professor McGuire and represented the DPP Classes in multiple virtual meetings, as well as three full-day in-person meetings in Austin, Texas with Professor McGuire with other plaintiff groups' counsel. DPP Counsel reviewed and discussed the strategy as to Professor McGuire's testimony over the course of dozens of hours with the expert and other plaintiff groups, commented on draft outlines and questions, including as to anticipated cross-examination topics and questions.
- 144. DPP Counsel actively participated in developing, refining, and discussing the outlines and documents for Mr. Lentz' and Dr. Caldwell's testimony, providing both technical

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patent law advice and strategic trial guidance to the expert witnesses in cooperation with counsel representing the other plaintiff groups.

- DPP Counsel further participated in drafting, revising, researching, and finalizing outlines, identifying exhibits, and discussing testimony and trial strategy with the experts and counsel from the other plaintiff groups. This involved many hours of drafting and revising, document review, and meetings both with and without the expert witnesses.
- 146. DPP Counsel also actively prepared for the cross-examinations of Defendants' experts whom DPP Counsel expected to testify at trial. Those DPP Counsel who prepared the Plaintiffs' shared experts on similar topics were typically the counsel to prepare the crossexaminations for Defendants' experts. For example, the DPP Counsel that participated in the preparation of Mr. Lentz and Dr. Caldwell also took the lead role in drafting a cross-examination for one of the defense experts expected to testify as to the patent-related issues in the case. For defense experts whose outlines were not primarily prepared by DPP Counsel, DPP Counsel were actively involved in the review, refinement, and research to finalize those outlines before DPPs' settlement with Gilead.

#### **Client Witness Preparation** vi.

- 147. DPP Counsel also worked extensively with Brian Scott, the KPH corporate representative designated to testify at trial to prepare him for his trial testimony. These efforts included drafting, researching, and revising an outline covering potential topics he might expect to testify about at trial, providing copies of potential exhibits he could expect to or might see at trial, and having several calls with Mr. Scott to discuss his direct examination and potential cross examination topics. Mr. Scott dedicated over 40 hours to his preparation for trial.
- 148. Mr. Scott had booked his travel and was preparing to begin traveling from upstate New York to San Francisco when DPPs reached a settlement with Gilead. Ready to testify, Mr. Scott was literally awaiting his flight at the airport when he received the call that the DPPs had settled with Gilead.

#### vii. Jury Selection

- 149. DPP Counsel began working with the trial consultants months in advance of trial to prepare for jury selection. The trial consultants provided reports following those exercises and independent of those exercises regarding the case and which jurors were likely to understand, support, and/or not support Plaintiffs' claims.
- 150. As discussed, the jury consultants were actively involved in drafting and refining the voir dire questions and the juror questionnaires. Once the juror questionnaire was finalized and submitted to the Court, DPP Counsel worked closely with the trial consultants to review and process the responses received from the jury pool as they came in. Those responses were compiled by the trial consultants in a user-friendly spreadsheet that identified jurors, who were likely to be excused for cause or for another reason, and that identified the jurors as very desirable or undesirable. DPP Counsel built upon this spreadsheet and relied upon the analysis to inform DPP Counsel's approach to the hearing preceding jury selection in which the parties' counsel discussed jurors that would be excused. DPP Counsel then relied on the analysis to inform their approach in discussions with the other plaintiff groups regarding the strategy for voir dire.
- 151. During jury selection, DPP Counsel had a solid understanding of which jurors were likely to be adverse to their claims and friendly to the defenses, which were likely to be friendly to their claims and adverse to the defenses, and which were likely to be relatively neutral. This understanding and ongoing strategy discussions with the trial consultants, in cooperation with the other plaintiff groups, informed their approach to the Plaintiffs' strategy during jury selection.

#### viii. Opening Statements

- 152. DPP Counsel reached agreement with Gilead on the material terms of the Settlement hours prior to opening statements. Had the Settlement not been reached, DPP Counsel were fully prepared to make both a short and a full opening statement (in case the other plaintiffs had settled).
- 153. With respect to the all-plaintiff group opening statement given by EPP Counsel, DPP Counsel provided feedback regarding the topics to cover and reviewed and commented on

the outline and slides. DPP Counsel also coordinated with EPPs, Retailers, United, and IHPPs to ensure each group's opening statements were consistent and non-duplicative.

