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EASTERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS

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GENERAL ORDER NO. 91-12

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS

ORDER ON BANKRUPTCY STATUS OF THE CELOTEX CORPORATION

It appearing that on October 12, 1990, THE CELOTEX CORPORATION a defendant in numerous asbestos-related cases in this district, filed a petition pursuant to Chapter 11 of Title 11, United States Code, in the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Middle District of Florida, Tampa Division, thereby effecting the automatic stay provision of 11 U.S.C. Section 362, and,

It also appearing that the U. S. District Court in the Eastern District of Texas has previously directed that all claims against other asbestos defendants found to be seeking relief under Chapter 11 bankruptcy have been ordered severed for the purpose of administrative closing and assignment to the inactive docket of the Court and,

It further appearing that severing and administratively closing all claims relating to THE CELOTEX CORPORATION would also benefit the Court in respect to its statistical reporting and case management procedures;

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that, pursuant to Rule 21, Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, all claims, counterclaims, cross claims and third-party claims brought by or against THE CELOTEX CORPORATION in

all pending asbestos civil actions in this court are hereby SEVERED from the main actions; and

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that such severed claims shall be and are hereby ADMINISTRATIVELY CLOSED and assigned to the inactive docket of this court.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that all claims against THE CELOTEX CORPORATION shall be restored to the active docket of the court when the automatic stay provisions have been vacated pursuant to the provisions of 11 U.S.C. Section 362(c)(2)(A)(B)(C).

IT IS ORDERED that the same procedures shall be followed concerning any future CELOTEX CORPORATION claims severed from asbestos cases.

Signed this 20th day of ~~April~~^{May}, 1991.

FOR THE COURT:


Robert M. Parker
Chief Judge
