

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
DISTRICT OF MARYLAND

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MEMO TO COUNSEL RE:

*In re: Smith & Nephew Birmingham Hip Resurfacing (BHR) Hip Implant  
Products Liability Litigation, MDL 17-md-2775*

Dear Counsel:

This will confirm the results of our status conference in court today.

Regarding the status of a discovery plan, both sides will submit position statements (no more than five pages) by **September 15, 2017**, for discussion at the September 27, 2017 status conference, currently scheduled for 10:30 a.m. in Courtroom 7D.

The October status conference will be held on **November 1, 2017 at 4:00 p.m.**, instead of October 25, 2017, as previously scheduled. Counsel are free to suggest that this or any other status conference be conducted by telephone rather than in person, depending on the issues to be discussed.

The revisions to Case Management Order No. 2 are satisfactory. The Order, with minor edits, is being entered today.

Despite the informal nature of this letter, it is an Order of the Court and shall be docketed as such.

Sincerely yours,

/S/

Catherine C. Blake  
Chief Judge