154. Along with other plaintiff groups, DPP Counsel met and conferred with Defendants' counsel regarding Defendants' objections to the slides Plaintiffs intended to show the jury during opening statements and Plaintiffs' objections to the slides Defendants intended to show the jury during opening statements.

#### III. THE SETTLEMENT AND SETTLEMENT NEGOTIATIONS

#### A. Negotiations and Mediation

- 155. The Settlement was reached after several rounds of hard-fought negotiations assisted by Kenneth Feinberg, one of the nation's top mediators.
- 156. Mr. Feinberg was not the first mediator utilized by the parties in this matter. On December 15, 2021, the parties participated in mediation assisted by Professor Eric Green. Those efforts were unsuccessful.
- 157. With trial looming and the benefit of the Court's rulings on class certification, summary judgment, and other pretrial issues in hand, the parties agreed to engage in a second mediation to attempt to resolve the matter. On May 8, 2023, DPP Counsel participated in an inperson mediation with Gilead in New York City, assisted by Mr. Feinberg. After several hours of negotiations, the parties terminated the mediation session without having reached a settlement.
- 158. Negotiations between DPP Counsel and Gilead continued in the weeks following the failed mediation session with the assistance of Mr. Feinberg. After exchanging innumerable phone calls and emails with Mr. Feinberg, including throughout the late hours during the evening of May 24 and early morning hours of May 25, DPP Counsel and Gilead finally reached agreement on the material terms of a Settlement on the morning of May 25, 2023—just hours before opening statements—and executed a Memorandum of Understanding shortly thereafter.
- 159. Prior to opening statements in the jury trial, counsel for DPPs and Gilead informed the Court in-chambers that they had reached agreement on the terms of a Settlement.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> Counsel for various other plaintiff groups were also present at the May 8, 2023 mediation.

- Settlement Agreement and provided that draft to Gilead. DPPs and Gilead exchanged drafts and revisions to the Settlement Agreement for more than six weeks (in part because counsel for Gilead was still in trial), at which point the parties concluded they were at an impasse regarding certain release language. They agreed to submit the dispute regarding that lone issue to binding mediation before Mr. Feinberg. DPP Counsel prepared a mediation statement in support of their position and submitted it to Mr. Feinberg in advance of the mediation.
- 161. The binding mediation before Mr. Feinberg occurred on July 18, 2023, and Mr. Feinberg issued his opinion on the matter that same day. After exchanging additional drafts and revisions, the parties executed the Settlement Agreement on July 24, 2023.
- 162. Neither DPP Counsel nor I discussed with Gilead the request for attorneys' fees, costs, and expenses or a representative-plaintiff service award until after all substantive elements of the Settlement were agreed upon.

#### **B.** Benefits of the Settlement

Account for the benefit of the previously certified Classes. After Notice and Administration Expenses<sup>8</sup> and attorneys' fees, costs, and expenses, and any representative plaintiff service award approved by the Court are deducted, all amounts remaining in the Escrow Account will be distributed to Direct Purchaser Class Members that submit a valid Claim Form in accordance with the Allocation Plan approved by the Court; no amount will revert to Gilead.

#### C. Preliminary Approval

164. While DPPs were negotiating the final long-form Settlement Agreement, DPP Counsel were also drafting the motion for preliminary approval, supporting memorandum, and exhibits in support, including the plan of allocation, the escrow agreement, and the notice documents. DPP Counsel also consulted with Dr. Lamb and the claims administrator to obtain

<sup>8</sup> The Settlement Administrator's fees for notice and administration are capped at \$60,000, and Dr. Lamb's office has advised me that they estimate fees of between \$15,000 and \$20,000 to oversee the allocation in accordance with the Allocation Plan.

their declarations to be filed with the preliminary approval motion. DPP Counsel drafted the motion, memorandum, and exhibits in support, then refined those documents based on feedback from other DPP Counsel, the claims administrator, and or Dr. Lamb.

- 165. DPP Counsel worked to refine these documents until after the binding mediation before Mr. Feinberg and after the final long-form Settlement Agreement was executed. The day the agreement was executed, DPP Counsel sent Gilead all the exhibits to the Settlement Agreement and a confidential side letter regarding diminution and termination of the Settlement. The parties negotiated revisions to those documents until they were final.
- 166. KPH filed DPPs' motion for preliminary approval of the settlement with Gilead on August 9, 2023. ECF No. 2086. The motion provided for notice similar to the notice plan in connection with the BMS Settlement: direct mail notice, digital notice, and a settlement website, as well as direct telephone calls from DPP Counsel to Class Members who have not submitted claims. The motion also argued that another opportunity to opt out was unnecessary.
- 167. In response to the Court's order, DPPs provided supplemental briefing as to several topics including the number of DPP Class Members, escrow expenses, evidence to support the attorneys' fee amounts requested, whether a second opportunity to opt out should be provided to Class Members, additional media notice, and language in the notices. Order re Supplemental Briefing, ECF No. 2091; Supplemental Briefing, ECF No. 2095.
- 168. DPP Counsel presented unopposed argument in support of the motion for preliminary approval on September 21, 2023.
- 169. The Court granted DPPs' motion for preliminary approval of its class action settlement with Gilead on September 25, 2023. ECF Nos. 2109, 2110. In doing so, the Court slightly modified language in the notices, did not order another opportunity for Class Members to opt out, and required additional media notice to be provided.

#### IV. NOTICE AND SETTLEMENT ADMINISTRATION

#### A. The Notice Program

170. In accordance with the Court's order, DPPs immediately got to work implementing the notice program. Within 14 days of the Court's preliminary approval order, the

claims administrator mailed the detailed notice and a pre-populated claim form to each identified DPP Class Member, caused a press release to be published, and caused a case-specific settlement website to go live. DPP Counsel worked closely with the claims administrator to ensure that the notices complied with the Court's order and that all Class Members were accounted for in the mailings.

- 171. Two weeks later, the claims administrator caused the digital notice to be published as provided in the Court's order. Two weeks after that (42 days after the preliminary approval order), the claims administrator caused reminder notices to be mailed to Class Members. DPP Counsel again worked closely with the claims administrator to ensure that these steps complied with the Court order.
- Five mailed direct notices were returned as undeliverable to KCC. After 172. conducting an address search and finding no other addresses to re-mail the notice, KCC notified DPP Counsel. DPP Counsel contacted four of those Class Members through their counsel, and DPP counsel contacted the fifth Class Member via email and a follow-up telephone call to confirm receipt of the email, providing Class Members with PDFs of both the long-form notice and their specific pre-populated claim form.
- In accordance with the preliminary approval order, DPP Counsel began calling Class Members who have not submitted claim forms by November 20, 2023. Additionally, a second reminder notice will be mailed by the claims administrator by December 4, 2023.

#### **B.** DPP Class Members' Reaction to the Settlement

As of this submission, counsel for DPPs have received no objections to the Settlement, nor do DPPs expect to receive any objections to the Settlement, especially in light of the monetary relief provided to the DPP Classes and the outcome of EPPs, IHPPs, and United's trial.

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#### V. ATTORNEYS' FEES, COSTS, AND EXPENSES AND SERVICE AWARD

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<sup>9</sup> The percentage of recovery was calculated as follows: \$75,000,000 / \$246,750,000 = .3039. Taking the BMS Settlement into account, the percentage of recovery for the entire litigation was

calculated as follows: \$75,000,000 / (\$10,800,000 + \$246,750,000) = .291.

## A. The Requested Attorneys' Fees Award

The 39,091 hours DPP Counsel spent vigorously prosecuting this case in the face 175. of the skilled and exhaustive efforts of Gilead's counsel from three of the nation's largest law firms resulted in the \$246,750,000 Settlement for the benefit of the DPP Class.

176. DPP Counsel prosecuted this novel and complex antitrust action on a contingencyfee basis against some of the nation's largest and most-profitable pharmaceutical companies. Since the filing of this litigation, Defendants have maintained (and continue to maintain) that they did nothing wrong, and that DPPs' claims lack merit and are legally unsupported. Given Defendants' deep pockets, the nature of the claims at issue, and the litigation record from similar cases, DPP Counsel knew when taking this matter on that the outcome was uncertain and there was a real chance they would receive no recovery on behalf of the Classes for their efforts.

177. Co-Lead Class Counsel and other DPP Counsel have significant experience prosecuting complex antitrust class actions. Their skill is reflected in the excellent Settlement they obtained on behalf of the Classes and the fact that they, in the face of stiff opposition, defeated multiple motions to dismiss, prevailed on a motion for class certification, defeated Gilead's request for appellate review of the Court's class certification ruling, and litigated this case to the eve of opening statements before a jury.

While the Court-approved notice documents notified DPP Class Members of DPP 178. Counsel's intent to seek a fee award of up to 33 \(\frac{1}{3}\)% of the Settlement Fund (or \$82,250,000), DPP Counsel request an attorneys' fee award of \$75,000,000, which represents 30.39 percent of the \$246,750,000 Settlement Fund (or 29.1% of the total benefits DPP Counsel secured in the litigation). The DPP Class is comprised of sophisticated Class Members. None of the DPP Class Members have objected to this request. Further, the DPP Class Members with whom I have spoken directly regarding this request (including the 3 largest Class Members comprising over

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90% of Truvada and Atripla sales, that is, the three largest national wholesalers) have informed us they do not object to our fee petition.

A lodestar cross-check confirms the reasonableness of the requested award. In accordance with the Court's September 18, 2019 Modified Order Re Protocol for Common Benefit Work and Expenses (ECF 176), Ms. Nast and I mandated that all common benefit time was approved by one of Co-Lead Class Counsel and required all DPP Counsel firms to submit monthly common benefit time and expense submissions. As Co-Lead Class Counsel, I thoroughly reviewed all DPP Counsel time submissions, and Ms. Nast and I made reductions and deletions of time as appropriate. Excluding time spent administering the BMS Settlement, drafting this fee petition, and time from attorneys with a lodestar of less than \$20,000 on the case, DPP Counsel spent 39,091 hours advancing the litigation through October 31, 2023, for a collective lodestar of \$34,281,869. As such, the requested fee award of \$75,000,000 represents a reasonable lodestar multiplier of 2.19. The following chart details the collective lodestar of each of the DPP Counsel firms:

Firm	Hours	Lodestar	
Roberts Law Firm US, PC	21,339.4	\$17,108,005	
Nastlaw LLC	10,798.9	\$9,430,081	
Hausfeld LLP	5,535.1	\$6,341,913	
Law Offices of Francis O Scarpulla	1418.2	\$1,401,870	
Total	39,091.60	\$34,281,869	

180. As confirmed below (for Roberts Law Firm US, PC) and in the attached declarations from each of the other DPP Counsel firms, 10 the hourly rates reported and used to determine the collective lodestar are the current usual and customary rates set for each individual, reflect what would be charged to a fee-paying client in the private legal marketplace for complex litigation, and in line with the rates charged by other firms that handle complex antitrust class actions. The time submitted by DPP Counsel firms was also subject to an extensive audit and review by Co-Lead Class Counsel.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>10</sup> See the Declarations of Dianne M. Nast, Michael D. Hausfeld, and Francis O. Scarpulla, attached as Exhibits 3, 4, and 5, respectively.

### **B.** Unreimbursed Costs and Expenses

181. DPP Counsel incurred \$5,387,478.45 in costs and expenses in advancing this matter. They previously received reimbursement for \$2,500,000 of those costs and expenses in connection with the BMS Settlement. They now request reimbursement for the remaining \$2,887,478.45 in unreimbursed costs and expenses. These costs and expenses were advanced in connection with travel to hearings, trial, and witness preparation; court reporting and videographer services for hearings, depositions, and/or trial; expert witnesses; trials vendors and consultants; legal research; mediation (with two separate mediators); copying and mailing; service; court fees; and other customary litigation costs and expenses. As confirmed below (for Roberts Law Firm, US PC) and in the attached declarations from each of the other DPP Counsel firms, these costs and expenses are based on the books and records of the firms and represent an accurate recordation of the costs and expenses incurred in connection with the litigation. Below is a summary of the costs and expenses incurred:

Description	Amount		
Travel (airfare, ground transportation,	\$96,918.43		
parking, etc.)	Ψ70,710.43		
Hotels	\$130,076.91		
Meals	\$8,146.40		
Document Hosting / Review Platform	\$284,517.23		
Transcripts and Deposition Costs	\$119,616.04		
Experts / Consultant Fees	\$4,489,235.08		
Electronic Research	\$118,631.71		
Photocopies / Printing	\$15,819.83		
Mediation Costs	\$91,669		
Court Fees	\$5,668.63		
Service of Process	\$2,384.65		
Postage/FedEx/Messenger	\$2,203.92		
Miscellaneous Costs	\$22,590.62		
BMS Settlement Reimbursement	(\$2,500,000)		
Total Unreimbursed Costs and Expenses	\$2,887,478.45		

### C. The Class Representative Service Award

182. KPH, as the only class representative for DPPs, relentlessly advocated for the Classes throughout this litigation. In addition to the defensive document discovery and trial preparation described in detail above, KPH worked with McKesson to obtain the assignment and

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reviewed the complaint. See Excerpt of Charles Aquilina Deposition Transcript, ECF No. 1364-1 at 14-15.

183. A \$40,000 award for KPH's service to the DPP Classes is reasonable and appropriate in light of its service to the DPP Classes.

#### VI. ROBERTS LAW FIRM US, PC TIME, COSTS, AND EXPENSES

- As Co-Lead Class Counsel, I co-led all aspects of the litigation from its inception through the Settlement. Attorneys from Roberts Law Firm US, PC ("RLF") and I actively participated in all aspects of the litigation including, but not limited to, pre-filing research and investigation, drafting complaints, managing DPP Counsel, coordinating with counsel from the other plaintiff groups, responding to Defendants' motions to dismiss and to compel arbitration, serving and responding to written discovery, reviewing documents, preparing and filing motions to compel, taking and defending depositions, retaining and coordinating with experts, and briefing class certification and various other pretrial submissions. RLF was also heavily involved in trial preparation including, but not limited to, working with jury consultants on setting up two focus group sessions and a mock trial and coordinating with other plaintiff groups on trial strategy, the verdict form, jury instructions, deposition designations, trial exhibits, the order of proof, witness examinations, preparing expert witnesses to testify at trail, and other trial-related matters. During the prosecution of this case, there were multiple and lengthy periods of time where litigation was so intense that a number of highly experienced attorneys from RLF were working full-time or virtually full-time on this case alone. The resources required of this matter were so significant that RLF was forced to turn down opportunities to work on other cases to devote the resources required to effectively advance this matter.
- 185. RLF prosecuted this case on a contingent-fee basis with no guarantee of recovery. From inception to October 31, 2023, excluding time spent administering the BMS settlement, on the Fee Petition, and from attorneys with less than \$20,000 in lodestar, RLF spent 21,339.4 hours advancing the litigation. The total lodestar for RLF is \$17,108,005. The summary below includes the name, position, years of experience, current hourly rate, time expended, and total lodestar of each person from RLF who worked on the litigation. The hourly rates shown are the current usual

and customary rates set by RLF and comparable to rates of similar firms who practice in the same area of law in the Bay Area. The information in this declaration regarding the time RLF attorneys and other professionals spent advancing the litigation was pulled from contemporaneous, daily time records maintained by the firm's timekeeping software. A summary including each timekeeper's name, position, current billing rate, and total lodestar broken down by activity code is attached as Exhibit 2. As Co-Lead Class Counsel, RLF will spend additional time responding to any objections to the Settlement, preparing for and participating in the final fairness hearing, addressing appeals (if any) regarding the Settlement, responding to DPP Class Members' inquiries regarding the Settlement, and overseeing administration of the Settlement, for which no further compensation will be paid.

Name	Position	Years of	Hourly	Hours	Lodestar
		Experience	Rate	Expended	
Michael Roberts	Partner	33	\$1040	3589.9	\$3,733,496.00
Karen Halbert	Partner	22	\$950	1277.5	\$1,213,625.00
Christopher	Partner	23	\$975	1063.2	\$1,036,620.00
Sanchez					
Stephanie Smith	Partner	19	\$900	1780.4	\$1,602,360.00
Erich Schork	Partner	17	\$860	3742.9	\$3,218,894.00
Sarah DeLoach	Partner	8	\$750	4042.4	\$3,031,800.00
Debra Josephson	Of Counsel	21	\$760	126.8	\$96,368.00
Rita Wang	Of Counsel	15	\$820	539.8	\$442,636.00
Kelly Rinehart	Associate	6	\$660	2005.3	\$1,323,498.00
Morgan Hunt	Associate	4	\$560	2203.6	\$1,234,016.00
April Burton	Paralegal	23	\$170	122.4	\$20,808.00
Angelicia Grissom	Paralegal	8	\$170	905.2	\$153,884.00
Total				21,339.4	\$17,108,005

186. RLF incurred \$1,072,798.86 in unreimbursed out-of-pocket costs and litigation expenses in relation to the litigation. The summary below includes an itemized description of the costs and litigation expenses incurred by my firm. These costs and litigation expenses were necessary for the efficient and effective prosecution of the litigation. The costs and litigation expenses records were prepared from receipts, expense vouchers, check records, and other documents and are an accurate record of the costs and litigation expenses. The costs and litigation

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Description Amount Travel (airfare, ground transportation, \$43,081.50 parking, etc.) Hotels \$61,027.94 Meals (during travel) \$4,012.89 Document Hosting / Review Platform \$23,520.40 Electronic Research \$66,339.20 Transcripts and Deposition Costs \$423.15 Service of Process \$1953.40 Court Fees \$4,559.00 Postage/FedEx \$51.37 Litigation Fund Contributions<sup>11</sup> \$1,811,402.55 Miscellaneous Costs \$11,427.45 BMS Settlement Reimbursement (\$955,000) Total \$1,072,798.86

expenses are all of a type that, in my view, would normally be charged to a fee-paying client in

187. As the above summary indicates, RLF contributed \$1,811,402.55 to the DPP Litigation Fund to cover shared DPP litigation expenses, such as fees for DPPs' expert economist and fees for DPPs' trial consultants. An itemized summary of the costs and litigation expenses paid by the DPP Litigation Fund is included in the Declaration of Dianne Nast attached as Exhibit 3. RLF also separately contributed \$500,000 directly to the All-Plaintiff-Group Litigation Fund maintained by the EPPs. RLF was reimbursed \$955,000.00 in connection with the BMS Settlement.

188. The All-Plaintiff-Group Litigation Fund was established to cover shared expenses for the five plaintiff groups involved in the case, including the fees of shared experts and trial consultants, the costs of a shared document review platform, and depositions costs (transcripts, videographer, etc.). DPP Counsel contributed \$1,816,410.96 to the All-Plaintiff-Group Litigation Fund. The DPPs' contributions were used to pay the following: shared expert / consultant fees (\$1,546,700.39) document hosting / review platform fees (\$226,399.85), deposition costs (transcripts, videographer, etc.) (\$43,310.72). These amounts are based on invoices, check

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>11</sup> This figure includes RLF's contributions to the DPP Litigation Fund and the \$500,000 RLF paid directly to the All-Plaintiff-Group Litigation Fund.

# records, and other documents. These costs and litigation expenses were necessary for the efficient and effective prosecution of the litigation and, in my view, all were the type that would normally be charged to a fee-paying client in the private legal marketplace. I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct. Executed on November 21, 2023, in Dallas, TX. /s/ Michael L. Roberts Michael L. Roberts **ROBERTS LAW FIRM US, PC** 1920 McKinney Avenue, Suite 700 Dallas, TX 75201 Telephone: (501) 821-5575 mikeroberts@robertslawfirm.us Co-Lead Counsel for the Direct Purchaser Classes

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